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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Following are the ore shipments from the mines adjacent to Rossland since Jan. 1, 1897:

| MINE. | Jan. 1, to Dec. 31, 1897. | to | Jan. 1 '97, to Jan. 8 1898. |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|
| Le Roi | 57,437 | 1,275 | 58,712 |
| War Eagle | 7,023 | 80 | 7,103 |
| Columbia & Kootenay | 2,079 | | 2,079 |
| Iron Mask | 3,059 | 45 | 3,104 |
| Jumbo | 91 | | 91 |
| Josie | 385 | | 385 |
| Cliff | 917 | 20 | 937 |
| Centre Star | 1,334 | 30 | 1,364 |
| Red Mountain | 56 | | 56 |
| O. K | 172 | ••••• | 172 |
| Evening Star | / 79 | | 79 |
| Giant | 21 | | 21 |
| I. X. L | 12 | £ | 12 |
| Velvet | 10 | 4 | 10 |
| Little Joe | 15 | | 15 |
| Poorman | 120 | | 120 |
| Lily May | 30 | ******* | 30 |
| Tota1 | 72,840 | 1,450 | 74,290 |

The ore shipments for the eight days from Jan.

AT a meeting of the directors of the Rossland Miner Printing & Publishing company, limited liability, held Friday afternoon at the offices of the solicitors of the company, it was unanimously decided that the present capital stock be doubled Arrangements were also made for the purchase of additional printing material and machinery and to maintain a special telegraphic news service covering various points in British Columbia and the Eastern Provinces.

THE NEW COUNCIL.

We have the satisfaction of knowing that good men and true will govern the city for the next year. With their advent to office we start on what promises to be an era of prolonged prosperity. Everything municipally, industrially and commercially points to that end. Purity in politics is but a reflection of the honesty of the people, and the citizens of Rossland may now rejoice at the elimination of all evil influences so far as the local body politic is concerned. It is to be hoped that such a condition will always prevail among us.

The incoming city council has a task of no small magnitude before it. The next year promises to be the greatest in the way of material growth that the city has yet seen and the council will have to work energetically in order to keep up with the procession. As the incoming city administration is made up of some of the leading business property owners of the city it is certain that no chance to do that which will benefit the city will be overlooked. They have large interests here and to do anything that would injure the city would actually be in the direction of hurting themselves. There are several things that we think the city to. It will be necessary to raise a not Bylaw No. 28, to be voted upon at the It is patent that the work of construct to elapse before the prospecting season inconsiderable amount of money for cer- election today, it is the intention of tion will be continued, notwithstanding opens, but already indications are not tain essential public improvements, and the city to raise by means of debentures the false prophecies and the uncalled-for wanting to show that the present year this money should be borrowed at the the sum of \$65,000, with which to pay advice of the long-range critic of the will witness a more extensive and syscheapest possible interest and be expend- and consolidate its present floating in- Mining Record and the rest of his tribe tematic exploration of the Kootenays will be largely created by the great ac-

should receive the attention of the in- est at the rate of 5½ per cent per annum. formation to the public. coming administration is the pro- It is one of the provisions of the bylaw For instance this editor says that to range will be the means of opening an viding the city with a better fire depart- that the debentures can be redeemed construct this wagon road, a distance of exceptionally rich mineral district. The ment. A wooden city is in danger at by mutual agreement between their "sixty or seventy miles" would be trave mountains that form the divide between any time, and unless we have such a holders and the city at any time before ersed and it would cost about \$30,000. the Columbia river and the Boundary department as will be able to confine they mature. This is a wise precaution, The road that THE MINER advocated was country are thickly seamed with strong, fires in the structures in which they and it is within the range of possibilities from Rossland to Cascade City, and the well-defined veins of gold, silver and start, a general conflagration is liable to that the city will at some future time entire distance is only 28 miles, and five copper, but the only portion of the ensue. In several of the western cities, before the debentures mature be in miles of the road is already constructed. range that has been systematically prosafter they have had conflagrations that funds and able to redeem these secur- This is only a specimen of the misin- pected is in the neighborhood, of Rossproperty, they organized efficient fire The city has contracted with the Record. It further states that the coundepartments, but in Rossland such a Bank of British North America for the try between the city of Rossland and the lies an immense territory that is pracdepartment should be provided with a sale of the entire issue of debentures at Boundary country is very rough. Of tically unexplored. It has, however, view to preventing so dire a calamity. par. This seems to us to be a very good course it's rough, but it is not half so been sufficiently skimmed over by a

lumbia avenue to the west. This is the city have been. It is a much better article in question telling the public camps will eventually be established principal thoroughfare of the city, and bargain than that which was entered what he does not know about the pro- there. Hitherto, the main body of the the improvement is an essential one.

