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FURNACE FROZE UP

New Superintendent of Nelson Smelter Worked Only One Shift.

HEADLEY NOW IN CHARGE

Demand for Good Mining Properties and Stocks Increasing - Poorman Mill to Resume Shortly - Bond on the Granite Will be Taken Up.

NELSON, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—Up at the Hall Mines smelter things have been a little mixed the past two days. Of course every one here is interested in the smelter and its work, and when Paul Johnson resigned every one was anxious to know who would take his place. The directors from abroad decided upon F. S. Nichols, announcing it the first of the week. He took charge September 1st, in the morning. In the evening he resigned. During his brief management the pride of Paul Johnson's furnace, the pride of the Nelsonites, froze up, owing, it is said, to a lack of lime rock. It is said Mr. Nichols was ill and could not superintend the work personally. At all events, Mr. Robert Headley of this city took charge yesterday morning, and today the yellow smoke, beloved of Nelsonites, floats on the breeze. It is said Mr. Headley is superintendent pro tem, as a man from London is to come on. Mr. Headley was in charge at the Pilot Bay smelter before coming to Nelson.

Mining matters generally are brightening up. The depressing effect of the Klondike has not made itself manifest here. Several large transactions are on the tapis. Brokers report the sale of many blocks of stock, and say inquiries for reliable stocks are rapidly increasing. The streets are so crowded that at night, progress is difficult on the main street.

Lee Davenport was in from the Poorman today. He reports that things were looking brighter in the mine. They have not yet started up the mill. It would have been running long ago, but for the scarcity of water. As soon as the fall rains have had an innings, the mill will start. The bondholders of the much quoted Granite claim on Eagle creek are doing a great deal of development work, much being accomplished the past two weeks. Ground sluicing has been given most attention. They have uncovered six feet of magnificent ore, which is two feet wider than the original strike. The last assay, said to be an average of the oxides, gave a result of 36 ounces, 16 pennyweights of gold, valued at \$736.50 and 17 ounces in silver, valued at \$3.04, making a total of \$744. Mr. Andrew Jensen, who is one of the bondholders, says that at the time stated the bond will be taken up and the purchase price paid down. The bondholders are more than willing to sell their bargain.

WILL SELL ALL ITS LOTS.

Government to Have an Auction Next Month - Nelson News Notes. NELSON, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—During the early part of next month Auctioneer Waterman will auction off the lots belonging to the government within the corporate limits of the city. Every parcel and piece of land, with the exception of block 49, will be sold. This will be good news for the squatters, who had begun to experience that "hope deferred maketh the heart sick." The squatters' rights will be recognized just as they have always been. Many outside parties, speculators, etc., will attend the sale, and inquiries are made every day by mail regarding the government sale.

Court Convened Tuesday. Mr. Justice Drake will convene court here next Tuesday, Monday being a legal holiday. The docket so far arranged provides for but one case upon the day of convening, and that is an appeal from the small debts courts under the title of Strong vs. Ferguson, involving a contract on the Excelsior mining claim. There are several other matters of importance to come up for hearing which have not yet been docketed.

Accident to a Freight Train. Last night, between Five Mile Point and Summit station, an accident occurred to the incoming freight train. Two cars jumped the track, turning them over on the hillside and dumping a quantity of merchandise, a considerable portion of which was of a perishable nature, down the slope. Two other cars jumped the track, but did not leave the roadbed. The passenger train was delayed, but no one was hurt but those who waited vainly for their mail as they have so often in the past, and as they will probably continue to do in the future unless some precautions are taken.

East Kootenay Farm Lands. T. G. Proctor left today for East Kootenay, where he will examine the extensive lands owned by the East Kootenay Valley company, which he states will be put on the market soon. Mr. Proctor states there is a lively demand for farming lands in British Columbia and that the passage of the C. P. R. through this country will open it for settlement. While not much is known, comparatively, of that part of the country it is known that the land is of the best. W. H. Downing is the resident manager of the company. He has built himself a home in this city in the Hume addition, where he has installed his family. The offices of the company will be on Baker street, in the block adjoining the Mara block. He has had 30 years experience in this line of business and comes from Hill, England, where he followed the same business.

