

DEVELOPMENT IN BOUNDARY

MANY OF THE PROPERTIES ARE OF HIGH GRADE ORE.

What Is Being Done and What Is Expected in Deadwood Camp—Interest Again Manifested in Camp McKinney.

Greenwood, B. C., June 11.—(Special.)—Mining development in the many camps of the Boundary district is moving along smoothly and interest now centres in the smelter returns of the mines that have started shipping. This district, somewhat generally known as the Boundary, is a strip of land in a state of high grade ore. True that some of the big mines, whose ore bodies can be defined by the acre, may be classed as being low grade, but there are others that if compared, for instance with the Rossland mines, are certainly not so. Take for instance the B. C. in Summit camp. This mine is the most extensive shipper to date in the whole district, some 3,000 tons of ore has already been sent to the Trail smelter and this too before the mine was really in a state to maintain a regular output. The correspondent has it on the best of authority that the average return of the ore netted \$12 a ton. Again take the Brandon & Golden Crown mine in Wellington Camp, recently added to the shipping ranks and what does one find from the returns of four or five carloads? The assayer's report of the ore gives it a value of \$35 to \$40 per ton. Surely this cannot be classed as low grade. Then too the ore of the Golden Eagle, in Brown's Camp, near Grand Forks, is extremely rich. Superintendent J. H. Fox was in town today and informed the correspondent that there was over 300 sacks of ore ready for shipment. Asked if he would run from \$70 to \$80 and that from the lower at 135 feet depth would go \$60, mostly in copper values. This surely does not look like low grade ore.

A brief despatch recently told of the starting of work on the Marquette claim in Deadwood Camp. The Marquette is situated near the famous Mother Lode mine and has a splendid surface showing. It has been acquired by a company formed by Andrew Laidlaw, one of Spokane's hustling mining operators. The Quebec Copper Company, Limited, of Quebec, has acquired all of E. C. Brown's interest in the claim. It is a financially strong organization and what is more the money for the development is right here, the registered office of the company, Supt. Massim has at present two shifts at work doing surface prospecting, preparatory to locating a place for sinking. At the head of the company is John T. Ross, a director of the Quebec Bank; the vice-president is John Ritchie, a wealthy wholesaler of the same city. The board of directors is composed of other well-known Eastern Canadian financial men. Altogether it is a strong company with a property that has the earmarks of becoming one of the big mines of that camp.

Today the writer spent the best part of the forenoon visiting another Deadwood Camp mine, the Buckhorn. This property is owned by a company composed of Eastern Township capitalists. W. C. Noble is resident mine manager and Walter Thomas is superintendent. Equipped with a splendid steam hoisting plant and air compressor the mine has been developed to a depth of 200 feet, and at present a connection has been made to the 100-foot level to provide ventilation development at further depth will be prosecuted. Superintendent Thomas hopes to have the mine on a shipping basis within the next two months. At the 100-foot level the crosscut has been run 250 feet in a southerly direction, the last 40 feet is all in ore matter, with stringers of rich chalcopryite running through it. It is 103 feet in this drift where men are now making an unraise of 48 feet to connect with an old incline shaft, sunk to a depth of 65 feet. This will provide ample ventilation for further development at depth. At the 200-foot level the east crosscut has been driven 140 feet and is just in ore. The west crosscut is in 130 feet and it too is in ore. The force at the mine is 16 men, working three eight-hour shifts.