with an outlet of some kind. Just what bered that those bonds bore interest at ing a better means of communication because of the existence of many natural sort this should be ought to be left to the rate of six per cent per annum. with our fellow-citizens of the Boundary obstacles and a total absence of roads some sanitary engineer of experience and They were negotiated by the chief exec- country. Another object to be gained and trails, but with the now almost ability. The system should be extended, utive of the city at a considerable ex- is that we will not be compelled to go a positive assurance that the Columbia & too, in such directions as should, in the pense. There was a trip made to the long way around on American territory Western company will this year build a wisdom of the council, seem most advan- east in order to seek out capitalists will- in order to reach Boundary and that railway up Dog creek and around to

sary. This is evidenced by the fact that able expense involved in the transaction ure or business compels them to come atic and general exploration of the entire many of the residents who live but a before the arrangement was finally con- to this city. We want this road so that range. block or two aways from the main summated with the Guarantee Loan & we can help in the opening up of the terns when they leave their homes on With all this work and expense the Cascade City, and eventually secure Considerable money has already been thoroughfare are compelled to carry lan- Trusts company of Toronto. dark nights. There are two ways of debentures were not in proper shape, some of the traffic of the Boundary expended in making the Lardo and Dunproviding better illuminants. One is to and the courts set them aside because of country; we want it so that can rivers navigable, and it is expected have the city construct its own light the several illegalities that were con- the trade of the Boundary country that more money will be appropriated to one of the large electric power compan- was agreement "A," which improperly going to the United States as it does at Dominion parliament. The coming the north.

ber of incandescent and arc lights. It is ited with the Guarantee Loan & Trusts | this disseminator of misinformation says a known fact that these companies can company, instead of being invested in the the bulk of the Boundary trade is sell illuminants cheaply, as the energy the securities provided by law or placed now enjoyed by Vancouver, which aswhich they use for the production of in one of the chartered banks. Another sertion no one who had even a slightest lights is obtained from water power and fatal defect was that the agreement conception of the facts would make. We is much cheaper than where it is pro- made the loan a first mortgage on the repeat that this road will be built, and

duced by the use of ruel. For the flushing of sewers, the extinof the corporation.

ters that soon will be inadequate for ure. It should be adopted without a municipal requirements, and no better dissenting voice. investment of the city funds could be made than in a city hall. These and other matters of importance will make the offices of mayor and aldermen during the year 1898 far from being sine-

A RAILWAY, TO BOUNDARY.

In the discussion relative to the construction and operation of a railway to the Boundary country that has thus far taken place in the public press, a point of vital interest to Canadians has been entirely overlooked. Unless an all-Canadian system is built, the merchants of this country will be at a great disadvantage in their efforts to secure business from that district. With the Corbin road running into that region the important jobbing center, Spokane, only 150 miles distant, will reap all the benefits of the constantly increasing trade of the Kettle river valley. If Mr. Corbin's railway was a part of one of the American transcontinental roads, the wholesalers at the Coast and in the East might be able to obtain reasonable quotations on through rates, but as he is only interested in the haul from Spokane northwards, it is only natural that the metropolis of Eastern Washington would enjoy a decided advantage, in spite of import duties on foreign merchandise, while the absence of a line from the Columbia river to Penticton would debar the trade centers of Kootenay from participation in the trade of the Boundary

The construction of the Corbin road to Boundary also means that the Dominion government will pay a subsidy for the building of a railway for the development of an extensive territory in

the United States. A railway from the Columbia river to Penticton would give the Boundary country an opportunity for the establishment of local smelters, because a supply of cheap fuel would lessen the cost of smelting in Kootenay; would give the agricultural districts of South Yale an excellent market, and, last but not least, would open up the rich mines in the Gold range and Kettle and Okan-

The proposed western extension of the Columbia & Western would serve the Boundary country, Kootenay and Canada as no other road could.

BYLAW ELECTION, TOMORROW.

