

GOLD! GOLD!! GOLD!!!

Lorne Creek Is the Latest Place Where a Rich Strike Has Been Made.

During the Period from April to July Nine Thousand Dollars Was Taken Out.

From Tuesday's Daily. The many friends of Mr. J. E. Wood, of Chilliwack, are still rushing to the Angel Hotel in crowds to talk with the returned miner about his northern El Dorado and to view his gold.

Mr. Wood reports that Sam Booth and his brother, the two colored gentlemen who dealt in old clothes on Johnson street, have also struck a good thing on Lorne creek.

Provisions, he said, are scarcely any dearer than they are in town, for bacon can be bought at the Hudson Bay Co.'s posts for 13 cents per pound and flour for \$2 per sack, with other provisions in proportion.

Mr. Wood, who before he went up to Lorne creek worked as a laborer on the Okanagan railway, and on other railways in this province, has been working that district for the past four years. He had heard of the wealth of Lorne creek, and went up there on a prospecting tour in company with two other Victorians.

During the first season they worked the bed of the creek washing the gravel in ruders and roughly made sluice boxes. They did not secure anything to speak of that season, and when all was tallied up they had not made much over their expenses.

The gold was found only in spots in the bed of the creek. The next season they let the bed of the creek and started work on the high benches and old channels. That year, however, they did little better than before.

While they were working the Dry Hill Claim early last season a large boulder rolled down the hill, and before they could all get out of the way it struck one of Mr. Wood's partners, breaking his leg.

Mr. Wood and his associates had worked the claim by hauling their gravel down to the water to wash it for a short time, they came to the conclusion that it was a most arduous way of working, and began to consider what they could do to improve matters.

Mr. Wood will invest in better machinery while he is down, and when he leaves for the Dry Hill Claim again he will take it with him.

FEVER AT ITS HEIGHT

Hundreds of Men in This City Ready to Leave for the North-ern Mines.

Those Who Outfitted at Seattle Called Upon to Pay Duty on Their Goods.

Some of Them Will Pay Here, While Others Will Try to Evade the Officers.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Seventy-five miners' outfits, consisting of groceries, clothing, hardware and every other kind of articles, arrived from the Sound this morning for shipment to Alaska on the steamer Islander, sailing to-morrow.

The owners of these outfits will arrive on the Kingston to-morrow morning, and will be met at the wharf by a very of customs officers and compelled to pay duty on their goods.

It is considered better to collect the duty here than to have the miners to be delayed at Dyea and the customs stations along the route, where the new officers will not be in as good a position to handle the rush as will the experienced officers here.

The Seattle papers are attempting to create the impression that no duty will be charged on American goods going to the Klondyke mines, and that they have been successful in many cases as shown by the number of men outfitting there.

These men will find to their sorrow that they are to pay duty on their goods, and that they are to pay duty on their goods, and that they are to pay duty on their goods.

Assistance appears to have been given the Seattle press in creating this impression by no less a personage than the secretary to the minister of mines, for British Columbia, Mr. J. H. Foulkes.

Mr. Foulkes was granted by the minister of mines, Mr. J. H. Foulkes, a paragraph in the Seattle P.I. reads: "J. H. Foulkes, the great tennis player, of British Columbia, who has been in this city for some days, has been invited to visit the British Columbia minister of mines."

Those who have been misled by the newspaper agency of this paragraph will find that Mr. Foulkes is not a good authority. Despite the Seattle papers and Mr. Foulkes, officers are going up on the Islander to collect duty on American goods, and as the first is being extended, they will come here to outfit.

The following telegram has been received from the Commissioner of Customs in reply to one sent from Victoria yesterday: "I will you please wire Collector Saunders at Port Townsend, State of Washington, to instruct the collector of customs at Juneau, Alaska, that Dyea has been declared a port of call, and authorized Collector Saunders to wire such instructions to our collector or to your consul at Victoria, British Columbia, so that they can be sent to Juneau by the steamer Islander."