Interest has again been manifested in Camp McKinney. Superintendent Thomas Graham when here yesterday with his 105 ounce gold brick did a considerable amount of missionary work in showing what the development of a property in that camp is capable of doing. The Waterloo has to date produced \$4,780 in gold bullion and so far not a pound of concentrates has been sent to the smelter. Work has been commenced on the surface in sinking the new main working shaft. It will be a double-compartment 4 1/2 x 8 feet in size. As stopping from the 65-foot level is within 15 feet of the surface little work will be necessary in sinking to make the connection, when the whole distance down to the 65-foot level will be timbered and sinking resumed from that level. A new tramway from the mill will have to be constructed, but once that is completed and the proposed new hoisting plant in place the mine will be in position to maintain a steady output, the workings being carried down in the centre of a rich pay chute, which is over 100 feet in length. The ore for this distance, the superintendent says, measures from three to five feet in width. In mine, with the present economical management the Waterloo will win a reputation as a gold producer second only to the famous Cariboo, and the shares that now go begging around five cents will be worth fully ten times their present value, for it will be a dividend payer of no mean order.

For a new district the West Fork of the Kettle river is claiming a large share of attention. Duly mining men, engineers and experts are coming and going to the camps strung along the West Fork, which leaves the main Kettle river about nine miles above Rock creek. The West Fork country, and it is a big one, was discovered two years ago. Last summer this district was thick with prospectors, and during the past winter several properties have been partially developed and prospected with splendid results. Among the heavy owners of claims is A. Branson of this city, who returned today from a two weeks' trip, making his headquarters at Beaver City, an embryonic city of the frontier style, in which A. J. Wheatley, John Bell and Ralph Snialles are interested. The townsite consists of 640 acres of land situated on the river, 35 miles above Rock creek. It boasts of a log store and hotel and the owners are now

arranging for the purchase of a sawmill plant to supply lumber for the various properties nearby as also for building up the townsite. He too adds in glowing terms the possibilities of this district becoming a big producer of gold, copper, silver and lead. While in camp he visited a number of the best-known properties, including the King Solomon, which is within a mile of Beaver City. He says that this claim has a six-foot ledge of solid quartz, carrying gold values and galena. The Washington and Idaho group is developed to a depth of 130 feet by shaft; it has also two other prospecting shafts opening the ledge to a depth of 30 and 40 feet respectively. The company owning the properties has purchased a hoisting plant and is now engaged in packing it in. The Rob Roy and Sally group, owned by Robert Wood, the founder of Greenwood, is also spoken highly of. Recent development opened up a ledge carrying well in free gold. This is also true of the Highland Chief, on which the finding of free gold caused a stampede to secure claims surrounding it. The Carmi, five miles above Beaver City, is being developed by a large force. It is another notable property. Before the close of the present year he says it is safe to estimate that there will be at least 20 working properties and by this time next year the development, if steadily carried on, will show up the West Fork to such an extent that the continuation of the railroad west from Midway will become a necessity, for there will be sufficient tonnage ready for the smelter to warrant it.

GREENWOOD NEWS.

A Newspaperman's Enthusiasm Over Myers Creek—Visitors to the City.

Greenwood, B. C., June 13.—(Special.)—Among today's arrivals in the city is W. H. Ford, business manager of the Bolster Drill, the latest paper to be published in the Myers Creek district. Mr. Ford is an enthusiast when speaking of Bolster and the many promising properties surrounding it. He says the town is growing rapidly and foundations have recently been laid for four new business buildings and a hotel. He looks for a big excitement on October 10th, when the north half of the Colville Indian Reservation is thrown open for homestead location. In his district the start for the settlers will be made from Concanully, the county seat, and from that point he expects to witness a rush that will be a second Oklahoma, as there is plenty of land available for location in the Myers Creek district.

Another visitor in the city has been the Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath, Archdeacon of New Westminster and Kootenay, who has been here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood, inspecting the work in St. Jude's mission, which he personally organized some two years since. In Greenwood, F. Parrish, manager of the B. C. mine in Summit Camp, is in town today on his way to Montreal. He informed the miner correspondent that the B. C. was shipping daily between 40 and 50 tons of ore.

OUTLOOK AT GREENWOOD.

Toronto Operators Have Secured an Option on the Early History Group.

