

British Columbia.

PLUMPER PASS.

Plumper Pass, May 24.—Divine service was held in the Church House on Sunday, May 23. There was a very fair attendance.

The boat race so often put off for lack of wind, was sailed today in the waters of Plumper Pass opposite Point Confort.

The two hotels now have many attractions for pleasure seekers. Tourists cannot do better than try Plumper Pass for their summer outing.

KASLO.

A rich strike of silver lead is reported to have been made in the mountains near town. The location was not made known.

An important mining deal was consummated last Saturday when the Kootenay & Columbia Prospecting Mining Company and Fred Healey bought from one-fourth interest in the Sunset from the McDonald Nelson, paying \$10,000 in cash.

The property has a history: Several years ago considerable local excitement was caused by the finding of footveins in the mountains back of the Blue Bell. All efforts to trace the source of the ore were ineffectual, however the matter had not been lost sight of, and a short time ago a prospector discovered the lead from whence the rich find was found.

SANDON.

The owners of the Montezuma mine have in view the construction of the Nöble five tramway last Sunday, with the view of placing a similar one in operation on their own property.

A strike is reported to have been made on the hillside near the Nöble mine. The particulars of which, however, were not obtained at the present writing.

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and hearing the cries of the men on board, leaped his small boat with heavy line and started in pursuit. Catching up with the barge he made one end of his rope fast to it, and started out to secure the other end to the shore. The swift current and the weight of the barge made it a difficult task.

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GOLDEN.

It is understood that Mr. Wilson, of Palisade, will be the Liberal candidate for East Kootenay in the provincial elections to be held next year.

The Methodist church at Golden is now completed. The building is 20 X 40 feet and has seating accommodation for 80 people. Mr. W. McDonald was the contractor and has made an excellent job of the work.

VANCOUVER.

Mr. Seward, of Lytton, who has resided on the banks of the Fraser river for nearly 40 years, says that he is convinced that the river will not reach as high a point again as it did on Sunday last. He further says that the conditions are altogether different from those which prevailed in 1894, and there is no probability of disastrous floods or even of unusual high water.

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lone, and is as follows: "That the council of the city of Nelson voices the opinion of the people of South Kootenay in saying that in view of the past action of the government in recognizing squatters in every case, that the present action is unjust and uncalled for, when it is taken into consideration that the market value can be obtained for the property in dispute."

The proposition of the Consumers' Waterworks Company for the purchase of their plant and franchise for \$5,000 has been accepted by the council. As soon as the legal transfer can be effected the city will take possession, the transfer to date from May 1, from which time the city will receive the revenue from the system.

There is considerable movement among the properties on Forty-Nine, Rover and Bird creeks and considerable work is being done. Development in nearly every case results in fine showings. There are a number of people looking for properties in this district, but few are on the market. The success of every mine upon which money has been spent for development work, makes owners loath to part with their properties.

MIDWAY.

On the Alina claim, situated just north of the Eureka, in Camp McKimney, Mrs. James and his partner are busy at work stripping the ledge, which is now uncovered for 600 feet. As the work of stripping is being carried on, much free gold is being found in the quartz which is at times being broken from the ledge.

The liberals resident in Kaslo complete the formation of an association for political purposes last Saturday evening, after a previous meeting for a similar purpose had failed. The new association is officered by J. B. McArthur as president; Arthur Woodhouse, first vice-president; Dwanan McPhail, second vice-president; D. J. Young, treasurer, and D. C. McGeorge, secretary.

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D. P. Strobeck recently made a lucky strike south of the mouth of Coffee Creek. He located a ledge running from four to six feet wide, and was laughed at by those who knew all about it. Since then a little work has been done, which has yielded 140 ounces in silver and 70 per cent lead. The indications are that Strobeck's find will prove very valuable.

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A fine body of ore was struck in the bottom of the Great Western shaft on Thursday evening. An assay showed 300 per cent of silver and 65 per cent of copper. The appearance of the ore indicates that it would carry about 3 per cent of copper. This is the best ever found in the Great Western, and gives confidence to the opinion, so generally held, that it is destined to be one of the big mines of the camp.

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There is no truth in the report published in a Rossland paper that Superintendent Davy of the Hall mines will resign the service of that company. It is rumored that Superintendent M. S. Davy of the Hall mines will institute a libel suit against the Rossland Miner for the publication of statements reflecting on his ability as a mining superintendent and engineer.

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is being made by the authorities to run down the guilty pair, but nothing has been seen or heard of them since they entered Rheinhardt's cabin Thursday night. It is thought most probable that they crossed the line after the perpetration of the crime.

On the west side of O. K. mountain in a direct line through from the O. K. mine is the Bean Pot group, consisting of the Bean Pot, the Frontense, the Forest King and the Little Windmill. It is running through this group one of the strongest and best defined ledges in the Rossland camp.

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A committee of the council, consisting of A. A. Manly, P. J. Davis and G. W. Hepworth, were appointed to act as a citizens' committee in arranging the affair. The council appointed the following city officers: H. S. Corley, city clerk; S. P. Hepworth, treasurer; R. C. McCrea, assessor; James Addison, engineer; J. H. Featherston, stenographer; Harrie S. Sheeds, the salaries of the clerk and constable were fixed at \$30 and \$25 per month, respectively. One officer remains to be filled, that of city solicitor A. C. Sutton is as yet the only applicant for this position.

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Several new locations were made this week at Christina Lake, and judging from the samples that were brought to town the owners have struck something worth developing.

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GREENWOOD CITY.

Boundary Creek Times. Mr. John A. Finch, a well known and wealthy mine owner, has purchased, in association with others, the Little Windmill, De Winton and Gold Nugget claims, up the north fork of the Kettle river.

J. H. Macfarlane has purchased a one-half interest in two promising claims in Copper camp. F. J. Mead, of Tacoma, who is heavily interested in Kootenay mines, arrived in Greenwood this week and will spend several days in viewing properties in the district with a view to purchase.

Next Tuesday half interests in the Mammoth and Sunrise claims, on Pilot creek, owned by F. S. Macfarlane, will be sold by the deputy sheriff, Mr. Elkins, at public auction.

Representatives of a syndicate of capitalists of Portland, Ore., have visited the camp during the past two weeks and examining the Windmill, in Wellington, with a view of purchasing the property.

D. Carmody, a prominent Victoria lumberman, arrived in Greenwood last week and left to inspect some timber limits at the headwaters of Kettle river. Mr. Carmody expressed himself as being favorably impressed with Greenwood, and before returning to the coast he intends investing in one or two of the surrounding mining camps.

Mr. H. J. Donnelly, an experienced mining man who spent several years in South Africa, arrived in Greenwood a few days ago and will remain for some time. Mr. Donnelly is well pleased with the district, but thinks a law should be enforced compelling the removal of stakes on all claims on which no assessment work has been done. Stakes being upon abandoned claims give prospectors a great deal of trouble.

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Prospectors coming in from the West fork of Kettle river report having met a party of prospectors sent out by the Columbia & Western Railway Company. The leader of the party was uncommunicative as to its object, but it is understood that the company is anxious to secure all the information possible regarding the district before deciding whether to accept the subsidy of \$4,000 a mile in preference to the land grant.

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