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ADVICE TO PILGRIMS.

The following from the *Ledge* is applicable to other districts beside the Kootenay, hence we reproduce it "for the benefit of all whom it may concern."

As a bright light attracts moths to its flame, so do the riches and fame of Kootenay attract thousands of people anxious to better their fortunes. We would like to make a few remarks upon the rush to Kootenay.

It is true that the district is a rich one, but its inhabitants cannot support all the paupers, drones, hoboes and broken people of America.

It is true that Kootenay has plenty of gold and silver, but it is in the solid formation, and cannot be picked up from the road-side like shells from the ocean's shore.

It is true that there is plenty to do, but every job has more than one man for it.

It is true that living is comparatively high and that the man with only a nickel or two is strictly not in it.

It is true that fortunes can be made, but seldom without capital to st. twth. or extraordinary luck.

To the pilgrims and tenderfeet who are thinking of coming to this glorious country we would say:

Have money in plenty or an assured situation before you bid the folks adieu. If you don't you may have to sleep in the street and chew scenery for breakfast.

Do not come out here and expect that you are smarter than the natives. Some of the brightest minds on earth breathe the ozone in Kootenay and it is hard to keep up with them.

If you have failed everywhere else do not expect to be any better here, and you will not be disappointed.

If you are tough and ordered to leave your community do not come at all. You will find competition too keen.

If you have little money but plenty of manhood and are composed of the same stuff as the trail blazers of this great country, come along. You will win in the end provided you do not bond yourself to boozereeno, cards and the woman in red.

The Wall Street reporter of New York says: "Eminent mining engineers, representing London and Paris capital are authority for the statement that within a radius of a dozen miles of Rossland na-

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\$3000—Fine residence on Barclay street, between Burrard and Thurlow; 10 rooms, modern, beautiful grounds; lot 65 x 122; easily worth \$6000.

\$2800—10-room modern residence, Haro street, on the hill; fine view of English bay and inlet; nice grounds; lot 66 x 122; \$1800 can remain; \$1000 cash for equity.

\$4375—25 foot improved business property near corner of Carrall and Hastings; good rental, terms can be arranged.

\$140—Per foot for choice buy on Hastings, between Abbott and Carrall; 42 feet frontage; adjoining lot held at \$250 per foot.

33—Feet on Hastings, between Carrall and Abbott for \$1000. If your head is clear and your pocket full, it won't take you very long to secure this buy.

\$1300—Will make a good buy on Westminster avenue, business property, and coming rapidly to the front.

\$500—Three good lots on Mount Pleasant, Fifth avenue west; can have nice garden; lots 49 1/2 x 125.

\$400—Cash for equity in No. 951 Hornby street, modern 8-room house; mortgage, \$1350 at 8 per cent.; newly built.

\$3750—Best double corner on Georgia street, faces on three streets; 132 x 132 to a 35-foot alley.

\$800—For equity in 8-room modern house, Homer street, near Georgia; price \$1700, balance \$29.70 per month.

\$400—Good lot on Seymour street, adjoining lots held at \$500.

\$250—A dandy lot on Harris street in East end. Cash tells on this buy.

\$3000—Fine 7-room modern house, Seymour street, between Georgia and Dunsmuir; 50 x 122; fine lawn; just in rear of Hudson's Bay store, Granville street; cost \$800; must be sold.

\$300—Cash for equity in 7-room modern house, Howe street, near corner of Smith; mortgage \$1200 at 8 per cent.; in good order.

\$2500—Finest double corner of the hill; fine view of the inlet and bay; must be sold at once; 132 x 132 to a 35-foot alley.

50—Foot business property, Westminster avenue, to trade for vacant lots in the West end.

160—Acre Farm, which I will trade for city property, vacant or improved.

\$2800—I will loan this amount on first mortgage on good improved city property.

WILL trade a nice residence property in Vernon for Vancouver city property.

I HAVE a few choice buys in West end lots, 66 x 132, at from \$600 to \$1500.

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