

NEWS AND GOSSIP FROM GREENWOOD

(Special to The Miner.) GREENWOOD, B. C., Sept. 5.—R. Hinton, assistant manager of the Bank of Montreal at Vancouver, came in on yesterday's train on a visit of inspection to the bank's local branch. Mayor George R. Naden of Greenwood has gone to California on a business trip. He will be absent about a fortnight. In his absence Alderman Duncan Ross is acting mayor. About ten days ago a telegram was sent jointly by the presidents of the boards of trade of Greenwood and Phoenix inviting the British journalists now on a tour of the province to visit the Boundary mines and smelters. Yesterday a reply was received from W. T. R. Preston, Dominion immigration agent, who appears to have charge of the arrangements of the tour, to the effect that the party will reach Greenwood next Monday. Acting on a suggestion received, it is intended to show the visitors the industrial resources of the district to as great an extent as shall be practicable in the limited time they will be in it, rather than take up their time with banquets and similar entertainments, of which they have doubtless by now had quite a surfeit.

Last night the mayor and aldermen of the Phoenix city council, accompanied by several officials from that town, met the Greenwood city council here by invitation in conference regarding the proposal to build an electric tramway to connect the two towns and thereby much improve the means of communication between them. The conference was of an informal nature and opinions were freely expressed and advantages and objections discussed in a thorough but quite friendly spirit. The visitors were afterwards entertained at supper at the Imperial hotel, where an excellent spread was served. Later the tramway subject was further talked over, the exchanges of ideas being relieved by occasional songs and witty speeches. No definite understanding was arrived at as to what specific action shall be taken to further the object in view, but it was generally conceded that a tramway would be a decided advantage to the towns, and there was a disposition shown by the visitors, notwithstanding that some of the Phoenix people consider that the greater benefit would be in favor of Greenwood, to give the matter their earnest and favorable consideration and to support any scheme that shall come before them in their judgment as affording Phoenix some reasonable assistance towards building up that town.

ALL HANDS CALLED OUT TO FIGHT BUSH FIRE

(Special to The Miner.) GREENWOOD, B. C., Sept. 4.—C. W. Chesterton, of the local staff of the Bank of Montreal, has left for Vancouver after a residence in Greenwood of nearly four years, having been sent in by the bank when the Greenwood branch was opened in the fall of 1898. George W. Fraser, at one time master mechanic at the Montreal & Boston Copper company's Sunset mines near Greenwood, and afterwards occupying a similar capacity at the Granby company's mines at Phoenix, has returned to the Boundary to fill the position of master mechanic at the B. C. Copper company's Mother Lode mine in succession to R. W. Hinton, who lately left the Mother Lode for the Le Rod, Rossland. D. Simpson, inspector for the Bank of British North America, came in on yesterday morning's train on his periodical visit of inspection of the local branch of the bank. Yesterday witnessed a fortunate escape from another shut-down, of the local mines and smelters for a further period of a month or six weeks. Towards evening the C. P. R. agent at Greenwood received a telephone message from Deadwood townsite to the effect that a bush fire was getting dangerously near the two big trestle bridges on which the Mother Lode branch of the railway crosses a deep gulch between Deadwood and the Sunset mines. A request was immediately telephoned to the Mother Lode for assistance until the railway section men could get over the four miles of upgrade between the trestles and Greenwood. General Manager Keffer was just about to leave the mine for his home in Anaconda, but instead he hastily summoned a gang of men from the mine and they ran down the track about a mile to the scene of the danger, where they beat back the fire until the C. P. R. men arrived to keep it away from the timbers of the bridge. These men remained at hand through the night until all risk of damage to the bridges had passed away. Had one or both of these trestles been destroyed the sources of supply of ores for the Greenwood and Boundary Falls smelters would have had to remain closed down for the several weeks that re-erection of the bridges would have taken, which would have been a disastrous experience following so closely upon the two months of enforced idleness just brought to an end by the receipt of sufficient coke to allow of the smelters resuming work.

