

THEY STOLE THOUSANDS

Dishonest Smelter Employes Said to Have Robbed Plant for Many Months--Swanson to Be Sentenced Tomorrow.

The Peter Swanson case at the police court was further enlarged yesterday. The prisoner will be sentenced tomorrow morning.

Mr. Macdonald then asked that the passage of sentence be withheld till Wednesday in order that witnesses might be brought to testify to Swanson's standing, character and reputation in Northport.

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It is stated that the depositions at the smelter in Northport have continued over many months and that in the aggregate many thousands of dollars worth of gold bearing matte and furnace bottoms have been abstracted and sold in the town, where an organized league in the valuable material had been worked up.

Masons Commemorate St. John's Day by Worship

The members of the Masonic order in this city gathered Sunday evening at their temple and marched to the Methodist church to attend divine worship in commemoration of St. John's Day, a day that is observed by the Masons wherever the sun rises and sets.

Only tends to promote unity among men and to increase the spirit of brotherhood. Such has been its effect upon the history of the nations and religious denominations, and such must be its mission for the future.

First of Winter Carnivals a Great Success

With hundreds of merry skaters in all the different shapes and costumes imaginable on the ice and with hundreds of spectators lining the railings, the first of the winter carnivals was ushered in last night.

mask all going to make the character taken one of the best portrayed on the rink during the evening. Mrs. Jones was fully entitled to the prize she won.

Nelson Wants the First Hockey Game

A very interesting and well attended meeting of the members of the Victoria Hockey Club occurred Sunday night at the Kootenay. Many matters of interest to the general public were discussed.

He is hard-working, cool, and a player who is in the game all the time. The players are now doing more combination work than has been the case hitherto.

St. George's Children Feted Last Night

St. George's Sunday school held their annual Christmas tree last night and the fete passed off very successfully. The Kootenay avenue school was the scene of the gathering.

Carol--"Ring Merry Bells".....By the School Recitation.....Gertie Brown Recitation.....Alice Malochin Song.....Mamie Brokenshire Recitation.....Florence Wilson Recitation.....What Can Little Children Do?.....By Seven of Infant Class Recitation.....Helene Burrill Carol.....Carol, Sweetly Carol.....By the School Recitation.....Rose Brokenshire Motion song in chorus, by little girls Recitation.....Marguerite Curtis Recitation.....Frankie Hobbes Recitation.....Elsie Robinson Character Song--A Jubilee by little girls Recitation.....Mamie Brokenshire Recitation.....Alice Morrison Recitation.....Muriel Karker Recitation.....Wilfred Porter Recitation.....Florence Brokenshire Recitation....."Boys of Britton" After the program the Christmas tree occupied general attention for an hour.

Three Aldermen Will Leave City's Service

The attitude of the present members of the city council with respect to the forthcoming election is now fairly well defined. One or two members of the present board have not definitely decided as to the approaching campaign.

Alderman Harry Daniel, chairman of the fire, water and light committee, will be a candidate for re-election. He will rely upon his active share in the general work of the council and his administration of the important department under his supervision as arguments in favor of his re-election.

Speeches For Formal Opening of Library

The formal opening of the reading room and public library instituted by the Sons of St. George has been arranged for 3 o'clock on Thursday--New Year's day.

zens who have assisted the institution by donations of periodicals and literature will be given. It is understood that the reading room starts with an excellent assortment of current periodicals, and that the outlook for a library of a couple of hundred volumes is at least as bright.

appeared as a frontiersman. Al Davis was there with a South African uniform and plenty of paint. Jack Ren skated around with a strawberry blonde dressed in a heavy fur overcoat and a mule face.

THE ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS

(Special to The Miner.) VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 30.--The result of the entrance examinations just announced shows that Nelson made the best showing, with 10 out of the 12 passed, and Victoria next, with 33 out of 69. Results follow in Nelson and Rossland: Nelson--Paul Richards, 74. Nellie Lackey, 719. William Swannell, 693. John T. Holmes, 690. Irma Mackay, 677. Frederick W. Loring, 660. Roy Harris, 648. Pearl McGregor, 641. Irene Madigan, 637. Lottie McVicar, 628. Rossland--Nita O'Hearn, 665.

THE WORK OF TRAMPS

QUINCY, Ind., Dec. 30.--In a wreck of a through Chicago-Louisville freight train on the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville railroad here today Engineer Albert S. Barker, Fireman Joseph E. Glen and Brakeman Hiram Perry were killed and the engine and 18 cars loaded with hogs and cattle were piled up in the ditch. A switch lock had been broken, supposedly by tramps, and the switch turned.

STORY WITHOUT FOUNDATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.--J. P. Morgan denied that it was intended to consolidate the Erie, Lehigh Valley and Reading roads. Mr. Morgan said: "There is not the slightest reason for such a story. It is altogether without foundation."

LOUBET SENT \$20,000.

