

## NEWS OF THE COAST

Rossland Loan Bylaws Before the Supreme Court.

## A CANVASSER'S TROUBLES

A Magistrate intimates That Criminal Courts Cannot Be Used for the Collection of Debts—Drowned While Duck Hunting—Admitted to the Bar.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 10.—On behalf of George E. Gillan, a resident and ratepayer of Rossland, and Archer Martin, this morning, it was moved before the chief justice for a ruling to quash two bylaws of the city of Rossland regarding the raising of \$7,500 to be applied towards the current expenses of the city, and \$7,500 to pay a balance due on a contract for a sewerage system. The rule was granted, returnable on the 22d. The objections are against the methods of the submission of the bylaws, the mayor having refused to make provisions respecting scrutineering during the polling and also in regard to the voters list before the election.

The steamer Parallon, which sailed this morning for Seattle, had a large cargo of freight and 75 passengers bound for the Klondike. She carried 300 tons of general merchandise and 200,000 feet of lumber, nearly all for Skagway.

Detective Perkins returned this evening from New Westminster with one C. W. Johnson, a canvasser for the Chicago Portrait company, who is charged with stealing \$140 of the company's money. Johnson lost the money at cards and wrote to the company promising to make it up. He moved to Vancouver in hopes of earning the money. Coast Manager McDavitt came to Victoria and laid information upon which the arrest was made. In court McDavitt said he did not wish to prosecute, his idea being to get money out of Johnson. The magistrate intimated that the criminal courts could not be used to collect debts, but remanded the case until tomorrow to see what could be done, in the mean time allowing Johnson liberty on his own recognizance.

W. J. Hendron, of middle age and a native of Ireland, living in a cabin in the Rock Bay district went with a companion deck hunting this afternoon in a flat bottomed boat. The craft capsized off Beacon Hill and Hendron was drowned, his companion swimming to the shore about 30 yards distance.

C. W. C. Taber, of Vancouver, H. W. Henschman and W. B. Ross of Fort Steele, and G. S. McCarter of Golden, who have just passed the final examinations of the law society, were called to bar this morning and presented in court by Sir Henry Crease.

## GRAND FORKS NEWS.

An American Company Will Soon Start an Electric Plant.

GRAND FORKS, Dec. 8.—[Special.]—A messenger from Cascade City brings word of the sale of the Cascade Development company to an American company for a large sum. One thousand dollars was paid down last Saturday as a part of the consideration. By the terms of this sale the new company acquiring the water rights at Cascade City are to put in an electric generating plant immediately. George K. Stocker, of Cascade City, and others composed the company known as the Cascade Development company.

## Officials Disagree.

Dr. Nelson, veterinary inspector for the state of Washington, who has been here for the last few days in relation to the quarantining of stock here, left for Marcus this morning, where he will remain for a few days and try the Mallean test on some horses at that place.

Dr. Hickingbottom, in an interview this morning, said: "Dr. Nelson wants me to lift the quarantine at once, although he has not yet ascertained whether the glanders exists here or not; he also wanted me to accept of external certificates signed by him. This I refused to do unless the animals had been properly tested by him. Dr. Nelson has gone to Marcus now, and will round up all horses at that place and test them; he will then send me his report. As far as I am concerned I will hold the quarantine here until I am satisfied that there is no glanders in the country."

## Grand Forks Notes.

The board of city license commissioners will meet tomorrow.

The Independent Order of Foresters at Grand Forks will give a grand ball at this place on New Year's eve.

An English company is at present negotiating for the purchase of the Iron King and the Lily properties, which are situated some three miles up the North Fork from Grand Forks.

From the present aspect of affairs, there will be a most exciting time here at the coming city election in January. There will likely be three candidates in the field for the mayoralty of 1898, namely: Jeff Davis, a prominent merchant; Robert Hewitt, proprietor of the Grand Forks brewery, and Alderman L. A. Manly, a brother of Mayor Manly. In speaking of the statements that had been made that the town of Greenwood was in darkness for a week, owing to the fact that a quantity of coal oil had been detained at Grand Forks by the quarantine officer here, Dr. Hickingbottom said: "The coal oil referred to on this occasion was transferred at Grand Forks immediately on its arrival and sent right on to Greenwood," so that the Boundary creek people have nothing to kick at the quarantine officer's action on this occasion.

## A REPORTED INVESTMENT.

GREENWOOD, Dec. 8.—[Special.]—It is reported here that J. E. Boss, M. E., of Spokane, has purchased all the interests held by Farrell & Migeon, of the Parrott smelting works, Butte, Montana, in Boundary Creek mining properties. These include the Stenwinder and one-fourth interest in the Phoenix and the Rawhide, all in Greenwood camp; the Emma, Mountain Rose, Mattie Davis, Minnie Moore and Jumbo, in Summit camp; two-thirds interest in the Enterprise, in Copper camp; the Golden Rod, in Central camp, and others. Several of these claims are crown granted, and some have been proved to have shipping ore in considerable quantities.

especially the Stenwinder and Emma, these being the most developed claims of the lot. Farrell & Migeon have held interests here for five or six years, and have for some time been represented in the district by W. B. Smith, the pioneer prospector, who located the Non Such in Smith's camp about 11 years ago.

## A Cutting Affray.

MIDWAY, Dec. 8.—[Special.]—A cutting affray took place recently at Camp McKinney, where Alex. Ramage received a knife wound about four inches in length on the back of his neck and a severe contusion on the top of his head, the latter said to have been caused by Mike Dooley of Rock Creek. The man who did the cutting got away across the line. Dooley was arrested and brought before Jas. Kerr, J. P., at Midway, who remanded him until the 20th inst. Ramage is said to have provoked the assault, which was the outcome of a drunken row.

