DISASTER never lost my senses when the explosion came, but was dazed and almost deaf and blind. I thought at first that the head had come off the hose and that I had been ANOTHER

Four Men Killed in the War Eagle Mine Yesterday.

MISSED HOLE THE FATAL CAUSE A Party of Drillers Blown to Pieces-Miracu-

lous Escape of Charles Coulson, the Sole a bad wound in my right wrist. When I A Party of Drillers Blown to Pieceslous Escape of Charles Coulson, the Sole Survivor-Interview With Coulson-Pa-tuetic Death of Dan Green at the Hospital. If when they were being washed and dress-

the War Lagle mine, about 10 o'clock they join the palm. Everyone about was priation for incidental expenses. so anxious to help me that I buttoned James Martin, M. P. P., was o Friday morning, resulting in the death of four men. Two were instantly killed, one died on the way down the hill to the hospital and another was so fearfully mangled that he subsequently died at the hospital at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. A fifth, though seriously injured in the right hand and arm, will, it is expected, fully recover in time.

The accident was the consequence of an explosion, caused by an overlooked shot, in which about two sticks, or a little over a pound of powder had been left.

The particulars gathered at the mine and from the sole survivor yesterday, were

Charles Lee, Mike Griffin, Charles Sturgess and Charles Coulson, drill men, and Daniel Green, mucker, were working in the west drift on the 625-foot level 100 feet from the shaft, having gone to work at 7 o'clock. Lee and Griffin were working one machine and Sturgis and Coulson were working another. About 20 holes had been put in in the

face of the drift. The cut hole in which the explosion occurred was in about 16 inches and could not have held much more RETURNED FR than a couple of sticks of powder. It is supposed that the concussions of the drills started the powder and caused the disaster.

The cut hole in question was blasted on Wednesday night, and was drilled by the same shift which was at work when the explosion occurred this morning, the hole having been drilled on Tuesday. It is evident that the two powder sticks which caused the disaster this morning did not explode when the general firing took place, as in the general course of events the drilling of the shift at work this morning would have finished and the firing would have taken place tonight.

The drift in which the men were working this morning is from eight to 10 feet wide, and owing to the confined space the slightest explosion would be disastrous

The fatal explosion was heard by a number of men working on the same level, though not in the same drift, some distance away. These men understood that an of the Le Roi, which has drawn attention accident had occurred, as this was not the time for the firing to take place, and hearing cries for help, they at once ran bringing attention to the district. They to the spot to learn what the extent of look for considerably more investments in the accident was.

They were met by Coulson, who was the lic. least injured of the party, and who, numb paying mines, and no doubt these and bleeding, was staggering forward to-wards them. He told them what had hap-pened, and word was at once sent to for the next several months. being taken to the head of the shaft at

The foreman immediately went with a Work on the North Star Branch of the of men. The smoke by this time had cleared from the drift and the four

injured men were found lying on the ground covered with broken rock. round covered with broken rock. This was cleared off, and they were car-on the North Star branch of the C. P. R.

ried to the hoist and taken to the 250- will be commenced before the end of the foot level. Two of them only, Griffin month and in consequence the people of and Green, gave any signs of life, and it the town are in a jubilant frame of mind. was evident that they could not survive. The new branch will connect Cranbrook They were then taken to the surface, with Kimberley, which is 22 miles away, where Drs. Kenning and Bowes, who by and the centre of a rich mineral district.

this time had arrived, took them in

ROSSLAND WEEKLY MINER

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Goodeve,

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WAS CHOSEN BY ACCLAMATION C. O. LALONDE ELECTED SCHOOL

TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS. Resolutions Asking For Increased School the police magistrate and Hon. T. Mayn

Appropriation and Accommodation Adopted.