Greenwood, B. C., June 15.—(Special.)—The prospect of a third smelter being built in the Boundary district is again being talked of. Andrew Laidlaw of Spokane, who has secured the right to build a smelter on the pyritic principle, anywhere within a radius of 15 miles of Phoenix is shortly expected in Greenwood. He has been down in Denver, Colorado, watching a series of tests by the pyritic process of a carload of ore, made up from different properties in Summit, Wellington, Greenwood, Skylark and Deadwood camps. These tests were evidently highly satisfactory to him to judge from a telegram received by George H. Collins, resident manager of the Brandon & Golden Crown mine, and shown to the correspondent of the Miner today. Five tons of ore from the Brandon & Golden Crown was tested and returned the following results: Gold, \$22.40; silver, 78 cents, and copper \$5.20; a total of \$28.38 per ton. This gross figure tallies closely with the returns of regular shipments by the mine to the Trail smelter, and goes to prove the effectiveness of pyritic smelting in saving values, as also the richness of the ore itself. So far no definite plans have been given out as to where the smelter will be located, and until Mr. Laidlaw visits Greenwood, none will be.

Toronto operators have secured an option on the Early History group in South Deadwood Camp. The group consists of the Early History, Britain, Hector and Governor, and is owned by E. C. Brown of this city, and associates. It is a promising piece of ground containing about 120 acres and is situated in close proximity to the Buckhorn mine. The principal development has been done on the Early History, disclosing a vein of ledge matter, eight feet in width. It is quartz carrying iron pyrites and chalcopryite permeated more or less with the syenite formation and calcite spar. Sufficient depth has not yet been attained to get into the solid ore. An assay of five samples gave a value of \$15 in gold, and silver ranging from \$10.60 to \$23.60, the larger proportion of values being in copper. The claim is opened up by a tunnel driven into the mountain 100 feet, gaining almost foot for foot in depth. At a point in 50 feet, where small stringers of copper ore were encountered a crosscut was run west reaching the ore body within five feet of the tunnel. The ore came in from above the tunnel and dipped west into the hill at an angle of 40 degrees. It was followed for about 15 feet, being crosscut, when a winze was started and has been sunk a few feet. This winze is to be continued on down to follow the ore. As a good mining proposition this group is well spoken of by men who know the camp, and doubtless funds will shortly be forthcoming from Toronto to place the property on a paying basis. The four claims are well timbered and a small creek runs close by the north of the tunnel, thus providing ample wood and water for all mining and domestic purposes.

The Winnipeg Mining & Smelting company is to be congratulated on securing the services of Nicholas Tregear as superintendent. Mr. Tregear is well-known by the mining men of the Boundary and takes with him to the Winnipeg an enviable reputation earned as superintendent of the Le Roi of Rossland Camp. He is to take charge of the property on Monday.

GREENWOOD NEWS.

Plans Being Perfected for the Dominion Day Celebration.

Greenwood, B. C., June 16.—(Special.)—Since the commencement of the week, and the change in the time of running on the Columbia & Western branch a notable increase of travel has been inaugurated. This for the time being at least, greatly benefits the hotels here as passengers now stay over nights for points west of Greenwood and elsewhere.

Now that the campaign is over the citizens' committee in charge of the Dominion Day celebration, which will cover two days, June 29th and 30th, are working harder than ever perfecting plans for the success of the same. The transportation committee is in receipt of a letter from E. J. Coyle, assistant general passenger agent of the C. P. R., saying that his company would grant a special excursion rate of a single fare from all points from Vancouver, the 29th until Sunday, July 2nd, when a special will be put on to carry excursionists back home. It is now hoped that there will be a big crowd of excursionists who will visit the Boundary metropolis during the celebration. The local local team, as also the hose team, are practicing nightly. Nelson will send its lacrosse team here, and in return the home boys will journey to Nelson to take in their celebration. It is hoped that Rossland, Nelson and Grand Forks will have teams in for the horse-race. Over \$2,100 has already been raised in subscriptions. A series of four drilling contests are also on the card with purses large enough to induce outside teams to enter. With favorable weather the celebration should be a splendid success.