PARIS, Dec. 30.--President Loubet has sent \$20,000 for the relief of sufferers from the earthquake at Andijan, Russian Turkistan.

THE STOCK MARKET

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes American Boy, Ben Hur, Black Tail, Butte & Boston, Canadian Gold Fields, Cariboo (C. McK.) ex-d., Centre Star, Dardanelles, Dear Trail No. 2, Fairview, Fisher Maiden, Giant, Gold Ledger, Granby Consolidated, Homestake (A.S. P.), Iron Mask (A.S. paid), Jim Blaine, Lone Pine, Morning Glory, Mountain Lion, North Star (E. K.), Payne, Princess Maud, Quip, Rambler-Cariboo, Republic, San Poll, St. Elmo Con., Sullivan, Tom Thumb, War Eagle Con., Waterloo (As. paid), White Bear (As. paid), Wonderul.

CITY NEWS

TWELVE DOLLAR ORE--The output of the Gint mine for November is given in cable reports at 215 tons, with smelter returns of \$12 net.

AT SPOKANE--It is understood that John Macdonald and Mrs. Annie Roof, respected residents of Rossland, will seal a life partnership in Spokane today.

FULLY RECOVERED--George Erickson, the miner who was injured in the Le Roi several weeks ago, returned to the city from Spokane on Sunday night after having spent two weeks or more in a Spokane hospital. He is now fully recovered.

NEAT GIFT--John S. Holland of the International received a neat nugget pin as a Christmas gift from John Cassidy, who has returned from Nome. Cassidy was at one time connected with the International as assistant director. At present he is amusement director of a theatre in Portland, Oregon.

DIED IN SOUTH AFRICA--News has just reached this city of the death in South Africa of Frank Vercoe, M. E. Vercoe, who is well known in this section of the country, went to South Africa, where he was practically in charge of the military engineering branches of the British army. The cause of death is unknown.

AT TROUT LAKE--Miss Louise Impey, the well known local singer, is to be married today to Mr. Elisor at Trout Lake City. The ceremony will be performed by the pastor of the Methodist church at Trout Lake. Miss Impey has long been known as the leader of the Methodist choir. She has many friends here.

PASTRY SUPPER--A spread that bids fair to be unique in the way of suppers in this city is promised by the ladies of the Methodist church for New Year's night. The dinner will be known as a pastry supper, and will be given in the reading room of the Methodist church between the hours of 6:30 to 7:30 p. m.

A MARRIAGE--A wedding occurred yesterday afternoon when Henry Berodius and Lena M. Hofer, both of Northport, were united in marriage. The wedding was at the Hotel Astor, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. A. M. Sanford, of the Methodist church.

MARRIED IN SPOKANE--The Miner takes this occasion to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Collis, who were united in the holy bonds of matrimony in Spokane yesterday afternoon, both well known residents of Rossland. They have been partners in the job printing office of Collis & Co. on Columbia avenue for some time, and the change to a partnership for life may be looked upon as the best.

SAD NEWS--Captain Herbert R. Townsend received a telegraphic message today notifying him of the death in South Africa of his brother-in-law, Captain Frank H. Varcoe. Deceased had been in excellent health and was meeting with great success on the staff of Colonel Sir Percy Girouard, who was a friend and college mate. His friends will not learn the cause of death for several weeks.

BIG NOVEMBER PROFITS--The Ymir mine earned handsome profits in November, as will be seen from the appended. Ymir--Cablegram from the company's manager at Nelson, British Columbia: "During last month 50 stamps ran 234 hours. Estimated profit on operating, \$10,000 (\$2002). This is after deducting development, \$2362 (\$487) and repairs \$800 (\$163)." October profit, \$21650.

LATE DISPATCHES FROM THE ORIENT

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 30.--The steamer Glenogle reached port this morning from Yokohama and the Orient. She brought news that the disaster in the Hoshi colliery near Fukuoka, which was reported to have caused the loss of 200 lives in the Associated Press letter received by the Tartar a few days ago, did not cause heavy loss of life, for the majority of the imprisoned miners, numbering 391 in all, were rescued. News was received from Wei Hai Wei of a gold mining boom there, a number of quartz prospects having been taken up by the British and Japanese.

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Table with columns for names and values. Includes Le Roi, Centre Star, Rossland G. W., Giant, Cascade, Kootenay, Bonanza, Velvet, Spitzee, White Bear, Totals, THE CAMP, VICTORIA, B. C., DECEMBER, Year--1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, Total, PAYROL, The sums distributed to workers of Rossland during the year ending December 31st, 1902, were as follows: Large, but various which Miner read and the effect of a substantially. Several disturbing elements moved, and the coming year will witness in the p. mines. The appreciate with respect to the miner's properties, franchises were not only the Le Roi, Le Roi No. 2, Centre Star, Rossland Great V, White Bear, Kootenay, Giant, Velvet, Spitzee, Cascade and Bon, Other mines, Total.