

### A FOOLISH SCHEME

J. B. Powell Booming a Wagon Road from Edmonton to Klondike.

### NELSON'S WATER SYSTEM

George McFarland Appointed Inspector of the Reservoir in Which, It is Said, People Have Been Bathing at Night—A Lively Scrap.

NELSON, Aug. 19.—[Special.]—There is more or less Klondike fever here and many are getting ready to go there in the spring. J. B. Powell, who is to be manager of the Great Canadian Development & Mining company, is in the city awaiting the arrival of the president of the company. The enterprise is a formidable one, for it involves the building of thousands of miles of wagon road. The first survey will leave Edmonton on the first of September, taking only the men who are to work on the survey. There will be two lines. One party will go in by way of the Liard river, which is one of the main branches of the Mackenzie river. The other will go by way of the Pelly river, one of the head waters of the Yukon. As the survey party proceeds, stables will be erected every 12 miles, as when the road is finished parties will change horses at every stable, and it is calculated 100 miles a day can be covered. Canyons and reindeer will be used. Stores will be erected every few miles and be fully provisioned. It is calculated to furnish every man who goes by way of this road with provisions for one year and transportation for \$500. He will be given a certificate and can get provisions at any of the stores during the year. If he wishes he can sell the certificate. Other companies permit no transference of certificates. By the first of May it is thought the road will be finished, though there will be hundreds of bridges to be built, etc. Ottawa and Montreal capital is back of it, and the work will be ever secured. The Dominion government and the C. P. R. have given the enterprise their hearty co-operation.

W. Perkins, the mining broker, will organize a party to leave soon. His sons will also accompany them, and all are practical miners and prospectors.

### Municipal Matters.

At an adjourned meeting of the city council today an inspector for the city reservoir was appointed, George McFarland securing the position at a salary of \$4 per day. He will be a sort of assistant engineer. The milk and bread by-laws were passed, and the contract for valves for the water system was given to a firm of Troy, N. Y., represented by Frank Darling. The clothing of the family and \$150 in cash, which was in a valise, was burned. Quite a sum in jewelry were lost, in all over \$800 with no insurance. It was caused by a defective fire.

### Personals and Brevities.

Nelson is becoming more and more a city. We may have no public school but we have a kindergarten. On the second of September a branch of the Theosophical society will be organized by Mrs. Agnes Shotwell Heath, of Seattle, who is now a resident of Nelson. Vice-President Shaughnessy of the C. P. R. is expected in Nelson next Monday. The city has decided to raise the water rates. In some cases a large advance will be made. One prominent hotel, instead of paying \$5 per month will pay \$22. A good deal of kicking is anticipated. The body of Carrie Wilson, alias Alice Willis, was sent home to her mother in Austin, Texas, today in accordance with instructions received. The cabin of George Jones, a carpenter, was burned yesterday, being so far up the hill that the fire boys could do very little. The clothing of the family and \$150 in cash, which was in a valise, was burned. Quite a sum in jewelry were lost, in all over \$800 with no insurance. It was caused by a defective fire. Charles Grant, of Roseland, is registered at the Nelson hotel. He is here looking after mining interests and is to leave soon for Mexico on a business trip. Harry White, of Roseland, is in the city. He came to attend a sitting of the court, but as it does not convene until the 26th, he will go to Roseland and see after his mining interests there. He has just returned from Alaska, where his company holds large interests and tells some good stories about the Klondike craze.

### HIGH GRADE COPPER ORE.

Good Strike Made on the Josie Mine Near Grand Forks.

GRAND FORKS, Aug. 19.—[Special.]—Captain A. L. Rogers, owner of the Josie property in Summit camp, has just finished doing the assessment work on that property, and has during the continuance of this work encountered a fine body of copper ore, which showed an assay return of some 40 per cent copper. Mr. Rogers says the ledge is over eight feet in width and is a mammoth body of copper ore. He intends to sink a 50-foot shaft on this property at once and will thus try and demonstrate what is in the Josie. E. M. Johnson, the well known real estate dealer of Victoria, has been in the city for the last few days. He is

here making his regular annual trip to Grand Forks, where he has large land interests, being the owner of the well known Johnson ranch, which joins the city limits. He says that a railroad must come through this city whenever it penetrates this section and predicts the entrance of one before many months.

### WAGON ROAD TO MIDWAY.

A new wagon road is being made from Midway direct to Grand Forks. The route laid out for this new road is down the main Kettle river direct to Grand Forks. When the road is completed travelers bound for the Midway country can take this road and will not be compelled to go over the boundary mountains to Greenwood and Ansaconda as at present. The Midway Townsite company started the road and to them alone belongs the credit of opening up a rich portion of the Boundary Creek and Kettle River districts.