W. C. Keith has sold out his interest in the weekly Greenwood Miner. James Grier, with Mayor Thomas Hardy, now each own an equal interest in the paper, which from Monday will be under the editorial management of Mr. Grier.

GRAND FORKS NEWS.

Proposition of Mr. Graves to Purchase the Waterworks System.

Grand Forks, B. C., June 16.—(Special.)—Some additional details of the proposition made to the city of Grand Forks, looking to the acquisition of the waterworks and electric light plants, by Jay P. Graves and A. C. Flumerfelt, general manager and assistant manager of the Granby smelter, were made public at last night's meeting of the city council. If their terms are accepted to a trolley line will begin operation within two months.

The smelter people offer to assume \$50,000 worth of civic bonds issued in connection with the waterworks and electric light systems, paying \$7,000 for supplies now on hand and make by systems efficient by expending an additional \$8,000. This means an outlay of \$65,000. In return Messrs. Graves and Flumerfelt seek an exclusive franchise for 25 years, and agree that the tariff of charges during the life of the proposed agreement shall not exceed the rates for light and water now charged by the city of Grand Forks. After 25 years the city will be enabled to purchase both systems by arbitration, or renew the agreement for another period. The smelter people also agree to contribute a trolley line from the smelter through Grand Forks to the Grand Forks railway station if the city assumes any unearned interest on \$27,000 for ten years at five per cent interest; in other words if the enterprise pays more than five per cent the city escapes all liability. In virtue of the proposed agreement Mr. Graves means an outlay of \$65,000. In return Messrs. Graves and Flumerfelt seek an exclusive franchise for 25 years, and agree that the tariff of charges during the life of the proposed agreement shall not exceed the rates for light and water now charged by the city of Grand Forks. After 25 years the city will be enabled to purchase both systems by arbitration, or renew the agreement for another period.

In connection with these offers, Mr. Graves has also made propositions to the city of Columbia. He agrees to extend the waterworks and electric light systems of Grand Forks to Columbia. In return he seeks a bonus of \$23,000 due in 20 years and bearing interest at six per cent. At the same time he offers to redeem the bonds of Columbia which he has assumed, upon which the bonus will be given. Columbia will be given hydrants, arc lights, etc., the charges for public and domestic purposes to be the same as those prevailing in Grand Forks. The trolley system will also be extended to Columbia if that city grants a bonus of \$15,000 and an exclusive franchise for 25 years.

The various bylaws giving effect to these proposed agreements will be voted on in Grand Forks and Columbia as soon as certain formalities are completed with S. H. C. Miner, president of the Granby smelter, and J. W. Binkley, vice-president, and Wm. Aitchison, secretary, respectively, of the Leve Star and Washington, arrived today from Spokane. They are on their way to the mine, which is located on the Colville reservation, two miles south of the international boundary. The mine will shortly make its first shipment of ore to the smelter here.

GRAND FORKS NEWS.

Mr. Jay P. Graves Wishes to Acquire the City's Waterworks.

Grand Forks, B. C., June 15.—(Special.)—Jay P. Graves, general manager of the Granby smelter, has submitted a proposition for the acquisition of the city's waterworks and electric light plants for a period of 25 years. Mr. Graves agrees to pay the city \$70,000 besides expending \$30,000 in improvements to both systems. He also seeks to acquire exclusive street railway privileges for a similar period. The various proposed bylaws giving effect to these proposed agreements will be voted on shortly.

Mr. Graves has also submitted a proposition to the city of Columbia for providing waterworks, electric lights and a trolley for that city. He seeks in return a bonus of \$30,000. A crosscut from the 100-foot level of the Strawberry mine, north fork of Kettle river, encountered the ledge a few days ago. The ore is equally as rich as in the crosscut from the 55-foot level, where the vein was demonstrated to be 29 feet wide. A railway spur from the main line across the north fork to the Granby smelter was completed today. The shipping of ore from the Knob Hill and Old Ironsides will be commenced on Monday. Fifteen four-horse teams are engaged hauling ore to the smelter from the City of Paris mine in Central Camp. E. Spraggett's sawmill broke all records on Tuesday when it cut reached a total of 32,730 in nine and one-half hours.