Persons. Mesdames Galbraith and Richardson, late of San Francisco, California, have opened an up-to-date beauty parlor in Nelson. George S. Beer and wife have returned to Nelson from an extended trip to various points of interest on the C. P. R. line. It was a wedding trip and they seem to have enjoyed it immensely. Seneca G. Ketchum and wife are in the city from Deer Park.

Nelson's Financial Statement. NELSON, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—That the financial showing of Nelson is good is shown by the following report submitted by City Clerk Seely to the council

last night. The revenue was anticipated a little. The receipts were: Licenses, \$4,596; police court fines, \$732.15; water rates, \$696.50; dog tax, \$117; miscellaneous, \$245—total, \$6,435.65. Disbursements: Sidewalks, \$3,290.67; plant and tools, \$222.91; printing and stationery, \$671.82; salaries, \$1,506.81; fire department, \$770.54; streets, \$3,498.58; water works, \$6,211.19; special police, \$56.85; interest, \$67.10; lockup, \$1,259.40; health, \$58.25; legal expenses, \$220; miscellaneous, \$3,325.75—total, \$18,188.97.

Another Bank at Nelson. NELSON, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—Last Sunday General Manager Wilkie, of the Imperial Bank of Canada, paid a visit to this city. A branch of the Imperial is to be established in Nelson immediately.

SHIPPED TO SWANSEA AGAIN.

Nelson Smelter Sent 50 Tons of Blister Copper to Swansea, Wales. NELSON, Sept. 4.—The Hall Mines smelter yesterday cleared through the custom house at this port a shipment of 50 tons of blister copper consigned to the refinery works at Swansea, Wales.

The mate shipments for last week were as follows: Trail smelter, matte, 59 1/2 tons; Hall Mines, Nelson, matte, 166 1/2 tons; total value, \$100,258.39. It is said that the Lucky Jim, in Kaslo district, has \$100,000 worth of concentrating ore blocked out.

Another rich strike is reported from Trout Lake City, on a hill to the right of Broken Hill. It is reported that assays from the lead run over 600 ounces in silver.

CUSTOMS RETURNS FOR AUGUST.

Nelson Reads the Lists for Collections - Mineral Exports, \$675,189.

NELSON, Sept. 4.—Customs collections for the month of August, as compiled by Collector Johnstone, place Nelson at the head of the list, Kaslo second, Rossland third, and Trail fourth. The figures are as follows: Nelson, \$10,086.47; Kaslo, \$6,684.83; Rossland, \$6,339.73; Trail, \$3,298.27; Nakusp, \$3,116.63; Waneta, \$1,450.43. The exports for the month were as follows: The mine, \$675,189, including 4,353 tons of ore and 717 tons of matte; the forest, \$2,066; animals, \$460; manufactures, \$5,796; total, \$685,544.

Tracklaying on Kootenay Railways.

Nelson, Sept. 4.—Six miles of track of standard gauge have been completed on the Columbia & Western railway from Robson to Trail, and there is a sufficient amount of steel on the ground to complete 15 miles of the road. The length of the road from Robson to Trail is 21 miles. Three miles of track have been laid on the Slovan river branch of the C. P. R. An engine is expected to arrive the middle of next week. Matters are to be pushed so that the road can be completed by October 15. So far 24 miles of road have been graded.

THE BEDLINGTON RAILWAY

A London Company Said to be Ready to Build It. Would Connect Kootenay Lake With a Branch of the Great Northern From Bonner's Ferry.

KASLO, Sept. 4.—George A. Keefe, chief engineer of the Nelson & Bedlington railroad, and T. A. Nation, son of the principal promoter of the scheme, were here Wednesday night. Mr. Keefe was asked concerning the report that building operations are to begin at once. He did not care to talk, preferring to let Mr. Nation, Sr., who will be here in a short time, do the talking. The Nelson & Bedlington will be built by a London company, which is ready to go ahead the moment the Great Northern starts on the other end, if it has not already made a beginning as reported from Bonner's Ferry. The surveys have all been completed and the line was ready for the graders some weeks ago.

Already little patches of snow have re-appeared on the mountains opposite Kaslo. From five to ten inches of snow fell at some of the higher mines early this week.

Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney visited Kaslo on Thursday. The governor was here on purely private business, and would not talk on the subject of politics or provincial affairs. On his retirement next November, Governor Dewdney expects to spend much of his time in Kootenay, as he has some valuable mining interests here.