### Leonard Norris, government agent at Vernon, is expected to arrive in the city this evening on his annual visit to this section. He will likely be met by a delegation of citizens on his arrival.

A case that created an unusual amount of gossip in this city occurred last Tuesday when one of our city barristers went to bathing in a nude condition inside the city limits and right in full view of a number of the ladies of the city. There was a strong feeling of indignation on the part of the citizens over the conduct of this individual, and he was arrested, but as it appeared he was not quite himself when he did this act, it was decided to give him another chance and so the matter was virtually dropped in the meantime.

Messrs. Townsends and Hewitt, of the Grand Forks brewery, are now turning out a good article in the beer line, and this beer is in demand as far as Camp McKinney. They now find it necessary to brew once a week, each brewing being some 300 gallons. Little Helen Ingraham, who was thrown from her pony a few days ago and was supposed to have been seriously hurt, is around again as well as ever, but she will probably be more cautious in future.

### WAGON ROAD TO YMIR MINE.

The Contract Has Been Let and 40 Men Are at Work.

Ymir, Aug. 19.—[Special.]—Work was commenced on Monday last on the new wagon road to the Ymir mine. There were 14 tenders for the contract, out of which that put in by Messrs. Nott & Thompson, of Nelson, was the one accepted. The road is to have a nine-foot bed and will be 4-3/5 miles in length. Three switchbacks will be necessary and six bridges are included in the contract. Although the new road will not follow the present trail throughout its length, the approach to the town will remain the same, the present bridge over the Salmon being used. At present 40 men are employed on the work, and the force is being increased daily. The contract has a time limit to the 1st of October next.

### Test Shipment to London.

The Duncan syndicate, owners of the Wren mine, on the South Fork of the Wild Horse, are contemplating a shipment of ten tons of ore to London, England, to undergo treatment there by a patent dry process. This is the first experiment of the kind which has been tried by any of the mines in the vicinity, and if the results are satisfactory it cannot fail to have a good effect upon the value of the ore in this camp. The great drawback to the working of our mines is the high charge now ruling for freight and treatment. The wagon roads now going in will give considerably increased facilities for getting out the ore, while if the Duncan experiment turns out well we may expect that the cost of reducing the ores will also be materially lessened. There are several mines in the vicinity which have large quantities of shipping ore on their dumps, but are only waiting like the War Eagle in Roseland, for lower charges for shipment and reduction.

### Porto Rico and Three B's.

Work on the Porto Rico mine is being pushed on very rapidly. Two tunnels are being worked by the company's men while three other 100-foot tunnels have been contracted for. At present about 30 men are employed on the mine. About a mile and a half from the Porto Rico, and half a mile from the new wagon road, is the Three B's. This is a very promising prospect owned by Messrs. Cunningham, Hutchinson and Kroese. An assay recently taken gave \$9.50 in gold. At present the work done consists of a shaft now down about 30 feet. Five men are at work on the property.

### Land Titles Settled.

The property owners in Ymir are generally satisfied at the result of the land case heard in Victoria. Now that Mr. Corbin's title to the land is cleared and he is able to give deeds for the lots, it is felt that the town is on a better business footing, and business men are more inclined to lay out their capital than before. Besides this it is confidently expected that Mr. Corbin will now proceed further with the work of laying out the town, grading roads, etc. He has done so much while the title was still in abeyance that great expectations have been aroused as to his future intentions.

### Public School to Be Opened.

A public school will be shortly opened here. Messrs. Delahay, Buckworth and McLeod are the trustees, and Miss Green has obtained the appointment as instructor.

A dance was held here on Tuesday night at the Hotel Kootenay. Quite a hundred guests attended, and during the evening sat down to a sumptuous supper, provided by Mr. Tom Flynn, the proprietor. Mr. Flynn, who is a popular character in the town, is one of the original locators of the famous Dundee mine, and is still the owner of many claims in the vicinity, some of which he claims equal his first lucky strikes.

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### TRAIL-ROBSON ROAD

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### WILL BE STANDARD GAUGE

Railway is 25 Miles in Length and 56 Pounds Rails Will Be Used—Narrow Gauge Line to Roseland to Be Widened.