SHIPMENTS FROM BOUNDARY FOR CURRENT YEAR

(Special to The Miner.) GREENWOOD, B. C., Sept. 6.—Ore shipments from Boundary for the current year have now exceeded the aggregate of 300,000 tons. Last year's aggregate was about 287,000 and that of the year 1900 about 98,000, so that the grand total of the district's tonnage to date now reaches about 785,000 tons. The shortage of coke during July and August caused a suspension of work

in the mines and smelters, and reduced the year's output by at least 100,000 tons. The total treatment capacity of the three district smelters is now about 2500 tons daily, so if nothing prevents them from working their full capacity the remainder of this year the total production of the district mines for 1902 should reach nearly 600,000 tons by December 31st.

MR. BORDEN INVITED.

Grand Forks People Desire Him to Visit Their City.

GREENWOOD, B. C., Sept. 6.—At a meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association held here this evening much dissatisfaction was expressed at the newspaper reports that Mr. Borden's party did not intend to visit the Boundary district. It was resolved to extend a warm invitation to them urging them to visit here on or about the 18th inst. The secretary was also instructed to enter into communication with the other associations of the Boundary at once with the object of securing a full attendance of delegates from each point for the convention at Revelstoke. There will be about 20 delegates in all. The names of delegates appointed from this point are George Fraser, Charles Cumings, H. S. Cayley and E. Miller. A resolution was passed by the meeting in favor of party lines in provincial politics.

TEMPLEMAN AND MORRISON.

They Received a Hearty Welcome at Grand Forks.

GREENWOOD, B. C., Sept. 6.—Senator Templeman, the British Columbia member of the Dominion government, reached here today on a tour of the interior. He is accompanied by Aulay Morrison, M. P. They were given a reception this evening by the local Liberal association. Hon. Mr. Templeman was asked to recommend the erection of a federal building in Grand Forks for the use of customs, postoffice and inland revenue. The visitors leave Monday for Greenwood and will also inspect various mining camps in the Boundary district, including the Granby mines at Phoenix.

HEAVY FROSTS.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Sept. 6.—Heavy frosts in some sections of Orange, Sullivan and Delaware counties last night wrought destruction to the crops.

COMFORTABLY SETTLED—

Writing to Rossland friends from his new home in Ouray, Colo., Henry Krumb, M. E., states that he is now comfortably settled and hard at work again. He describes the property with which he is connected as an extensive high grade gold proposition recently taken over by an English company. The mine is located at an elevation of 11,300 feet, almost at timber line.

CLIMBING THE LADDER—

Rossland friends will learn with mingled pleasure and regret of the departure this morning from Rossland of George Henry Winter, accountant at the local branch of the Bank of British North America for the past two years. Mr. Winter goes to Kaslo, where he will assume the management of the bank's business in the city and district, an important post in view of the rich mineral resources of the district now being developed. The departing banker's friends will join The Miner in extending congratulations and hearty wishes for future success in his profession.

BELIEVES IN FUTURE—

Alexander Sharp, M. E., returned yesterday from the Similkameen where he has spent the past five months. He reports good progress in the development of the coal and metalliferous resources of the district, and expresses the opinion that with promised railroad facilities the Similkameen will become one of the most important and prosperous districts of the province. Mr. Sharp leaves tomorrow for the First Thought mine at Bessburg, of which he is manager.

COCOS ISLAND TREASURE.

The Sequel is a Label Suit to Recover \$2500.

(Special to The Miner.) VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 6.—The sequel of the Cocos Island treasure expedition has materialized, the admiralty marshal having labelled the brigantine Blakely for \$2500 for wages due the crew and Enyeart and Gilbert, the promoters of the expedition. The ship will be sold after due notice.

RICH STRIKE UP NORTH FORK OF KETTLE RIVER

GRAND FORKS, B. C., Sept. 3.—John A. Keogh, a pioneer resident of this city, died of typhoid fever today after a two weeks' illness. Mr. Keogh was manager of the Suxsmith sawmills and owned extensive mining interests. He was popular with all classes. He was born in Connecticut, and before locating in the Boundary had resided in Colorado and Montana. For many years he was a confidential clerk of Col. Marcus Daly. Deceased was aged 36 years. His relatives reside in Denver. A brother, Ed Keogh, lives here. The Eagles, of which order Mr. Keogh was an active member, will have charge of the funeral arrangements. Two months ago Mr. Keogh had a narrow escape while making an unsuccessful attempt to rescue his employer, J. Suxsmith, from drowning in the Kettle river. A phenomenally rich strike has just been made in a newly discovered mineral region of wide extent situated at the headwaters of the North Fork of