L. A. Scowden, mining engineer of London, Eng., has taken up his headquarters in Kaslo. He represents London people for whom he will thoroughly investigate our resources.

Strike on the South Fork. Word reached here last night that two workmen on the South Fork wagon road had made a valuable find of galena in a large and well defined ledge. It was exposed by the grade of the road. They are said to have a considerable quantity of ore and it has every appearance of being good grade. The workmen located the ground. Several other finds are reported from that section.

The ore shipped from Kaslo last month amounted to 3,894 tons.

Chilian Navy Reduced. BUENOS AYRES, Sept. 4.—It is announced here that the Chilian government has decided to make retrenchments by disarming a portion of the navy.

LIKE SUFFERERS ONLY KNOW. R. Seriver, Carpenter of Hastings, Was a Great Sufferer From Kidney Disease and a Quick Cure—It is a Specific Remedy for a Specific Disease—It Dissolves and Eradicates All Solid Matter From the System—Is Safe and Permanent.

"For many years I have been troubled with kidney disease, necessitating the taking of much in the way of remedies. Two years ago they became so bad that I had to seek the aid of a physician. My urine was more like blood than anything else, and was very painful. Just at that time I began using South American Kidney Cure. It gave me immediate relief, and from that time till now I have had no difficulty. I can safely and honestly recommend this great remedy to all persons suffering from kidney trouble." Sold by McLean & Morrow.

THE DUAL ALLIANCE

All Europe Worried About the Franco-Russian Entente.

FRENCH ARE IN HYSTERIC

They Think the Czar Will Compel the Restoration of Alsace-Lorraine - Emperor William and the Czar Are Manoeuvring Enormous Armies.

[Copyrighted, 1897, by the Associated Press.] LONDON, Sept. 4.—Public attention still centers in the dual alliance, although it has been interrupted by the shoutings of Emperor William of Germany. England remains apathetic in spite of the fact that the center of gravity in European affairs has been shifted to St. Petersburg. Commenting upon the political situation the Spectator remarks: "The closer we look into the details of the arrangements binding Europe, the clearer it becomes that no one of the various powers can move without Russia. In some way or other every power except Russia is bound, either by expressed agreements or by interests, not to alter the status quo."

Queen Victoria and the Marquis of Salisbury, though fully aware of the French jealousy of England, placed great reliance upon the east-out English-tending influence of the czar in the east, and believe the alliance really makes for peace. Germany finds solace in the bitter chagrin of Emperor William's remark at St. Petersburg: "According to my conviction we skimmed the cream." Prince Bismarck too is softening German susceptibilities in explaining the weakness of the meaning of the words employed by the czar in France.

Paris Has Gone Crazy. Particularly in Paris the delirium continues. Russian names are given to every possible article of fashion and luxury. The streets, still gay with Russian colors, will be rebaptized. Wherever men see pictures of the czar, they lift their hats, and the statue of Strasburg on the Place de la Concorde is gayly decorated with floral wreaths in response to the almost universal conviction that Russia means to compel Strasburg's restoration.

Though the French manufacturers are already disappointed with not obtaining immense Russian contracts Russia certainly intends to do much to gratify French ambition. The first step announced in the establishment of the French legation at Tangiers to support French views in Africa, and France feels for the first time since 1871 that she is strong enough to have her own way.

German Army Manoeuvres. Between the intervals of universal shouting for peace, the heads of various nations have been busy perfecting the effectiveness of their armies by the autumn manoeuvres. Emperor William paraded an army corps at Coblenz, Wurzburg and Nuremberg, upon the occasion of his visits to those cities, and today at Hamburg his majesty paraded four army corps before himself, the king, the King and Queen of Italy, the Grand Duke Nicholas of Russia, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, the Duke of Cambridge, Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia and many other notables.

Two Record Breaking Armies. The army manoeuvres proper do not begin until Monday next, when 143 battalions of infantry, 115 squadrons of cavalry, 111 batteries of artillery, 21 technical companies, and three companies of military scouts will be divided into two armies of Prussians and Bavarians. The Germans have actually mobilized a larger force than they had on the French border in 1870 within 10 days of the declaration of war, and the troops are in the very positions they would occupy if actually engaged for war today.