## WILL HELP THE CAUSE.

The British-American Corporation

LONDON, Dec. 11.—[Special.]—The prospectus of the long-talked-of and gigantic British American corporation is issued today. The capital is £1,500,000. One million £1 shares are now offered at par, the issue being limited to shareholders of the London & Globe Finance corporation. The directors are the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava; Lord Loch; the Hon. C. H. Macintosh, lieutenant-governor of the Northwest territories; Edward A. Hoare, one of the directors of the Bank of British North America; and Whitaker Wright, a well-known London financier. The corporation has secured the famous Le Roi and Josie mines, as well as eight other well-known Rossland mines and Nelson properties. It also secures a going concern the Alaska Commercial company, with the towns of Dawson City and claims on the Bonanza, Eldorado, Bear, and other Klondike creeks.

[The allusion in the above dispatch to the "famous Le Roi and Josie mines," evidently means the West Le Roi & Josie company, owning the Annie claim. Shortly after the reception of the above dispatch a message inquiring for further particulars of the plans of the new company was sent to Regina, N. W. T., to Hon. Charles H. Macintosh, by Mr. J. to the time of going to press this morning no reply had been received. Spokane was also wired, and Colonel Ridpath of that company was interviewed at midnight, and as can be seen by the appended dispatch, he absolutely denied that the Le Roi had been sold.—Ed.]

## SUICIDE OF SUYDAM.

The Deceased Left Behind Him Scores

of Warm Friends. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral of Edward P. Suydam, the big-hearted mining man who took his life Friday evening at the War Eagle hotel. A telegram was received Saturday by Chief of Police Ingram from Mrs. Suydam at Castle, Mont., but she was too much shocked by the sad intelligence to formulate any plans for the interment of her husband. The Masons of the city will probably have charge of the funeral.

This is a copy of the ante-mortem statement prepared by Mr. Suydam: "It has been stated by smart men that no smart man ever committed suicide, and that any man who committed suicide or takes his own life is a coward. I beg your pardon. I have thought the matter over carefully and decided that I wished to quit.

"I have nothing against no man or woman on earth. I simply think the world is better off without me. My family, who I am proud of, is in Castle, Mont. I am an old soldier; fighting under John A. Logan and Phil Sheridan three years for the American flag, and have concluded that President McKinley is a damn fool and his gang. Men of energy and wisdom have been and is trodden down, so I simply wish to quit. Please don't state that liquor was the cause. It was not. I am a sober man and I committed this act on my own account, and I alone am responsible.

"Don't charge my death to no one and no cause. I am strictly sober and rational, and have my reasons. God bless all. Yours respectfully, E. P. SUYDAM."

Mr. Suydam was a fine example of the mining men who have made possible the wonderful development of the west. A frontiersman by instinct, hardy, resourceful, fearless and indomitable, he explored the wildernesses of the country, and, opening up their marvelous resources, led the way for the civilization which follows. Kindhearted, friendly and hospitable, he knew no race or tribe, but with the generous, warm-hearted hospitality of the trueborn western man, every one whom he met was to him a friend, and with him he would share his last morsel of bacon or divide his last dollar. He had been in the Kootenays since they were first opened, and had scores of friends in every camp in the country, all of whom have only words of sorrow at the sad end of poor old Suydam.

## SUED FOR SALVAGE.

Government Reserves Land Along

Lakes and Rivers.

VICTORIA, Dec. 11.—For services rendered to the British ship Senator, Capt. Harrison, which narrowly escaped destruction on the rocks at the entrance to Esquimalt harbor on Thursday, the O. P. N. company, the owners of the steamship Mahe, have attached the vessel, claiming \$5,000 as salvage for their services. The owners of the tug Sadie have made a like claim. The attachment was made this morning, the deputy sheriff notifying the writs to the British Columbia Gazette was issued today, reserving for provincial government purposes a belt of land five miles in width all around that portion of Bennett lake which lies within the province, a similar belt around Teelin lake, and a belt five miles in width on each side of the Stickeen river, commencing at a point five miles below Glenora and extending to five miles above Telegraph creek.

## Reco Mine Dividend.

NELSON, Dec. 11.—[Special.]—On Janu-

ary 1 the Reco mine will declare a dividend of 10 cents a share. This will be equivalent to \$100,000. The matte shipments from Kootenay this week were 17 1/2 tons; total value, \$137,860.03. Total value of ore and matte exported for the week, \$236,990.03.

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THE EDMONTON ROUTE.

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overland expedition to the Yukon, ac-

companied by Edward Brock, arrived

here last night from Fort Resolution, on

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of Calgary, where the rest of the party,

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At Fort Smith they secured one train

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cers, Indians and halfbreeds all treated

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## A CHAT WITH PATTERSON.

TORONTO, Dec. 11.—Lieutenant-Governor

Patterson being interviewed by a

Mail reporter said: "The school ques-

tion has not been mentioned to me since

I crossed the boundary line of Manitoba

on my way east. I do not know whether

I have made my denial sufficiently

strong, but I repeat that my visit has no

political significance, and I have not in-

terfered in the affairs of the province of

Quebec. When with Chapleau we

talked of weather and the crops, and

swapped stories, I was able to do so

without any harm. The subject of his

supposed second tenure of office was not

mentioned by me to him or to any other

public man, and my visit to Spencer-

wood was purely one of friendship.

Which I regretted, as any plan to

bring informed Greenway of my intentions.

It is my earnest desire to be strictly con-

stitutional and impartial in my dealings

with the public men of Manitoba."

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## RECOVERED THE JEWELRY.

Soldiers Mutiny—Jo Chamberlain in

Control of the Government.