RIGHT FROM NEW YORK.

Richard Davenport, the Cartoonist, is Going Up on the Islander.

Among those who came over from Seattle this morning to take passage on the Islander, was Richard Davenport, the cartoonist, a relative of Davenport, the cartoonist of the San Francisco Examiner and New York Journal.

Davenport took the fever in New York, where he says the people have it bad, and he says the fever is being carried to the Klondyke on the street. He goes to Dyea on the Islander.

Mr. Davenport formerly resided here, and he has been busy all day looking up old acquaintances.

Successful Candidates. List of Those Who Have Been Granted Teachers' Certificates.

The names of those candidates who were successful in the recent examinations for teachers' certificates have been made public. The examiners were: S. D. Pope, L.L.D.; Austin Scriven, M.A. (Oxon); William D. Barber, M.A.; R. Whittington, M.A., B.Sc.; and J. W. Church, M.A. Here are the successful candidates:

James Cooper Butchart, B.A., University of Manitoba, 1897. Annie E. Fraser, B.A., University of Queen's College, Kingston, 1897. Frederick O. Foster, B.A., University of Toronto, 1897.

ON THE WATERFRONT. Crowds Around the Wharves Discuss the Gold Fever.

The memories of most inhabitants of this city would be sorry to see an occasion when so much excitement prevailed on the waterfront. Since early hours this morning large crowds of miners and others assembled on the wharves and discussed the Klondyke and everything pertaining to the mining regions.

SECOND CLASS GRADE B CERTIFICATES. (Maximum Marks, 3,350.) Arthur Flie, 2,278; John K. Green, 2,234; Florence Southcott, 2,221; Maimie S. Brown, 2,214; Robert J. Hall, 2,212; Carlisle W. Webb, 2,206; Henry C. Shelton, 2,207; Mrs. J. M. Harding, 2,198; Lucy A. Mebus, 2,178; Thomas A. Wilson, 2,155; Robert H. Bradley, 2,153; Jean Patterson, 2,149; May Woodman, 2,138; John Campbell, 2,113; Donald N. McTavish, 2,111; Laura Moore, 2,104; Kate Cairns, 2,102; Florence Elmly, 2,096; Eversard Hugard, 2,091; Matthew Beattie, 2,071; Flora E. Hart, 2,065; William P. Ogilvie, 2,061; Ellen G. Lawson, 2,051; Thomas C. Mercer, 2,080; Nettie C. Smith, 2,018; Mary Ellen Mercer, 2,016; Mrs. Frances E. Taylor, 2,015; Joseph F. Salloway, 2,014; Dorothea M. Thompson, 2,013; Wm. H. M. May, 2,013.

THIRD CLASS GRADE A CERTIFICATES. (Maximum Marks 2,150.) Henrietta McVier, 1,823; Clara W. Swann, 1,814; Ethel M. Johnston, 1,283; Clara C. V. Smith, 1,233; Livingstone G. Macdonald, 1,225; Rosemary Reid, 1,215; Margaret Charles L. Thornber, 1,154; Jennie G. Fraser, 1,170; Jane E. W. Crech, 1,168; Lawrence, 1,158; Susie A. Fenton, 1,117; Kate Ethel Robinson, 1,120; Geo. F. Goostrey, 1,128; Emily M. Hopkin, 1,120; Sarah Muir, 1,117; Nellie G. Wilson, 1,117; F. T. Broderick, 1,111; Claud H. Barter, 1,109; Alice M. MacCallum, 1,095; June Moore, 1,082; M. Nichols, 1,077; Augustus M. G. Nightingale, 1,065; Jane M. Cleland, 1,063; Sarah Marsden, 1,062; J. Griffiths, 1,060; Jennie Evans, 1,055; Jennie M. Inglis, 1,049; Phoebe A. McInnes, 1,046; Ralph R. Watson, 1,042; Jessie Colquhoun, 1,030; Margaret G. Johnson, 1,027; William Stevwright, 1,024; Reginald C. Abbott, 1,022; Alice M. Vale, 1,021; Mrs. Ethel A. Hammond, 1,017; Mary J. McLean, 1,017; Leonora M. Coughlan, 1,015; Alice Gladys A. E. Butler, 1,002; Grace A. G. Bowman, 994; Elizabeth Wilson, 988; Mrs. Fougner, 988; Mary Ramsay, 978; Mrs. Barbara Ross, 948; Bertha Turner, 902; Margaret McRae, 885; Alice John, 902; Charlotte G. Barrett, 872; Alice G. Henderson, 866.