Though army manoeuvres on a grand scale are occurring in the Crimea, the czar at the Warsaw manoeuvres will witness operations of 4,500 officers and 122,000 men or 176 battalions of infantry, 172 squadrons of cavalry and 944 guns. The manoeuvres will be particularly directed towards solving the difficulty of supplying the troops with hot food on the field and in improving the bicycle, postal, telegraph and ambulance services.

French and English Rivalry. The French army manoeuvres, which will be held in the north of France, will bring two army corps together.

The British army manoeuvres, which finished today, near Arundel, and which furnished instructions to 20,000 men, have not called forth any particular comment from the military critics, except through complaints of the presence of too many boys in the ranks and the remark that the continental armies out-classed the British in organization.

BROKE HER COLLAR BONE. Grand Forks Lady Fell From the Sidewalk in the Dark.

GRAND FORKS, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—Last Monday evening as Mrs. Prybilski of this city was walking down the south side of Riverside avenue, in company with her husband and just as she had passed the White House hotel she stepped a little too far to one side and fell off the sidewalk, a distance of some six feet, breaking her collar bone in the fall. The night was pitch dark and raining. At this part of the sidewalk the walk is only about six feet wide, making it very dangerous on dark nights.

When Mrs. Prybilski fell to the ground she appeared at first not to be much hurt, but after going home she discovered that she was quite seriously injured, her body being a mass of bruises and her collarbone being broken. Her husband threatens to sue the city for damages for not having a railing along this big piece of walk.

As a matter of fact the city is not to blame for this accident, as the sidewalk lay flat, providing for the building of proper sidewalks, is not yet in force and the present sidewalks were built before the city was incorporated. However, much sympathy was felt here for Mrs. Prybilski at the time of her accident,

and her many friends in this city hope to see her around again shortly.

Assessment Too High. The regular meeting of the court of revision of this city will sit on the 22d inst., when all those property owners who think that they have been taxed too highly will have a chance to present their side of the case to the court. A lively time is expected on this occasion, as considerable dissatisfaction prevails here over the recent valuations put on the various properties.

The city bonds, which have been prepared in Spokane, arrived last evening. They are drawn for \$20,000. It is most likely that the city will borrow that sum immediately and start civic improvements here, such as waterworks, an electric light plant, etc.

ARRESTED FOR MURDER

John Taylor Caught in Sandon After a Four Years' Chase. He Killed an Arkansas Sheriff While Resisting Arrest—Last Payment on Alamo-Idaho Bond.

SANDON, Sept. 4.—John Taylor was arrested here Thursday by a detective for the murder of a sheriff in Arkansas, four years ago, while resisting arrest for cattle stealing. He was taken to Nelson, where the American officers are awaiting him. Taylor had been cooking at the Selkirk mine, and took his arrest very coolly. He made the damaging admission that he expected to be arrested, but not for murder. Another damaging feature in his case is that he is alleged to have several aliases. His whereabouts was located by his writing a letter on one of the letterheads of the Selkirk mine.

Ore shipments for the week were 707 tons. Sandon now boasts of having the most elegant, tastefully finished and best managed club in the province.

Telegrams have kept pouring in all day making inquiries about the alleged cholera outbreak in Sandon. The dead absolutely no sickness of any kind here, and Captain Wiley only the other day pronounced Sandon the most healthful town in Kootenay.

Prospects Are Brightening. The panicky feeling which has prevailed here for a couple of weeks is about over and confidence is increasing with each day. More mines are packing down ore and taking up supplies than ever before. New work is commencing on every hand, experienced men are taking advantage of the prevailing conditions and getting in on the ground before the prospects for fall business are splendid.

An important strike has been made by Swan and Wright on the divide between Slovan lake and Cariboo creek. The vein is about ten feet in width with three feet of solid clean ore, worth \$150 per ton, and four feet of splendid concentrating ore.

Final Payment Made. The Scottish company which purchased the Slovan Milling company's concentrator and tramway and the Idaho, Alamo, Cumberland and other properties, amounting to 18 in all, made the last payment on the deal this week, although it was not due until the middle of next month. The total amount of the deal could not be learned, although it has been reported as high as \$400,000. Work is being pushed on the Idaho, and during the last month 20 carloads of ore have been run through the mill. The ore runs 270 ounces of silver and 46 per cent lead.