A meeting of the ratepayers was held the same individuals. Saturday in the new school house for the February last the law was amended by purpose of electing a successor for Mr. C. O. Lalonde, whose term of three years as school trustee for the Rossland school dis-sist of the mayor and two appointees of school trustee for the Rossiant school district, had expired. The result was that the was elected to succeed hinself. Reso. member of the city council, and the two lutions were adopted requesting more latter are appointed annually. The law ed by Dr. Kenning. A piece of rock had lodged in the muscle of my arm and my Another terrible accident happened in fingers were split at the tips and where school room and an increase in the appro-

James Martin, M. P. P., was chairman my lip and stood the pain. I was put into a wagon and taken to the hospital, acted as secretary. The chairman stated of the meeting, and Mr. William Harp though I could have walked if need be. the object of the meeting to be the selection of a school trustee to fill the vacancy When we four started in to work at 7 o'clock yesterday we drilled two holes caused by the expiration of Mr. C. O. term of office and to hear the and were in about two feet four inches Lalonde's with the third hole when the accident

report of the school directors. Mr. Samuel Forteath read the annual happened. Before we started on the third hole I said to my mates, 'Boys, we'd better clear away this truck from the report of the board of school trustees. This showed that the affairs of the schools had been carefully looked after. It was But the rest said that it was all right any way, and we pointed that the appropriation of \$50 per went right along. I did not know that there was a missed hole, but if the broken rock had been cleared away before we started again on the third hole I think room for fuel and other incidental excens es was not sufficient Among the expen-ditures were the following: H. P. Eagles, digging drain, \$19.45; H. S. Wallace, stawe would have noticed what had taken nery, \$2.05; D. McLain, hauling bell, \$1; place in the previous blast, and so have Reilly & Bush, plumbing, \$16; expressage avoided the trouble. I have been mining on maps, \$1.65; Lockhart & Jordan. one way and another for the past 12 chairs,, \$5; C. M. Lurty, locks, \$1.60; Stunden & Perine, printing examination pa-pers, \$15; A. B. McKenzie, Crow's Nest years, and understand thoroughly how to handle machine drills. I came to Ross-land 12 months come last 28th of March. coal. \$373; Goodeve Brothers, \$5.45; A. B. I did not know my working mates very well as they all had come to the War Mackenzie, coal, \$98; Red Star Transfer company, \$15; sanitary fees, \$35; telegrams, \$3.85; typewriting, \$4.75; Goodeve Brothers, \$32.60; Red Star Livery & Transter company, hauling wood, \$25; A. Mc-Bride, glass, \$7.65; sanitary fees, \$100; Messrs. Rumball and Bullen Are Pleased Mellor Brothers, striping floors, \$8.50 Robert Marshall, repairing school house, \$11.90; L. F. Calhoun, hauling, \$1; Empey Brothers, two brooms, \$1; Hunter Broth-Messrs. H. M. Rumball and N. R. H. Bullen have just returned from London school supplies, \$53.50; Rossland ers. where they have been since September of Warehouse & Transfer company, hauling last year. They spent the greater portion benches, \$2; Rossland Miner, advertising 50 cents; W. Brun, hauling desks, 50 cents. of the year 1898 in the Kootenays, and

The report, on the motion of J. H. Rob-inson, seconded by W. H. Bell, was remade a number of investments here, including property on Columbia avenue, and have now returned to see how they are ceived and adopted. getting on. They observe with great sat-isfaction the improvements that have been made in Rossland and particularly The chair then declared the meeting open for nominations for trustee. Pror Blair placed in nomination the name the appearance of the Bank of Monof C. O. Lalonde, and was seconded by W. This they consider the H. Bell. There were no other nominations made, although the chair waited for an have hour, from 11 a. m. to 12 m. Then he deinterests here and there and in-They saw a clared that Mr. Lalonde was elected school great many people while in London and trustee by acclamation to serve for the enthey are taking more interest now in