McINNES TO BE ASKED TO RESIGN

EFFECT OF THE RESOLUTION OF CONVENTION AT VANCOUVER.

Decision Arrived at the Dominion Cabinet Meeting Held Yesterday—The Action of the Three Ministers Settled the Matter.

Ottawa, Ont., June 19.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the cabinet this forenoon, the position of the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia was up for consideration. Lieutenant-Governor McInnes has had four governments in two years. Two of them were dismissed, one with a majority at its back, and as regards the other he refused to permit the Legislature to meet to see where it stood. A Canada to lay these facts before the government general of Canada, humbly suggesting that the usefulness of His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, is gone. The convention met again at 9 o'clock, and did not break up until midnight, when adjournment was made until 10 o'clock tomorrow. All members were sworn to secrecy, but several points soon became public. Discussion was very spirited, and several apologies were made. Several mainland members maintained strong opposition to the Dunsmuir and Turner government, many refusing to become members of what would be the same as the former Turner administration. The discussion wound up with a speech from Robert McBride, of Dewdney, the tenor of whose remarks was "you see how it is, Mr. Dunsmuir, and why we cannot give all the support you ask?" The resolution was passed that Laurier should have raised the Chinese tax to \$500, while he was about it, should have included Japanese and made provision for an act similar to the Natal act.

CONVENTION CLOSES.

Cabinet to Be Reconstructed After the Session—Eight-Hour Law Approved.

Vancouver, B. C., June 19.—(Special.)—The so-called opposition convention closed harmoniously tonight. The mainland gave in, temporarily at least, to the Vancouver Island delegation, this being the only way in which, as one member put it, ex-Premier Martin could be effectually extinguished. The convention unanimously agreed to support Premier Dunsmuir and his government in passing all necessary legislation at the coming session, with the understanding that there be a thorough reconstruction of the cabinet after the session, which takes place early in July. This will be a very short one, lasting only about ten days, for the voting of supplies, and no contentious bills are to be brought forward. This leaves the millionaire coal king practically master of the situation.

There was a fear this afternoon that Governor McInnes, who had been asked to resign, would dismiss the ministers who had been unfaithful to him in asking the Governor-General of Canada for his dismissal, and thus play into Joe Martin's hands by precipitating another serious situation. Just before the adjournment an important resolution was passed, to the effect that the members of the legislature there assembled agreed to the principle of the eight-hour law. There was no arrangement, although it was mooted that Finance Minister Turner and Attorney-General Eberts should resign as a necessary preface to the reconstruction of the cabinet. Mayor Garden of Vancouver may be nominated premier under the new conditions.

Convention None Too Friendly.

Vancouver, June 19.—The convention of the members of the Legislature who are opposed to the late Martin administration closed this afternoon. Practically beyond passing a resolution condemning Lieutenant-Governor McInnes and another for increasing the restrictions on Chinese and Japanese immigration, little was accomplished by the two days' session. It was decided to support the new Dunsmuir government during the next session in passing estimates and any necessary legislation of a non-contentious character. Then there is to be a reconstruction of the cabinet so as to meet the views of all parts of the province, the present personnel not being considered favorably by many of the members.

McInnes' Resignation.

Vancouver, B. C., June 19.—It was ascertained tonight that Lieutenant-Governor McInnes has been asked to resign by the Federal government, but declined to do so on the ground that the Conservative convention is not competent to advise Federal authorities. The Liberal executive here asked Laurier not to interfere. The appointment of Sir Henri Joly in the place of McInnes would be popular here.

