

IT'S "NEW" VELVET NOW

Mine Is Shipping \$40 Ore to Northport--Magnificent Shoot Opened Up--Bright Outlook for Future.

"The New Velvet" is the sobriquet which William Gray applies to the property under his management. He says that a few months ago the Velvet was regarded as almost hopeless--now it is a regular shipper of high grade ore, the best grade of ore shipped in quantity by any Rosslund mine, and this happy result has been attained through the discovery of ore bodies that were unknown last summer.

On level No. 1, a few hundred feet below the surface, the ore shoot east of the main shaft has opened up in a most satisfactory manner. I have from two and a half to three feet of ore that carries over two ounces of gold to the ton and the shoot is at least thirty-five feet in length," says Mr. Gray.

Cornish Wrestling Match Arranged For Xmas Day

Great interest has been aroused in the city over the Cornish wrestling match which is to take place in the city on the afternoon of Christmas day. Sunday afternoon a meeting of the two contestants and several interested parties occurred at one of the well known local hotels, where final arrangements for pulling off the match were completed, along with an agreement as to what rules and regulations were to govern the affair.

Curling Club Not in It With Rink Employes

"Hoot mon!" said Caretaker Williams, as he gazed distractedly through the fringe of Judge Nelson's flashiest tam o'shanter at the canny McPhail doing a Highland fling at one end of the curling rink, while Chief Donald Guthrie was yelling at him in good, broad Scotch to "soop her up."

Polling Booths Selected-- Election Officials Named

The municipal elections take place by statute on January 15th. The nominations eventuate, also under statute, on the 12th of January. Nomination day is Monday and election day is Thursday.

Mining Companies Will Pay All the Charges

The Rosslund mine managers are complimentary about an arrangement for the use of the "Father Pat" ambulance when the apparatus is required to convey men from the mines. Managers Mackenzie and Coulter both undertake that their companies shall defray any expense entailed, while Manager Kirby says that the arrangement between his mines and the city physicians is that the removal of injured men will be looked after by the medical man, who, he believes, will be happy to enter into a satisfactory understanding with the city.

WAR EAGLE AND CENTRE STAR MINES. J. Stiiwell Clute, Esq., Rosslund, B. C. I duly received your letter dated 5th inst. with reference to the use of the "Father Pat" memorial ambulance.

Curlers Play First Competition Tomorrow

The members of the Rosslund Curling club are rapidly preparing for the first club competition, that of the presidents vs. vice-presidents, which takes place Christmas day. It is the intention of those at the head of the club to play off all the matches on one day if possible, but whether it will be possible or not is a question that the members will have to solve among themselves.

- Harry Bell, W. F. McNeill; J. E. Young, J. A. Macdonald; Harry Daniel, H. H. Johnson; A. Strickland, skip, Dr. Coulthard, skip.

MERRY CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT GREENWOOD

GREENWOOD, B. C., Dec. 23.--The annual installation of officers of Greenwood Lodge No. 23, A. F. & A. M., was in place next Saturday evening, 27th inst. The officers for the ensuing year are: W. M. J. S. Birnie, I. F. M., Wm. G. McMillan, S. W., F. M. Elkins, J. W., A. M. Whiteside; secretary, D. A. McKenzie; treasurer, Wm. G. McMillan; Tyler, George Cunningham.

CITY NEWS

HOIST FLAGS TODAY--Chairman McCraney, of the school board, promises that flags will be hoisted high on the city schools today in honor of the Christmas tide.

BAD RAILS--Yesterday's snowfall made bad rails on both lines running into Rosslund. The noon train on the Canadian Pacific was about four hours into the evening train on the Red Mountain was an hour behind time and the night train on the Canadian Pacific was forty minutes behind its schedule hour.

PROGRESSING WELL--Thomas Fitzmorris, the aged conductor, who was taken to the hospital three days ago suffering from the effects of a paralytic stroke, is reported as being better. Fitzmorris was very low at one time and was, in fact, not expected to live. He has passed the danger point now and a rapid recovery is looked for.

POSTPONED--The December meeting of the Rosslund board of trade has been finally postponed to the first Wednesday in January. At this session the principal topic will be the consideration of means for the abatement of the two per cent mineral tax, and it is expected that an interesting and instructive debate will ensue.

SWIPED A GANDER--Henry Watson is locked up at police headquarters on the charge of stealing a goose. It is alleged that Watson quietly took a bird from the hook where it was displayed at P. Burns & Co.'s establishment, and was making off with his swag when the deed was detected.

of the Greenwood Liberal Association, seconded the resolution, paying a tribute to Mr. Curtis's straight course and sincerity. The resolution was unanimously carried.

THE STOCK MARKET

Table with columns for stock names, bid prices, and asked prices. Includes American Boy, Ben Hur, Black Tall, Butte & Boston, Canadian Gold Fields, Cariboo McKinley, Centre Star, Dardanelles, Deer Trail No. 2, Fairview, Fisher Maiden, Gold Ledge, Graby Consolidated, Homestake (As. pd.), Iron Mask (As. pd.), Jim Blaine, Lone Pine, Morning Glory, Mountain Lion, North Star (E. Koot), Payne, Princess Maud, Quilp, Rambler-Cariboo, Republic, San Polo, St. Elmo Con., Sullivan, Tom Thumb, War Eagle Con., Waterloo (As. pd.), White Bear (As. pd.), Wonderful.

California.--The shaft on the California mine was finished to the 500 foot level last Wednesday, and since then Superintendent Delbridge has had a crosscut started northerly, towards the hanging wall of the vein. He has nine four-horse teams engaged in hauling ore to the company's bin on the Washington and Great Northern siding. Five cars of ore that were shipped last week and appeared to have been sidetracked were received at the Tacoma smelter last Saturday, but up to this writing no returns had been received from it. The last heard from it was that it was being sampled. Yesterday four carloads of ore of average value were shipped to the Hall Mines smelter at Nelson, B. C.

WILD HORSE CREEK. Placer Operations During the Past Year. (Fort Steele Prospector.) It is with great satisfaction that we can this year again point to the rapidly increasing importance of the placer mining interests on Wild Horse Creek. The yearly output, while in itself not inconsiderable, is yet large in comparison with that of former years.

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