Under the terms of the provisions of the cry go up that we can go no farther? ed so as to secure the maximum of benefit debtedness. These bonds are to run for in the Province, who, in their small than has been known in any previous One of the very first matters that a period of 25 years, and will bear inter- way, convey a vast amount of misin- year. The construction of the Columbia

Another thing that should receive im- bargain, when it is considered how bad- rough as it is to have so ill informed number of experienced mining men to mediate attention is the grading of Co- ly muddled the financial affairs of the a man as the individual who wrote the justify the belief that many prosperous into in the former deal for \$50,000 worth posed wagon road. The sewer system should be provided of city debentures. It will be remem- It is to be built for the purpose of hav- been discouraged from entering this field A system of street lightning is neces- was in one way and the other consider- travel over this same route when pleas- that the year 1898 will witness a system-

assets of the city. The Bank of British North America is the proper development of the country. guishing of fires, and domestic con- a local institution and has a large and sumption, this growing city will need growing interest in the welfare of the larger water works than those at present city, because of its investments in the in existence. The old council has taken shape of loans in hundreds of enterthe preliminary steps, and has directed prises and other things. It will be called that the water sources that are adjacent on to pay its pro rata on the debentures to the city be taken up for the muni- and it has given the city very advantacipality. It is an admitted fact by those geous terms. In fact they could scarcely who have made a study of municipal be more favorable when the condition of government, that a city can make no the money market is considered and a beter investment than to own its own better bargain could hardly be made. water works. Many cities furnish their | What is still more advantageous, there is inhabitants with water for one-half what no agreement "A" with its many oneprivate corporations charge, and make sided provisions attached to the bargain even then large profits. It seems to us between the bank and the city. Taken that the city of Rossland should own its altogether the matter is worthy the apown water works, provided satisfactory proval of the citizens and no one who arrangements can be made on the part has the best interests of the city at heart will hesitate a moment before vot-Another matter that should be given ing for the adoption of Bylaw No. 28. attention is the construction of a city | Seeing the matter as we do it seems imhall of brick or stone. The city is now possible to conceive how any sane person paying a large rental annually for quar- can fail to register a vote for this meas-

LONG DISTANCE CRITIC AN SWERED.

The expediency of constructing state that the project is questionable, in the face of the fact that the Rossland Board of Trade has lent its endorsation to it. Notwithstanding the screeds directed against this project by the Trays, the Blanches, the Sweethearts and the other feists of the mosquito press of the Province, it is certain that this road, sooner or later, will be built, because it is absolutely necessary for the proper development of the country between

here and Boundary. In the first place, a highway will be constructed to the summit of Sophie mountain this year. Five miles is already built to a point in the vicinity of Barney's ranch. This will be extended by the Tupper syndicate and the government to the top of Sophie mountain, where there are a number of promising properties, and at present 50 men are employed developing the Velvet, the Portland and other mining properties. This is Rossland's most promising suburb, and it is essential that it be opened to the merchants of this city by a wagon road. It will not be long before more to discover what they will then find than a hundred men will be at work This is not the talk of enthusiasts, but there, and the trade of that section be- of sober, steady, calculating men of summer should see several hundred longs naturally to this city, and we will science who have carefully looked into prospectors in that district. not lose it because the construction of the condition of affairs here. They are between Rossland and the trade of the Boundary country, and an all-Canadian route will be built into this promising region. For the small sum of \$500 per mile, this can be built so that stages and

small loads can be taken over it. About nine miles beyond the summit of Sophie mountain is the Big Sheep creek mineral region, which must be opened with a wagon road, and the trade of which cannot help but come to Rossland. The road must be extended thither, if for no other reason than to

tap this rich section. miles between this city and the Bound- for the Trail Creek mining division. ary country. With this very small barrier standing between us and the traffic of Boundary, will a halt be called and

formation, contained in the Mining land. From Sullivan creek northward

ing to loan the city that sum, and there the people of that country may Christina lake, there is every probability mineral region between here and

for the reason that it is a necessity to

AN ERA OF PROSPERITY.

There is every reason to believe that Trail Creek division will, during the present year, pass through the greatest period of prosperity that it has yet seen. The signs of this can be observed on every side-in the increased interest that is being manifested by capitalists at home and abroad in the mines here; in the large investments that are being made in mining properties; in the augmented forces that are being put to work on the properties that have been under development for some time past; in the renewal of work on claims on which it was suspended during the dull period that prevailed last summer; in the better results that have been attained by the shipping mines as they are opened and their great richness shown; in the richer proceeds that are being obtained from the smelter returns as depth is attained, and in the fact that several mines will within a short time be added to the list of shippers.