suing three years. Mr. Lalonde called attention to the fact Mr. Lalonde called attention to the fact that the appropriation for incidental ex-a resident of Greenwood. Columbia since the great success penses for the schools was too small. A to this district. The success of the War Eagle has also done its share, too, for resolutions, introduced by Mr set of J. H. Robinson, and seconded by Mr. William Harp, were read and adopted. They were to the effect that the citizens What is wanted, they say, is more f Rossland, in meeting assembled, called attention to the fact that the appropriaattention to the fact that the appropria-tion made by the government for inci-dental expenses of the school department was too small for the requirements, and calling upon the powers that be to in-crease this. It was pointed out that the present appropriation was not sufficient to supply fuel for the schools. The govern-ment, was also requested to increase the ment was also requested to increase the accommodation for the scholars, as it is at present inadequate for the require-ments. The government was requested to ments. The government was requested increase the salary of the principal of the Rossland public schools. The salarw now for so important naid is not large enough for so importan

Another resolution was adopted strong ly regretting that Professor Blair has re signed the position of principal of the pub-

lic schools of this city. The resolution praised the services of Mr. Blair during a lack of cars for the War Eagle and the time he has been principal, and lauded the ability which he has shown in the discharge of his duties.

NEW APPOINTMENTS. Canadian Pacific Nav. Co The New Police and License Com (LIMITED.) ers Next Month.

Under the law in force previous to the last session of the provincial parliament, the police commissioners were the more, Daly, the latter appointed by the lieut enant-governor in council-that is, by the government-and the board of commissioners was composed 27th On the

also provides that any two members of the boards shall constitute a quorum. The police magistrate's place on the license board was filled in May last by the ap-7 o'clock pointment of Alderman J. S. Clute, NORTHERN ROUTE. of Mayor making that board consist Steamships of this Company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate ports, via Vancou-ver, the 1st and 15th of each amonth at 8 o'clock. And for Skidgate on 1st of each month. Hon. T. Mayne Daly and Alderman Clute. The vacancy on the

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police board has not been filled, leaving the mayor and Mr. Daly forming It is stated that Mr. Daly r Tees leaves Victoria for Alberni and nd ports the 15th and 30th of each term will end on the 30th of June next; under the provisions of the statute. Steamers leave weekly for Wiazgel, Junean, Dyea and Skagway. The Company reserves the right of changing this Time Table at any time without notification. JOHN IRVING anager. G. A. CARLETON, General Agent. Victoria. though a perusal of the act of last see ion makes this by no means certain. Mr.

W. F. MacNeil's name is slated for one of the vacancies, but whether he will fill both positions or only one is not known. As the government supporters here wish to make the offices go round it is probable that a third party will be appointed.

Mr. W. C. Nichol in Town.

Mr. Walter C. Nichol, managing editor of the Vancouver Province, spent Fri-day in Rossland and left in the afternoon for Nelson. conversation among the people there is the great richness of British Columbia and her mines.

Rossland horsemen will participate in the races at Grand Forks and Greenwood There will be races at Grand Forks on the st and 3rd of July and at Greenwood on

during the racing events. Mr. Kennedy is over there, and intends to take an ac-

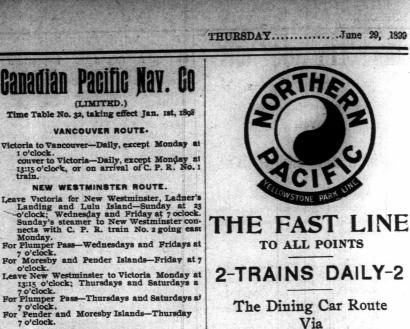
Church at Trail.

Assays From the Nevada.

in gold, silver and lead have been obtain-ed: \$38.88, \$32.21, and \$25.15.

