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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

WILSON, now awaiting sentence in New Westminster on a charge of burglary. The trial of McNulty, Stone and Piper, charged with robbery with violence, resulted in a verdict of guilty of common assault against Piper and Stone, McNulty being discharged. The case was brought from Steveston, the row having taken place during the fishing season. The Charteris arson case was heard this morning.

The Golden Cache Company have received a wire from their foreman, Mr. Noel, that a very rich strike has been made on the Golden Eagle mine at a depth of 53 feet. This, together with the news that a private wire had been received that Golden Cache was sold yesterday in Toronto at \$2, has stiffened the stock here and created a sharp demand and shares were transferred at \$1.47 1/2.

Channe stock has stiffened owing to recent reports of several properties of the Channe Co. changing hands to the financial advantage of the company. Ald. Shaw informs your correspondent that samples from his Salmon river mine have assayed \$300 in gold. Ald. Shaw says that he does not intend to stock the property.

The Albion silver claim on Bowen Island is being stocked and shares will shortly be placed on the market for sale. The second carload shipment from the Two Friends mine, the Ten Mile Creek West Kootenay proposition, has been returned at the Tacoma smelter and the returns were received yesterday. One hundred and six sacks, about seven tons, went 375 ounces in silver and 82 cent lead to the ton; and 215 sacks gave 248 ounces of silver and 46 per cent lead, an average for the carload of 300 ounces of silver to the ton and 50 per cent lead. This is \$20 more per ton than was realized on the first shipment. As soon as rwhiding can be commenced large shipments will be made.

WESTMINSTER. NEW WESTMINSTER, Nov. 12.—Keatsy Jim, a well known Indian who has resided in this vicinity for upwards of a score of years, was found dead in his shack yesterday. An inquest was deemed necessary, a verdict of death from natural causes being returned.

The illness from which Mr. Nathan Woodward has been suffering for some weeks had a fatal termination, his death occurring at the deceased gentleman's residence, Woodward's Slough, on Tuesday evening.

The Hon. Mr. Tarte had a busy day yesterday. Addresses were presented from the City Council, Board of Trade, Liberal Association, and a resolution passed by the Executive of the Fraser River Improvement Association was read by Mr. Justice Bole. Mr. Tarte replied assured his hearers of the good intentions of the government to British Columbia, and said he considered it the duty of every minister who has the welfare of the Dominion at heart to visit this Province and the Northwest, such a visit being necessary to a due appreciation of the great possibilities of the Dominion of Canada. In the afternoon Mr. Tarte was escorted to the penitentiary and the Brunette saw mills. Later a meeting was held with the Board of Trade when navigation and dyking matters were brought to the minister's attention. Hon. Mr. Tarte assured the members that he would endeavor to have a complete survey of the river made, and after that every attempt to make the river navigable would be undertaken by the government. Mr. Tarte regretted that his colleague Mr. Davies will be unable to meet him here, but the Minister of Marine and Fisheries will visit the province later, and will remain here long enough to gain all necessary information in connection with his department. At the banquet held in the evening speeches were made by Mr. Morrison and Mr. Maxwell, M.P.'s, and Mr. Tarte in a lengthened speech dealt with several of the matters referred to before him in the course of the day. The party left for Chilliwack this morning.

NANAIMO. NANAIMO, Nov. 12.—Messrs. Carmichael and Gray, of Vancouver, yesterday registered one claim on Hardwick island, and Mr. J. A. Coates, of Vancouver, registered one on Texada island. Arrangements are being completed for a concert and ball to be given under the auspices of the Nanaimo Silver Cornet band on Wednesday the 18th instant in the Nanaimo Opera House.

There was a large attendance in the council chambers on Tuesday evening of the subscribers to the Nanaimo-Nitinat-Alberni Railway project. Mayor Davidson, the chairman, briefly announced the object of the meeting. Mr. Haslam explained at some length that a feasible route for a narrow gauge railway had been explored from Nanaimo, via the Nanaimo lakes to the Nitinat, to Granite creek, and thence to China creek, Alberni—Mr. Samuel M. Robins, superintendent of the New Vancouver Coal Company, having engaged and fitted out an exploratory party, who had gone completely over the proposed route, which would run almost through the centre of the discovered mineralized section of the country between the Nanaimo lakes and the West Coast. Mr. Haslam expressed himself strongly in favor of the narrow gauge system. It was resolved to at once apply for incorporation. A board of provisional directors having been appointed, the following officers were elected: President, Mr. W. Haslam; vice-president, Mr. W. McGregor; secretary-treasurer, Mr. W. K. Leighton. It was decided to adopt the narrow gauge.