Kettle river, 30 miles north of Grand Forks and about 30 miles north of the bituminous coal fields. Frank Fritz and C. W. Harrigan, two local prospectors, staked four claims and hastened here to record their locations. They report that they have found a ledge of galena and grey copper averaging 10 inches to three feet in width and traceable on the surface for six hundred feet. Surface specimens, assayed at the Granby smelter, gave values of 590 ounces silver and 15 per cent copper and 55 ounces silver and 10 per cent copper per ton respectively. They have named the new district Thunder Hill Camp, and report that they passed over many inferior looking ledges. Many prospectors are preparing to go in this week. The trail ends at the coal fields. The camp is situated within two miles of the source of the North Fork, and just this side of the range separating the North Fork from Fire Valley, which is accessible from the Arrow lakes.

REPUBLIC ORES REACH THE GRANBY SMELTER

GRAND FORKS, B. C., Sept. 4.—Two hundred and fifty tons of ore from the mines at Republic were delivered by the Kettle Valley Lines at the Granby smelter today. The shipments were made up as follows: San Poil, 100 tons. North San Poil, 100 tons. Princess Sault, 50 tons. Twelve cars are now being loaded with ore at Republic. The Kettle Valley Line has just ordered 20 additional ore cars. The volume of Republic ore that can be treated here will be restricted temporarily owing to the low water in the Kettle river, whence the Granby smelter derives its electrical

power. Only two furnaces are in operation. The smelters at Greenwood and Boundary Falls, however, have agreed to take a maximum of 125 tons of Republic ore daily. This arrangement, which will be permanent, will afford some relief, and the situation will be further improved as soon as the two remaining furnaces of the Granby plant are "blown in." The Kettle Valley Lines had the C. P. R. will quote the same freight and treatment rate, viz., \$6.50 per ton for Republic ore delivered to the smelters at Greenwood and Boundary Falls, hence the mine owners will not be charged extra for the longer haul.

MONO-RAIL ELECTRIC LINES TO BE BUILT

(Special to The Miner.)

KASLO, B. C., Sept. 3.—A syndicate has been formed and is applying for powers to operate mono-rail electric lines in this district, with headquarters at Kaslo. The company have already secured the water right on Kaslo river suitable for their purpose and have had the property surveyed. The system of tramways proposed will be so constructed as to carry both passengers and freight from any part of Kootenay lake and to the headwaters of the Duncan river. The same company are also applying for powers to build, maintain and operate smelters, concentrators, and other works for the treatment of ores. Should this proposition go through, and there seems but little doubt of its genuine success, its operation will be of inestimable benefit to all this neighborhood, and especially to the immediate district of Kaslo, which city will be the centre and base of operations.

also from Kaslo City to the headwaters of the south fork of Kaslo river, and further from a point near Crawford Bay, on Kootenay lake, to the headwaters of Crawford creek. They were also applying for powers to build and operate smelters, refineries, concentrators and other works for the treatment of ores. He also stated that the company had already secured water rights on Kaslo river and that Kaslo would be the headquarters of the operations. Surveyor J. H. Gray is at the present time out with a party of men surveying the supposed routes of the tram lines. It is understood, though the information could not be obtained from Mr. Martin, that it is Minneapolis capitalists who are at the back of the enterprise, and that Messrs. Judson & Loyed are, with others, amongst the members of the syndicate. Should this scheme go through, and there seems but little doubt as to the result of the initial steps, large sections of the surrounding district will be opened up and mines and other mineral claims which have so far been hampered by the want of transportation facilities, will be enabled to open up and operate more freely. Power houses, wharves, docks, etc., will have to be built and the construction of the roadways, together with all the other necessary works, will give employment to hundreds of men. Once in running order the cost of operating will be a minimum, as the company will utilize as much as possible the vast water power which at the present time is going to waste in the neighboring streams and rivers.

YACHTING IS YACHTING.

Experience of Party Who Tried to Sail the Sea O'er on Kootenay Lake.