No Shortage of Cars.

the Columbia & Western railway, was in the city yesterday and speaking about ore cars he stated that at no time since the road had been broadened has there been



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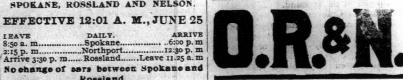
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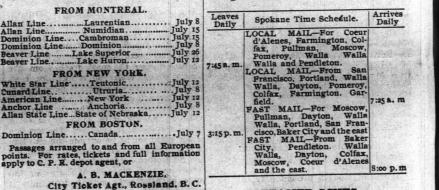
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IEAVE the 3rd and 4th. Friday J. E. Leckie's 55 and Claude Cregan's Rossland No change of sars between Spokane and KOSSIGNO. Tickets on sale all over the world. Close connections at Nelson with steamers for Saslo and all Kootenay lake points. Passengers for Kettle river, Boundary Camp and Boundary creet connect at Marcus and Boss-burg with steam datu-

dary Creek country for several days and will be entered in the race. Mr. Cregan will visit the Boundary Creek country

Rev. W. Clarke arrived in the city

recently brought from Ymir by R. C. Pollett, have been assayed by Hastings & Park of this city, and the following values

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Samples of the ore from the Nevada,

Mr. Nichol has just returned from a visit to Eastern Canada and states that one of the chief subjects for ordinary Rossland Horsemen Will Participate.

were sent to Grand Forks over the Dewdney trail to take part in these races. The idea in sending them there so early is so that they may get over the effects of the journey and have a few days in which to train before the racing commences. Ernest Kennedy's Benledi has been in the Boun-

arge. Sturg as and Lee were fou have been instantly killed, and Griffin died while being carried past the Centre Star A Little Girl Who Was Willing to Drown ore bins on the way to the hospital.

Green reached the hospital alive, but died at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Coulson, who was also taken to the hos-

With the exception of Coulson, who is an old-timer and a Rossland man, the shift was composed of men very recently ed, and as far as known are unmarried men.

Lee and Griffin came from Butte. and Sturgis from Coeur d'Alene. Green, it is known, has a brother at Leadville, Col., and it is understood that he came here from that camp. Coroner Bowes will hold an inquest to-

day at 2:30 p. m. at the city offices.

DANIEL GREEN.

Terribly Mangled, the Fourth Man Dies at the Hospital.

Daniel Green, the fourth victim of the War Eagle accident, died at the hospital at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon. Until a short time before his death Green was quite conscious and conversed with the sisters. He asked if there was any chance for him or if he would die. The sister in charge told him very gently that the doc-tor could hold out no hope for him. The dying man's thoughts reverted to his old he mother in Ireland. "It will kill her," said, referring to his own approaching death. And then he begged to be allowed to send his mother just a line of farewell in his own hand writing, but when the materials were brought his poor maimed hands refused to work any more and the sisters had to take the dying man's mes sage. Although Green was fearfully torn he did not seem to suffer and injured much pain and passed away very quietly The sisters say he was quite resigned and willing to go, and only fretted about his Green was about 30 years old, mother. and was unmarried.

THE SURVIVOR.

A Chat With Coulson, Who Tells How It All Happened.

Chares Coulson, the only survivor o yesterday's accident at the War Eagle, was seen at the hospital Friday evening. Coulson's right arm and hand are badly injured, but it is expected that he will recover the use of both. He finally naturally very feverish and somewhat ex-cited when spoken to about his miraculous escape, but gave a perfectly clear and connected account of what had happened. He "I don't know how on earth I es said: caped death this morning or why I have been spared and my four comrades all carried off in such a shocking manner. I have been thinking of Crooke, our cases

either of them. It's very good to be here in the hospital, everybody is so kind. I of dyspepsia. Sold by Goodeve Bros.

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When "Pat" came running towards me I told him I feared all the men at work

Puppies.

AT CRANBROOK

C P R to Begin.

Cranbrook, B. C., June 21 .-- [Special.]-

A resident of this city has a litter of puppies, and as he could not give them pital, is badly hurt in the left hand and away and did not wish to raise them all, concluded to have a couple drowned.