McInnes Refuses to Go.

Vancouver, B. C., June 19.—(Special.)—Lieutenant-Governor McInnes has been asked to resign by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and has refused on the ground that no Conservative convention is competent to advise Federal authorities.

Mayor Garden Refuses Office.

Vancouver, B. C., June 19.—(Special.)—Mayor Garden has definitely refused a portfolio under the present administration. He, however, agreed to support Dunsmuir as a temporary measure. McInnes tonight refused to resign, not being willing to be bound by the Conservative convention.

Klondike Notes.

Vancouver, B. C., June 19.—Frank Philicator of San Francisco, alleges that he was held up at Dawson City by H. Covey, and robbed of \$7,000. Covey is in custody. Judge Dugas of Dawson, is engaged in inquiring into the charges against Gold Commissioner Senkler, of illegally recording 21 tractions on Last Chance creek. Mr. H. R. Fitzpatrick of the James Cooper Manufacturing company, is in the city from Greenwood for a few days. Mr. James F. Walsh, a railway contractor, is in the city from the Boundary. He is quarters at the Kootenay.

THE GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION.

Condemns McInnes—The Chinese Restriction Acts—Revolt of the Mainland.

Vancouver, B. C., June 18.—(Special.)—The following is the resolution of the convention of the Legislature, passed at the afternoon session, which was moved by Captain Tatlow, seconded by McBride, and unanimously carried: "That in the opinion of the undersigned members of the Legislature the action of the Governor in calling upon Joseph Martin to form a ministry while wholly unsupported in the Legislature, and giving him such an unwarranted time to complete his cabinet, and his completion of the same by gentlemen unendorsed by the electorate was contrary to the principles, usages and customs of constitutional government, and detrimental to the best interests of the province, and after having been emphatically condemned by the electorate at the late general election, and the Premier of the Province of Canada to lay these facts before the government general of Canada, humbly suggesting that the usefulness of His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, is gone."

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OPPOSITION CONVENTION.

Some Island Members Refused to Attend—Munro Not Heard From.

Vancouver, B. C., June 18.—(Special.)—The political storm centre has been temporarily transferred from the capital to the mainland, where today's convention of oppositionists is being held to select a leader. All ministers and local members are in attendance, although some of the island members that letters of acceptance have been received from Wells and Smith, although Munro, the member slated for chief commissioner of lands and works, is yet to be heard from. Smith will take the portfolio of mines, and Wells will act as provincial secretary. The latter is a brother of R. M. Wells, ex-Speaker of the Ontario House. It is said that the portfolio of mines has been offered to Smith Curtis, but that gentleman declined to accept the post.

Victoria News.

Victoria, B. C., June 18.—The last set of the Martin government was to appoint S. Perry Mills, of this city, Q. C. The steamer Danube arrived this evening with a large number of Klondikers and \$150,000 in gold dust. She reports that the Yukon very low and the navigation is stopped by the steamer Clifford Sifton, which is on one of the many sandbars. John Irving Navigation company sold the tramway across Taku portage, and two river steamers to White Pass Railway company for \$185,000.

Mainland Ministers.

Victoria, B. C., June 15.—(Special.)—It is understood on good authority that A. C. Wells, Northeast Kootenay, and A. W. Smith, Lillooet, have also been invited to third portfolio is also to be given on the mainland, but as yet the remaining minister is to be selected.

The Cassiar Election.

Victoria, June 18.—Carriar—Clifford, Irving, 240; Staples, 237; Godfrey, 188. Cools and Hazelton to hear from. No details received.

DEVELOPMENT IN BOUNDARY.

Prospectors Leaving for Franklin Camp and Other Parts in the West.