It is certain that the British American Corporation and the New Goldfields of British Columbia will alone add at least 300 to the working miners of the wagon road between Rossland and camp, and this number joined to the Boundary is doubted by the Mining increase in the other mines will swell Record, a periodical published at Vic- the total to at least 1,200 before the year toria. This long range critic goes on to is over. This will give an increased opportunity for employment for those who toil, and will greatly add to the chances of business and professional

It is the strongly expressed opinion of some of the very best experts on the continent that there are more than a dozen properties in the camp that, with proper development, will make as good mines as those that are already shipping. If this is true, and there is no good reason for doubting the testimony of these men of experience, science and skill, the output of precious metals during the year will be phenomenal. Some of these experts say that we have up to the present time simply scratched the ground in this vicinity, and that the mineral deposits of the camp have only just been touched; that the surface indications show that the extent of ore bodies here is simply marvelous; that there are schoolboys today who will come here when they have become men and wonder at our obtuseneness in passing over and failing leave nothing to guesswork.

but that these men are right in their hood of White Grouse mountain, and in views, which they emphasize by making the Goat river country, has been so gratreports that are so favorable that the ifying that it is fair to presume the large investors of the world are putting search for new ledges will be vigorously hundreds of thousands of dollars into prosecuted, and a not inconsiderable our mines, and are ready to follow the amount of work will be done on a large original investments with as much more number of the promising prospects for the work of opening what they have already located. The completion of bought. Hence it is that, look at the the Crow's Nest Pass branch of the C. situation as pessimistically as we may P. R. will be an incalculable benefit to there is nothing but that which is bright the southern portion of that district. If the road is built this far, as it will to be discerned, and the year 1898 is The south side of the Nelson division be, then there will only remain nine surely destined to be the red letter year and the mountains on both sides of the

PROSPECTING IN KOOTENAY.

Several months will, of necessity, have steady shippers before another winter

The Lardo-Duncan country is also known to be rich in precious metals.

ies to furnish it with the necessary num- provided that the sinking fund be depos- present, notwithstanding the fact that Vice-President and Consulting Engineer, C. C. Woodhouse, Jr., M. E., Hon. Geo. E. Foster, M.P., Rossland, B. C. Ex-Minister of Finance. Ottawa, Ont.

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The divide between Kootenay lake five miles of a wagon road stands in the those who do not measure things with and East Kootenay will undoubtedly way. Then there is a gap of 18 miles their imagination, but rather with the attract much attention this year. The everyday expert tools of science, which success that has attended the development of a number of properties in the No other view can possibly be taken, St. Mary's valley and in the neighbor-

> upper Columbia valley will also receive a full share of attention this year. It is very probable that both those districts will add several mines to the list of

There can be no doubt that the Kootenays will enjoy exceptional prosperity during the year 1898, and this condition

THE DEBENTURE ELECTION.

In arranging for the sale of \$65,000 in twenty-five-year debentures drawing interest at the rate of 51/2 per cent per annum, the city made a good bargain The with the Bank of British North America It is, however, necessary that the bylaw containing these provisions should be submitted to the taxpayers for their approval. This will be done today.

The floatation of a loan of this magnitude demands that the utmost care be exercised on the part of the municipality. It is highly satisfactory to know Reddin." Codes: Clough and Lieber. that in this instance due consideration has been given to economy. The rate of interest is as low can be expected under the circumstances, and it is by far the best of all the offers that have hitherto been made to advance money on the credit of the city. As the development of the camp progresses and Rossland's standing in the financial world improves. we may reasonably hope to do better, but until that time arrives the taxpayers will have no cause for complaint if future loans are not arranged on a more expensive basis than is the case in the present

It is safe to say that Bylaw No. 28 will be carried today almost without a dis-

PERSONALS.

Fred Oliver is in the Slocan.

Rossland Mining Stocks

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MARKET FEATURES.

Enquiries for good stocks continue and sales are being made every day. Yesterday Good Hope, Poorman and Virginia were the sellers and there is no disputing but that they are good specu-

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| Elise 3 Evening Star 8 | Royal Five |
| Great Western 9 | Salmo Consolidated Silver Bell |
| Golden Drip 6 | St. Elmo |
| Iron Mask 36 | Virginia Waneta & Trail |
| Josie 29 Kettle River 15 | Winnipeg-Eureka |
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LETTER Rossla

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Mountain jus operations un it compelled funds with wh ment. It is American cor dicate yet fo is negotiating property.-Ec The Dis

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