On Sunday he met a lad and told him he would give him a quarter if he would drown two of them on Monday. Early yesterday morning the owner of the pupies was awakened at an early hour by a knock at he door. When he opened door there stood a little girl of about five years of age. She was as pretty as a picture, with large blue, innocent eyes and long flaxen hair. "Please, sir," she said, "my brother was so busy that he could not come around and he sent me to drown those puppies for you. I'm to have half the money that is to be paid for doing the work." The little girl was paid the

fee for the proposed drowning of the baby canines, by their owner, but he refused to allow the child, who took her brother's place, to carry out the contract that he had entered into.

Leaving for Vancouver. Mr. Westley A. Blair, who has recently resigned the principalship of the Rossland city schools, will leave for the coast in a few days. Mr. Blair has been in Rossland Yesterday Mr. Blair completed his duties here, and in future he will make Vancouver his home, going into the insurance brokerage business in that city.

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A BOULDER ON THE TRACK.

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Had a Train Run Into It It Would Have Been Derailed.

On Sunday evening at about 9 o'clock Ernest Orde and Daniel Dickinson were passing along the railway of the Columbia & Western at a point where the tracks

The new electric compressor at the War Eagle made a successful run of about 36 intersect at Lincoln street in the southern portion of the city, when they came across boulder lodged between the They hurriedly found P. G. Den-

the hours ending Friday morning, when pen-the ropes on the big wheel having become stretched the machinery was stopped to the tighten them up. It is expected that the ison, the station agent, and accompanied him back to where the rock lay on the track. It took the united strength of new compressor will be running regularly four men with crowbars to remove the before the end of the month. four men with crowbars to remove the

obstruction. Had a train come along at Mr. Brown,s Opinion that time and run into the rock it is certain that it would have been derailed

How the rock came in this position is a mystery. It was thought by some that it might have rolled down the bank from

near where the new Rossland club house is being erected. In order to test this question yesterday rocks were started fr.m. where the boulder is supposed to have started, but in no instance did they reach the track, as their downward cours few days. Mr. Blair has been in Rossland for the past two and a half years, and by the acceptable performance of his duties as principal, has made a host of friends. Yesterday Mr. Blair completed his duties their ingred points in the use of the descending rocks their ingred points in the use of the descending rocks was plainly marked by abrasions made by IT RESTORED HIM TO NEW HEALTH WHEN ALL OTHER MEDICINES their jagged points in the soil. Besides this there were no marks found in the soil to indicate that the rock found on FAILED. the track had come down the steep bank and some were of the impression that it had been placed there by some maliciou parties who desired to wreck a train. The bank slopes away from the track at this point and a derailed train would plunge down for at least 50 feet, and it is certain pound are men and women who are rethat there would have ensued great loss of life had the obstruction thrown a train off the track. It seems almost inconceiv able, however, that anyone should have placed the obstruction on the track. Mr. Denison feels certain that the boulder rolled down the hill and became lodged

The City Council Band.

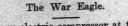
between the rails.

Bandmaster Falding is gratified at the incurshle. many complimentary remarks made about the playing of the City Council band. Mr. Falding and his musicians will give anothas follows er open air concert tomorrow evening. weather permitting. The band require sic and a uniform. It was sugmore gested that as the Rossland rifles had a neat uniform the band might adopt a similar one, and so be in a position to turn out with the company on inspection

Chauncey Depew spoke strongly upon the friendship for Britain in the United States at the Mark Twain dinner in Lon-

Centre Star. It was not possible to secure ore cars but box cars were always avail-able. Now, however, the ore cars have come to hand and there will be no trou-Kaslo & Slocan Railway International ble. There was some trouble over the matter of loading these box cars and in Navigation & Trading Company. Schedule of Time Pacific Standard Time order to satisfy the patrons of the com-

pany he hired eight men to shovel the ore into the cars for them.



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