Grand Forks, B. C., June 18.—(Special.)—The Board of Trade at a meeting held today unanimously adopted a resolution endorsing the principle of the proposition of selling the city waterworks and electric light systems as well as granting exclusive railway privileges to Messrs. Jay P. Graves and A. C. Flumerfelt of the Granby smelter. A sub-committee was appointed to confer with a sub-committee of the City Council in regard to the terms, etc. Its members are Alex. Miller, Charles Powell and Charles Charles Cunnahman; Jeff Davis, John A. Manly, Charles Powell and Commodore Biden. The lower tunnel on the Yankee Girl and Yankee Boy properties, Hardy maintain, two miles from Grand Forks, has attained a length of one hundred and fifty feet. At the present rate of progress the ledge encountered in the upper tunnel, it is expected, will be struck within in the next three weeks. The Grand Forks Hotelkeepers' Association has just been organized. Jay P. Graves has acquired an interest in the Bell and Remington claims in Summit Camp. The development work now in progress is in charge of Jack Manly, one of the principle owners. Dr. Averill has returned from a trip to the Similkameen district. A large contingent from Grand Forks attended the horse races at Nelson, Wash., on Saturday. The Grand Forks hose team will participate in the competition at Greenwood on Dominion Day. A strike of six feet of gold-copper ore in the Blue Bell, Summit Camp, is reported. The new Presbyterian church is nearing completion. A large number of prospectors have left here during the past fortnight for Franklin Camp, 50 miles up the north fork of the Kettle river. The Banner mine in that camp is practically on a shipping basis. Thirteen carloads of ore representing shipments from the B. C., Winnipeg and Ashelstane were forwarded yesterday to the Trail smelter.

JAMES DUNSMUIR IS PREMIER

HE WAS SENT FOR BY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

The Cabinet, It Is Said, Will Be Formed On Non-Partisan Lines—Some of His Extensive Interests.

Victoria, B. C., June 14.—(Special.)—Hon. Joseph Martin has resigned and the new premier of British Columbia has been chosen. He is James Dunsmuir, and tomorrow afternoon he will be sworn in as premier. Dunsmuir was recommended by Martin when he resigned, and was called by the Lieutenant-Governor yesterday afternoon. The cabinet of Mr. Dunsmuir will be formed on non-partisan lines. Through the introduction of party lines in local politics he was one of the big guns of the opposition. He is the son of the late Robert Dunsmuir, and is 48 years old. He is half owner of extensive mines at Wellington and Comox, and Alexandria on the island, and is half owner of the K. & H. railway. He is the largest employer of labor in the province, his pay roll monthly being \$130,000. He was first elected to the Legislature for Comox in 1898, and in the recent election was returned for South Nanaimo.

THREE MINISTERS SELECTED.

Turner and Eberts Sworn in With Dunsmuir—Martin's Move.

Victoria, B. C., June 15.—(Special.)—The new premier and two of the ministers of his cabinet were sworn in this afternoon. It is unlikely that the remaining members of the ministry will be selected until Monday or Tuesday. As the cabinet now stands it is James Dunsmuir, premier and president of the council; D. M. Eberts, attorney general; J. H. Turner, minister of finance. The general consensus of opinion here is that the premier will have a strong working majority in the new House. Politicians, too, concede that Martin has, in resigning when he did, with the recommendation that Dunsmuir be called, made a good move, at least in as far as the protection of the position of the Lieutenant-Governor is concerned, for it is now unlikely that any step will be taken towards securing the dismissal of Mr. McInnes.

GOVERNMENT CONVENTION.

A Resolution Passed Asking for Governor McInnes' Removal.

Vancouver, B. C., June 18.—(Special.)—Contrary to general expectation, the opening session of the convention of the Legislature for the province was an exceedingly unanimous one. There were very few members of the opposition of ex-Premier Martin absent, and every one present, from Premier Dunsmuir and his two cabinet ministers, already chosen down to the end of the long list of private members, signed a resolution addressed to the government at Ottawa that it was in the interests of the province of British Columbia that Governor McInnes should resign. Captain Tatlow, of Vancouver, gave out this afternoon that he intended to move this resolution just as soon as the convention convened at 4 o'clock.