TRAIL, Aug. 20.—[Special.]—One hundred tracklayers are wanted at Trail immediately. William Winters, of the firm of Winters, Parsons & Boomer, who constructed the Trail-Robson road, has just returned from a business trip to Butte. Tomorrow, if he can secure the men, he will commence laying rails on the Trail-Robson road, from the Robson end. The tracks will be standard gauge, and will be extended clear to Trail. While it is not definitely settled, it has been learned from other sources that, as soon as Trail is reached, the track to Roseland will be widened, thus making a complete line from Nelson to Roseland. For the present an immense ferry will be constructed to transport the rails at Robson, and this will remain until replaced by a bridge.

The road is 25 miles in length, and will be covered with 56-pound rails, in a comparative easy grade, and over Stony creek there has been built the latest trestle bridge in Kootenay. It is 700 feet in length and 150 feet high. The contractors have been skrimishing everywhere during the past few days for tracklayers, and need men and need them at once. Efforts are now being made to secure a force from Roseland or Spokane.

Mr. Winters says there is much activity in Butte, and another 300-mile smelter is about to be erected there. Many of the mines in the immediate vicinity are being bought up and developed by English capital.

### SMELETER CITY GOSSIP.

Unsurveyed Portion of Trail to be Platted as One-ore Shipments.

TRAIL, Aug. 20.—[Special.]—Mr. F. P. Gutelius is erecting two cottages for investment purposes. This was pay day for the smelter and railway employees. The river is gradually falling and has thus far receded 10 feet from its highest point. It was not nearly so high this year, as in the past.

W. E. Hamilton, traveling auditor for the C. P. R., came down on this morning's boat, and another 300-mile smelter is about to be erected there. The Bradon corner, one of the best corners in Trail, which was recently sold to George Williams & Co., is being remodeled. Additional show windows will be used for squatters and the like.

Rev. D. McG. Gaudier, of Clark's Mills, near Kingston, Ont., is a guest of Rev. Mr. Glassford, the Presbyterian church at Roseland has tendered Mr. Gaudier a call, and he will probably be their future pastor. About 20 cars of ore are now coming over the Columbia & Western, daily. Of this number, 16 are from the Le Roi and the other four consist of Iron Mountain and Columbia and Kootenay. Engine No. 3, which went over the embankment at Roseland, is again on the run, and engine No. 1 will be out of the shops in a few days, after having been thoroughly overhauled.

The townsite owners, Messrs. Topping, Daniel and Heinze, are preparing to plat the unsurveyed portion of the townsite. Their interests have suffered materially by delay, as it is estimated that at least two-thirds of the families of Trail are squatters. This has reduced the demand for residence lots to such an extent that an immediate survey has been deemed necessary.

Grand Chancellor Commander J. E. Evans, of the Knights of Pythias, visited Trail last evening, and delivered an interesting address on the growth and objects of the order. An informal social was then held during which sandwiches, coffee and cake, together with cigars, were enjoyed. The lodge here has about 45 members enrolled. The officers are Noble Binns, C. C.; George Chappel, V. C. C.; John J. Inkster, keeper of records and seals; William Chase, M. W.; Fred Kummer, M. A.; A. V. Leonard, M. E.; S. H. Roach, M. F.; J. A. Clarke, prelate; Clay Mauntelle, I. G.; M. B. Levine, O. G. The lodge is in excellent financial condition, and in point of membership is rapidly increasing.

### TRAIL MINING NOTES.

TRAIL, Aug. 20.—[Special.]—The merits of at least one of the properties on Lookout mountain are to be determined by Ontario capitalists, who are interested in the Little Giant group. The principal owners of this group were in Trail this week, and had a conference with Mr. Heinze, after which they were entertained by a number of citizens at the Crown Point hotel. The visitors consisted of H. Cargill, wife and two daughters, of Cargill, Ont.; M. O. Tibbitts and wife, and Dr. Landner, M.P., of Hanover, Ont. They visited the property, and so pleased was Mr. Cargill with the work already done that he expressed the intention to expend \$5,000 in work, and if the showing warranted to put in machinery. The party left yesterday for Nelson.

Work is still progressing on the Bruce mine, above the sawmill, and additional specimens of quartz, showing pure gold, were brought down today. The Bryan group at Waterloo, which showed up \$800 ore, is being developed. Tom Robins has taken a contract to sink a 25-foot shaft.

### Provincial Record Broken.

VICTORIA, Aug. 21.—L. A. Campbell this morning rode 100 miles and one-tenth over the Victoria century course in 6:59-30, breaking the provincial and northwest records, formerly established by Baker a week ago at 8:10. Nevins, Galloway and Dallin also secured century honors. Campbell would like to meet Baker over the course here, before the close of the season for sport only, and thinks he can bring the mark down to even six hours.

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### ENGINEER'S REPORT.