TRAIL EXPORTS FOR AUGUST. Smelter Shipped \$245,000 Worth of Matte Made From Rossland Ore.

TRAIL, Sept. 4.—[Special.]—The value of exports from the output of Trail during the month of August, was \$246,440, of which amount \$245,007 represented the product of the mines and \$1,433 was the value of other goods. The value of dutiable imports was \$10,778 on which \$2,910 was collected. Free imports amounted to \$5,389. The inland revenue collections for August were \$2,834.65.

A report was current last evening that the steamer Lytton had been burned to the water's edge somewhere on the Upper lake, but the rumor was disposed of when the boat steamed in this morning. She looks much the worse for her trip to the Big Bend country, and has several holes in her sides. She loaded freight and left again for the north.

Working the Little Giant. The Ontario operators, who recently bonded the Little Giant group, are now spending \$8,000 on that property, as the results of their recent visit. The bond, which is for \$7,500, comes due in three weeks. The property, which consists of the Little Giant, Tillie H., Little Vattie and Copper King formerly belonged to Jack Bates.

A number of ladies of Trail have decided to give a public ball next week for the benefit of J. Maloney, who has been confined to his bed for nearly three months. Mr. Maloney was in a serious runaway, which resulted in both legs being broken.

Monday being labor day, and a Dominion holiday, the banks and public offices will be closed. Peter Costello came down on this afternoon's train, and left on the steamer Nakusp, presumably for Nelson. Rev. Father Elvers of Rossland, came down this afternoon, and will hold service tomorrow in the new Roman Catholic church. Father Rivers has been named as administrator for the estate of Father Le May.

D. Tietjen was a passenger on the Nakusp today for up river parks of the site for the new school house is being graded. Rev. Dr. Wardrop of Guelph, Ont., is in town, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Corsan. Dr. Wardrop is Mrs. Corsan's father.

No Cholera in Sandon. It was reported yesterday that cholera had broken out in Sandon. Dr. George H. Duncan, secretary of the provincial board of health, who is at present in the city, telegraphed to Dr. Powers, the local health officer at Sandon, and received information last night that there was not only no cholera in the city, but that the health of the place was unusually good.

J. M. MILLER, President. G. A. POUNDER, Treasurer. M. F. CHESNUT, Secretary. Clough's Code Used.

The Primrose Gold Mining Co., Ltd. Capitalization 1,000,000 Shares. Fully Paid and Non-Assessable. 250,000 Treasury Shares. Par Value \$1 each. Only 14,000 Shares Left of First Issue. The directors have decided to limit the first and present issue of treasury stock to 50,000 shares, of this number only 14,000 left at the low price of Five Cents per share. When they have been sold it is further decided to raise the price to at least ten cents per share. This company owns five valuable claims. This company's properties have a wonderful surface showing. On the Denmark, one of the company's properties, a very important strike has just been made. The property is being worked night and day. All promoters' stock is pooled. A concentrator is now being erected on an adjoining property, and arrangements will be made to handle the company's ores. Address all communications to The Primrose Gold Mining Co., Ltd. 48 Columbia Avenue, Rossland, B. C.

Mineral City. Perfect Title. Level Townsite. Lots are now on the Market. Corner Lots on Columbia Avenue from \$125 to \$150. Inside Lots \$100. Other Lots from \$75 to \$100. Terms One-third cash, One-third in 3 Months, One-third in 6 Months. A Few Facts Concerning Mineral City. The mines on Cariboo Creek in the famous SLOVAN DISTRICT are tributary to Mineral City. A wagon road is now being built by the provincial government from Arrow Lake to Mineral City. Mineral City will be the Cariboo district what Rossland is to the Trail Creek district. See key plan at any agents office. A sample shipment of 60 tons of ore was sent to the Trail smelter which assayed \$80 in gold to the ton. The conditions in Mineral City are the same as in Rossland when it started. Like Rossland it is in the middle of the mines. Apply to the Following Agents: Reddin-Jackson Co., J. B. Johnson & Co., Rolt & Grogan, Weeks, Kennedy & Co., Smith, Dean & Co., A. B. Clabon. THE R. J. BEALEY CO., Ltd. Ly. General Agents, by whom alone agreements will be given.

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