It was a tentative resolution proposed to test the feeling of the members. Ex-Speaker Booth was in the chair this afternoon, and Ex-Minister Pooley was the most aggressive supporter of the resolution. After the hour's discussion Dunsmuir, Turner and Eberts retired, believing that their oaths of office prevented them from further participation. When every one else had agreed to the resolution, objection was made to the ministers not signing also, so the latter yielded to the lobbying solicitations of Mr. Pooley and re-entered the room. All three then signed the petition for the removal of the Governor, although they had accepted oaths under him. There is a well-founded rumor that Taylor, of Revelstoke, will retire in favor of Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, who will be asked to accept the portfolio of minister of mines.

THE EX-MINISTERS.

Shake Off the Dust From Their Shoes on Victoria—Houston and Murphy.

Victoria, B. C., June 16.—(Special.)—Martin bade farewell to the clerks this morning and left for Nanaimo. Yates packed his trunk this afternoon, while Curtis had finished disposing of his mail, when three new ministers came up the driveway to enter on their duties. Curtis leaves tomorrow for Rossland. It is understood that this portfolio was offered to Mayor Garden, of Vancouver, but that the gentleman declined it. Among those who are in the city, attracted by the political crisis, are Dennis Murphy, of West Yale, and Mayor Houston, of Nelson. Both of these gentlemen were among the successful candidates at the last election, and hold themselves free in their attitude to the present government.

The Other Ministers.

Victoria, B. C., June 15.—Garden, Vancouver; Smith, West Lillooet; and Wells, East Kootenay, have been offered cabinet positions. The result is not yet known. The general expression of opinion here is that Dunsmuir's acceptance of the premiership will dissipate timidity evinced abroad by capital about investing in British Columbia. He states that business and not politics will be his chief consideration in the conduct of provincial affairs.

Convention Called Off.

Victoria, B. C., June 15.—(Special.)—Information has been received from the best sources that Dunsmuir's government will have at least 25 supporters when the house meets. It is reported tonight that the convention which was called for Monday will probably be declared off. Booth will probably be speaker.

The New Ministry.

Victoria, B. C., June 15.—James Dunsmuir, premier and president of the council; D. M. Eberts, attorney general; J. H. Turner, minister of finance, were sworn in this afternoon.



Two Dollars

FROM OTHER

Good Reports Received

A STIR IN LAKE

Notes of Interest on Kootenay's Prospects and Its Successes—Similkameen.

From the Lardeau good deal of interesting news which goes far to show the properties in the district. Jackson, one of the three West group, situated on tributary of the well known has a very high opinion and speaks with no uncertainty regarding its future. There that this section of the most promising in the From the Boundary is in departure in the shipment Paris. It is shipping gold stack at Trail and is sending copper-gold ore to smelter. This is a wide of the variety of ores to the Similkameen comes a work which has had its floating of some of its plan land, where the richness has attracted some little

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The Wide West Group Other Properties

Chas. McKay, M. Beaton have been doing as

Four men have been last three weeks on a

The Banner group is another property in people are interested,

Woods intends to open Assessment work on per, an extension on owned by William B. finished by Messrs. Cart Morgan with satisfaction

Mr. Woods, the mine the various properties

Rossland has bonded \$1 up 14 men last week to

Bear and Wide West group went up with the

J. Brady and Steve Sunday to do assessments

Montana group, which 500 Silver Cup trail, a

fight-mile. The group claims, the Joe Martin

A St. G. Hamersley is looking over the Silver previous to the compar

and payment. Mr. Has in about three weeks,

particulars will be made

A fine lead about 50 been exposed by a lan on the claim adjoining

Pass Creek. H. Carter will commence work

the snow goes off at the Messrs. Morgan and

cided not to try getting Mabel for a few weeks

the snow, but the first see them hard at work

to do a lot of work shipment this summer.

J. W. Westfall can various properties up