(Special to The Miner.)

KASLO, B. C., Sept. 1.—Yesterday being Labor Day most of the business houses in this city closed, and a number of picnic parties were arranged, amongst which was a water party to Fletcher's Falls, and two young men, anxious to give their best girls a special treat, hired the yacht Gosoon from Lindsey and started ahead of the others. Neither of them were in a proper sense "yachtsmen," and though at first all went well they eventually discovered that it was the boat which was doing the steering and not themselves. Eventually they had to lower sail and signal for help. Two young ladies belonging to the picnic party heard their shouts and went alone to the rescue, the yacht was towed to Fletcher's Falls, anchored in the small bay near and left to her fate. This morning the steamer Inter-national reports that she found the yacht drifting about in the lake, and that by the captain's orders she had been taken in tow as far as Ainsworth and left there. Lindsey has now dispatched two men to recover what is left of his yacht and the two amateur "yachtsmen" are shaking in their shoes as to the amount of damages they are likely to be called upon to pay and are feeling sadder, if not wiser "yachtsmen."

TRUE BLUE MINE.

Arrangements Will Be Made to Resume Operations.

(Special to The Miner.)

KASLO, B. C., Sept. 4.—James Cronin, the manager of the St. Eugene Consolidated, was in Kaslo this week, and together with J. C. Drewery, paid a visit to the True Blue mine on Kaslo mountain. He thoroughly examined the workings and the opinion is that his report to the directors of the True Blue Mining company will be favorable. Should this be so arrangements will be made to resume operations and to put in an aerial tram line so as to facilitate shipping.

The Kaslo-Slocan Railway company and allied connections have announced the holding of their annual general meeting to take place at the offices of the company in this city on Wednesday next, the 8th inst. The local Conservative association has called a meeting for next Saturday in order to elect delegates to the Revelstoke convention, which is to take place on the 13th and 14th instants.

B. C. FISHERIES.

Talk in Connection With Leases, Traps and Other Matters.

(Special to The Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 6.—Messrs. Walker of the Bank of Commerce and A. Irving, barrister, Toronto, had an interview with Sutherland last evening in reference to the British Columbia fisheries. They represent the company that bought out a number of British Columbia canneries some time ago, and their talk was in connection with leases, traps and other matters.

METAL QUOTATIONS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—Copper firm, \$11.75@11.85. Lead quiet, 4 1/2.

WHAT SIFTON HAS TO SAY IN INTERVIEW

(Special to The Miner.) VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 4.—The Times' Ottawa special says Sifton was interviewed re Tarte's recent speeches on the tariff, and said that if Tarte favored an increase of the tariff he expressed his own views and not those of the government of the liberal party.

He says any such increase will meet with the strenuous opposition of every liberal west of the Great Lakes. Regarding Rose's candidature in Yukon he says he will surely be elected, and adds that had it not been for Rose's illness he would have expected him to be summoned to the cabinet to represent the west along with himself and Templeman.

THE ENGLISH EDITORS AT THE ISLAND CITY

(Special to The Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 4.—The British editors arrived here last night and visited Chinatown. Today they drive all about the city, Esquimalt, etc. Tonight they go as the guests of the government on board the Yosemite, and by dawn will be at Crofton, where they will visit the smelter, also Mount Slesker, Chemainus, Ladysmith and Nanaimo, crossing over Saturday morning to Vancouver and taking the Imperial Limited east. The Mount Baker hotel at Oak Bay, where the Duke of York resided, was burnt to the ground this morning. The building was valued at \$50,000 and the furniture at \$10,000. The insurance on the building was \$14,000 and on the furniture \$4000. Some of the guests lost all their effects.

ANOTHER DISPATCH.

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 4.—The Mount Baker hotel at Oak Bay was completely destroyed by fire this morning. The fire is believed to have started from the kitchen. The house was crowded with guests, all of whom got out safely, although some lost their effects. There was no water available, and there was nothing to do but to allow the building to burn. Some of the furniture was saved. The building was a large wooden one, beautifully situated on Oak Bay and was well patronized by tourists. The loss is \$30,000, with little insurance. The English editors who are touring Canada were today the guests of the city, Tomorrow the government will take them to the Crofton and Ladysmith smelting centres, the Mount Slesker copper mining camp and the Nanaimo coal fields.

