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#### MORE OF THE KOOTENAY EXPLORATION CO.

The following letter has been sent to shareholders of the Kootenay Exploration Company, which, for pure unmitigated impudence, excels everything Mr. J. Grant Lyman has yet attempted in this line:

"TORONTO, March S. 1807. "To the Shareholders of the Kootenay Exploration Company, Limited.

"DEAR SIRS--Our attorneys, after examining the papers referring to the title to the Southern Cross, Wolverine No. 2 and Iron Hill do not approve of our taking them up in their present condition, as there seems to be some question as to a clear title regarding the same, and of course, the purchase price being so large warrants us in demanding that everything should be clear and proper regarding these properties before we finally pay for same, and unless this matter can be properly straightened we shall not take these properties, but devote our attention to something equally good, if not better.

"We have had a number of large properties presented to us, and having made a success of the parent company, we are particularly desirous of making a success of the auxiliary, and shall only take up those which, after a careful examination, warrant us in the belief that we are sure of a profit over our investment. Our interests are all identical in this matter, and it would be a most unwise proceeding to embark in a speculation with probability of a loss.

"Yours very truly, "J. GRANT LYMAN,
"Managing Director."

The first paragraph in this letter is a lie. The attorneys of the company never examined the title papers to the Southern Cross group. They refused to accept an abstract officially certified as evidence of title; refused to say what they would accept; refused to nominate an agent to examine title in Rossland; hinted that all titles in British Columbia were intrinsically bad on account of defects in the mining acts (which the attorneys had never read), and went on to say that the close vicinity of a railroad would be very injurious to mining on account of the vibration. At this point the agent for the Southern Cross became violently profane and suggested lunacy on the part of the attorneys, which ruffled those amiable gentlemen considerably.

The facts are these: The Kootenay Exploration Company made an offer to purchase the Southern Cross group. They advertised this group in connection with their company and induced many people to subscribe for the stock on account of the proximity of these properties to the Crown Point. This was barefaced swindling to begin with, as Mr. J. Grant Lyman never made the smallest attempt to comply with the terms of his own offer. This new outrage is his attempt to explain things to the shareholders. So far as the owners of the Southern Cross are concerned the matter ends here. They have a scrown grant as title and the Kootenay Exploration Company are not worth powder and shot to sue for damages. If the unfortunate shareholders are satisfied it is all right.

The brokers of the Kootenay Exploration Company

are Messrs. Lounsbrough & Co., 22 King street East, and their lawyers Messrs. Delamere, English, Reesor & Ross, 17 Toronto street, Toronto.

#### THE ORPHAN BOY DESCRIBED.

The following is a description of the Orphan Boy, which has lately been so unpleasantly prominent:

"The Orphan Boy, on Barret Creek, is the best developed property in the Basin and offers a good example of what the rest will be. Work was commenced on this claim on October 8, 1896, and continued to this month, with eight men working. Two tunnels have been run. No. 1, which crosscuts the lead at an angle of 35, has got both walls twenty-five feet apart and well defined. Of this lead nine feet is splendid free-milling quartz, and along the foot-wall is a two-foot streak of ore similar to Trail ores, but more capable of concentration. No. 1 tunnel is in 124 feet, and No. 2, a hundred or more feet below, was in 78 feet when an accidect suspended work. There is now about 1,000 tons of ore on the dump averaging \$28 per ton. There are four distinct leads on this claim and a stamp mill will be put up there this June."

The first charge put through the mill should be the late secretary.

#### NOTICE OF MEETING.

THE first annual general meeting of Victory-Triumph Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the office of the Company, 7 Hart block, Columbia avenue, Rossland, on Thursday, March 25, 1897.

A. R. MACDONALD,
Sec-Treas, Victory-Triumph
Gold Mining Company, Ltd.
Dated at Rossland, B. C., this 3d day of March, 1897.

#### APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE

NOTICE is hereby given that at the expiration of thirty days from date hereof the undersigned intends applying to the stipendiary magistrate for West Kootenay District for a licenso to sell liquor by retal, on the premises known as Barney's ranch, at Barney, situated at the intersection of the Dewdney trail and the Northport wagon road, five miles from the town of Rossland. and the Northport wagon road, fiv Rossland. Dated this 20th day of March. 1897. B. O'BRIEN.

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