LE ROI SMELTER.

Peculiar Course Followed by Officers of the Company.

Rossland Miner: The contract has been let for the erection of the Le Roi smelter at Northport. This is official and final.

We would like to ask why the Le Roi people thought it necessary to trade with the public on this subject? Last Wednesday the following telegraphic correspondence took place between the Miner and Colonel Peyton, manager of the Le Roi mine:

Rossland, July 21. Colonel I. N. Peyton, Northport, Wash.: Is it true that Northport has been definitely decided on as a site for the Le Roi company's smelter? It has been so announced here to-day. Rossland Miner.

Col. I. N. Peyton's reply was as follows: Northport, Wash., July 21. To Miner, Rossland: The Le Roi trustees have taken no definite action on location of smelter. Under existing conditions it does not seem possible to locate our smelter on the Canadian side of the line without largely increasing the cost of smelting.

I. N. Peyton: On the following day this item appeared in the Miner: "Under existing conditions it does not seem possible to locate our smelter on the Canadian side of the line without largely increasing the cost of smelting."

Col. I. N. Peyton is still at Northport, and will return to Spokane to-day. He telephoned yesterday informing the Miner that W. J. Harris has been instructed to go to trail on behalf of the Le Roi company and interview Mr. Heinze respecting his offer for a site, etc., for the proposed smelter. He also stated positively that the Le Roi company was in no way tied up as to a site, but that he had not been able to figure out how it could smelt any ore cheaply at any point in Kootenay as at Northport.

Mr. Harris was seen in the evening. He has been down to trail and seen Mr. Heinze. We are now interviewing his offer. It includes a free smelter site, certain adjacent water power, half of a townsite and half interest in the water power he controls at Spokane. Daily reports of the investigation will be sent to the head office at Spokane.

We publish these facts to show that the Le Roi people have had something to conceal in the whole business, and that they are deceiving in their statements. It now transpires that at the very moment Col. Peyton was assuring the Miner and the people of British Columbia that the Le Roi company was "not tied up as to a site" he was letting the contractor for the construction of the smelter at Northport.

Mr. Harris came to the Miner office last Thursday night and said that he had been down to confer with Mr. Heinze as to a site under instructions from Colonel Peyton, and that he was to make daily reports to the Le Roi company as to the investigations he would make into the site Mr. Heinze had offered. Why make any investigation of the site and why make daily reports of the same when the contracts were being let for the smelter at Northport?

We leave this sort of conduct to the judgment of the public. If the Le Roi company had made an honest endeavor to locate its smelter on Canadian soil, why resort to this miserable sort of trickery and subterfuge? They deceived no one by it, or it nearly was so simple as to be to deceive. He will be undeceived now that all the facts are known.

ARRIVAL OF THE ALAMEDA

Also from Australia via Honolulu.

San Francisco, July 29. The Alameda arrived from Honolulu this morning, via San Francisco.

Nothing of importance at Hawaii since the departure of the steamer, July 17. The Hawaiian Minister Cooper has been in communication with the Hawaiian government in regard to the maintenance of its immigration and to leave the settlement of a disputed territory, and to leave the settlement of a disputed territory, and to leave the settlement of a disputed territory.

The Alameda brings papers describing the trial of Butler, and the capture of the steamer. The trial of Butler, and the capture of the steamer, and the capture of the steamer.

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