SOME GOOD ADVICE TO ENGLISH EDITORS

(Special to The Miner.)

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 5.—Tomorrow (Saturday) there will take place here what is called the "British Columbia amateur athletic championship meet." Its better title would be the British Columbia Coast meet, because there are no entries from Kootenay and it is probable that no endeavor has been made to secure any. The coast is not the only part of the province, as Rossland has often pointed out. It may be said, however, that Vancouver would have gladly welcomed any athletes from the mining country, but, unfortunately, the prizes offered could not be made sufficiently attractive to induce anyone from a distance to come here. This province is not yet advanced enough and populous enough to go in for championship meets on eastern scale. While on the subject, however, it does seem right that an effort should now be made to include the whole province in the lacrosse, football and other schedules so that the different contests may take on a really British Columbia aspect as distinct from a coast one, which obtains at present. The result ought to be more interest in sport all over the province. In connection with Saturday's athletics the entries are chiefly from Vancouver and Victoria, and they number enough to guarantee a successful afternoon at Brockton Point. Vancouver newspapers have been urging the British newspaper men, who arrived today, to by no means lose the opportunity of going to Ross-

land and Nelson. To come across 6000 miles of water and land to return without seeing the mining region of British Columbia is little less than a crime on the part of the British newspaper men, and they are being told to fix their program to take in the mines, even at some inconvenience. The party is the most important that ever crossed the continent, and what the journalists say in their influential papers will have great effect on investors. Anyone at all familiar with British newspapers knows that the giants of the front rank are such men as E. G. Lestage of the Daily Telegraph, one of the best known hallmarks of Fleet Street; A. E. Fletcher, for some time editor of the Daily Chronicle and now representing that great radical paper; Hugh Spender of the Westminster Gazette and Daily Express, who comes of the Spender family, famous in London newspaperdom and fiction circles; R. W. Watson of the Manchester Guardian, one of the great standbys of the "provincial" press; Arthur Copping of the Daily News, a learned and powerful writer. The others in the party have equal claims for recognition, and it is incumbent on them to, if at all possible, go to the Kootenay. There are "buts" in Colonel Prior's talk since the minister of mines got back from the Kootenay. He recognizes that the Kootenays demand the rescinding of the two per cent tax, "but," he said, "the great wish of the mining men is that there should be no change in the law." That but makes the sentence contradictory.

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY.

Wierd Story Comes From Atlin of Expedition of Discovery.

(Special to The Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 3.—Information has been received here by the authorities that on June 27th a small expedition started from Atlin to discover and photograph the small block stone building and boundary post said to be situated about 55 miles north of Rainy River, and to mark the old Alaskan boundary. The investigator is an American citizen named J. H. DeBlondeau, and he is accompanied by two Indians. At Wells, in the Porcupine country, he told the Indians that he would give \$5000 for information which would lead to the discovery of the post.

PENDER ISLAND IMPROVEMENT.

Will Cost \$10,000—Greatly Benefited the Settlers.

(Special to The Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 4.—Ralph Smith, Templeman and Engineer Keffer went to Pender Island yesterday on the Princess to investigate the work there. They found that the work of cutting the channel through the island, though greatly facilitating communication for settlers and the mail boat, would cost a great deal more than originally intended. It will be done in ten days and will cost ten thousand dollars.

YUKON ELECTIONS.

Nomination November 4th, the Election December 2nd.

(Special to The Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 3.—The Times' Ottawa special says a writ for the Yukon elections was issued today; nomination November 4th, election December 2nd.

Wallace Broad of St. John, N. B., has been appointed adviser to the minister of mines in China.

TEMPLEMAN'S PROPOSED TRIP.

(Special to The Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 5.—Templeman left this morning for Seattle. There he will be joined by Aulay Morrison on a trip to Republic, Grand Forks, Greenwood, Rossland, Nelson, Fernie, Kaslo, Slocan and Revelstoke.

GRANBY SMELTER.

GRAND FORKS, B. C., Sept. 5.—During the week ended today the Granby smelter treated 5922 tons of ore. Grand total treated to date, 599,172 tons.

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