The property consists of La Regina Mineral Claim, aggregating an area of about 19 1/2 acres. TITLE—The title of this claim is vested in La Regina Gold Mining Company by crown grant. There is no lien or incumbrance against the property.

LOCATION—The La Regina is situated in Trail Creek mining division, B. C., about two and a half miles distant from Roseland, about half a mile from Milk Ranch railroad station, and four miles from Trail smelter. The claim is traversed by a wagon road connecting Roseland and Trail, is fifty feet above and about two hundred feet distant from railroad track, consequently a claim with ideal shipping facilities.

The adjoining claims are the Bellevue on the north, the Blackbird Fraction and Buckeye on the east, the Vulcan Fraction on the southeast, and Vulcan on the south.

FORMATION—The formation of this claim is granite, crossed by porphyry dikes in a southeast and northwesterly direction. Along the outcrop of these dikes the country rock is stained for some distance, caused by the character of the ore, an iron pyrrhotite. The surface of the property is more or less covered by erosion and shows glacial action, but wherever the formation is bare a ledge can be traced through the entire length of the claim.

DEVELOPMENT—The development work consists of one shaft, 45 feet deep in porphyry, strongly mineralized; near the surface is oxidized matter, after this the rock carries fine grained arsenopyrite, pyrrhotite and copper pyrites, assaying .09 gold and 1 oz. silver, with trace of copper. Shaft 2, 32 feet deep, about 50 feet north of shaft 1, in same formation, showing exactly the same character of ore and similar returns as former.

Besides above mentioned works there is a crosscut 40 feet long, 8 feet deep, and on another place further north an open pit, partly caved, giving returns of trace of gold and 7 oz. in silver.

On each of these openings, and also on the surface, are distinct signs that the claim is cut by an ore vein, as already has been proved by finds on more developed properties surrounding the La Regina.

All the claims extensively worked around Roseland, and in the direct neighborhood of the La Regina, as the Commander, Palo Alto and San Joaquin, have furnished the proof that it is necessary to spend a certain amount of work before reaching paying ore bodies, and only a few exceptions carried higher value on or so near the surface.

I have no doubt that by sinking at shaft 1 to a distance of 100-150 feet, and cross-cutting, there will be struck an ore body with good values.

ROSSLAND, B. C., July 7, 1897.

The attention of the public is invited to La Regina Gold Mining Company, incorporated for the purpose of developing La Regina Mineral Claim, with a capital stock of 750,000 shares, 300,000 of which have been placed in the treasury, and the entire balance pooled. It will be noticed how confidently Mr. Luekmann expresses his conviction in the concluding paragraph of his report as to the ultimate success of this mine.

The entire capitalization is practically intact, only 25,000 shares of Treasury Stock having been sold.

This company was organized for honest mining. The promoters are mining men. They have borne three-fourths of the expenditures for development work to date. They seek no money for "wild catting," and they have honorably sought to protect investors in the Treasury Stock by pooling every share of the promoters.

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### KOOTENAY-TACOMA COMPANY.

Annual Meeting Held and Officers Elected—Owns Two Ymir Claims.

The Kootenay-Tacoma L. C. Mining company, which has its head office at Tacoma and a branch office and agent at Ymir, B. C., and property on Quartz creek, which consists of the Last Chance and Iron Cap claims, at its annual stockholders' meeting, held in Tacoma on August 9, elected the following directors: Conrad L. Hoeka, C. E. Peterson, Jesse C. Poyas, Ben Swanson, and H. E. Davis. The board organized August 17 by electing the following officers: Jesse C. Poyas, president; Ben Swanson, vice-president; C. E. Peterson, secretary; Conrad L. Hoeka, treasurer. Jans Olson was reappointed agent and manager at Ymir.

The report on the company's property shows that it has been well prospected and has five distinct ledges crossing the two claims, and that there has been a 26-foot shaft sunk on one ledge, which is nine feet wide, between two well defined walls and showing well mineralized rock. On another ledge, which is 14 feet wide, a shaft has been put down 16 feet in gray quartz. This is a well defined ledge and shows up well in iron pyrites and copper. On the discovery vein the shaft is down 22 feet. This is through a heavy iron capping about 20 feet wide, and shows marked improvement in every foot of depth. The ore closely resembles characteristic Roseland ore and has assayed from \$2 to \$24. A force of three or four men has been worked since April 15, and the company has now decided to sink 30 feet by contract on the discovery shaft. The property has been examined by a number of experienced miners and pronounced one of the most promising prospects in the Ymir district, and the management expresses confidence that they have a property which will be a shipper in a short time.

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