BOUNDARY CREEK. (From the Boundary Creek Times.) Dutch Jake returned to Anaconda this week from prospecting up the main Kettle river, travelling some 45 miles beyond Rock creek. He could find no evidence there any bearing rock of any kind, nor was there any prospect of finding the very scarce and travelling difficult in the extreme. Several parties of trappers were meeting with great success. Game is very plentiful. There is a rough sort of trail leading into the country, and other evidences the neighborhood had in former times been explored. On Boulder creek the stake of the erstwhile placer claim is still standing. Two petitions are being circulated in the district—one in favor of the Federal government towards the building of the proposed railroad from the coast to Rossland; and the other asking the Federal parliament to increase the tax on蒙古人 immigration.

Assays were made this week on some sample specimens of rock from two of the properties of the Boundary Creek Mining and Milling Co.; the Big Ledge running \$36.13 to the ton, or \$35.42 in gold and 1.1-1.02 oz. in silver, and the S. H. B. \$40.44 for all values. Buildings are to be erected at once and development work commenced.

George Cook has completed development work on the Gem in Wellington Camp by stripping the ledge and sinking on either side respectively for 10 and 12 feet. The ore is copper pyrites, and the ledge is supposed to be 75 feet across. There is an immense showing.

An offer has been made by Eastern people for the Minnehaha claim, which adjoins the Cariboo at Camp McKinney. The price is away up in the thousands, and there is every prospect that the deal will go through.

Work is being done on the Sunnyside in Providence camp. On this claim there is apparently an immense body of ore. Recently some very fine specimens of native silver were obtained before the first assessment was completed running, it is reported, as high as 75 per cent in copper.

There are from four to six inches of snow in the higher altitudes, and prospectors are rapidly leaving the hills.

While sinking on the old shaft on the Rambler, some remarkable high-grade ore was recently discovered running, it is reported, as high as 75 per cent in copper.

The tunnel is now in on the Mother Lode some 35 feet in the ore. The rock is phenomenally hard and it is not uncommon for the men to dull in 500 to 400 drills in 24 hours.

C. L. Thomet left on Wednesday for Portland. He expects to return in about ten days' time, accompanied by an expert, who will report on some properties in the camp.

Jack Martin has struck a fine body of ore on his claim adjoining the Adirondack in Kimberley camp.

Messrs. Estoppe and Smith have given an option on the Big Three to a Spokane syndicate for \$30,000.

Poles are being erected for a telephone line between Marcus and Boundary creek.

SLOCAN. (From the Trail Creek News.) In 1892, when the depression all over the country began to be felt, the Slocan suffered, and it is less than two years since the district took on new life, and it is now producing more wealth than any of the rest of Kootenay. New investors are coming in and interesting themselves in the district. There have been but few properties which, with development, have not become producers. The fact that 45 mines have shipped any during the past 18 months would indicate that the district is one of more than ordinary merit. Owners of mines regard it as the greatest silver mining section in the northwest.

CHILLIWACK. (From the Progress.) Messrs. L. N. Smith, H. Kipp, Ruben Nowell and J. S. Smith held a private meeting last night relative to dyking their properties, and have decided to enter into a mutual agreement to commence and carry on the work without delay. Messrs. Kipp, J. Reese and McCutcheon have agreed to do several weeks' work on their dykes and will soon have the work completed. These gentlemen, owners of some of the finest properties in the valley, are determined to protect their lands by any means, and will have any high water, and should a public system of dyking be carried out they will be doubly secure.

FORT STEELE. (From the Prospector.) Four parallel leads run through the locations on Perry Creek, and there is no doubt this section will make a large gold camp. Perry, Weaver and Hell Roaring creeks and the Moyea river have been noted for placer gold, and the mineral zone can be traced through the country for a long distance. The ore is said to be an extremely rich quartz, the top of the lead being generally covered with red iron carbonates. Across the divide on Weaver Creek the same formation is found, and many indications have been made. Hugh McQuade has bonded several valuable claims on this creek, and will leave for Helena the latter part of the week to make arrangements for machinery to work the ore. It is reported that at least five stamping mills will be erected on Perry and Weaver creeks next summer. This section of the Fort Steele mining district of East Kootenay will during the coming season be one of the best mining camps in the country.

Constables Halford and Wilson, of the Northwest mounted police, came through the Crow's Nest Pass with dispatches to Indian Agent Galbraith and Mr. Phillips, stipendiary magistrate. They were en route to "Bad Young Man," the Indian murderer. After consulting with the authorities, they returned via the pass.

William Boser, who has been doing development work on the Empire mining claim at Bull River, brought in some fine looking copper ore of a high grade.

THE SCHOOL SETTLEMENT. WINNIPEG, Nov. 12.—(Special)—A Brandon dispatch to the Free Press tonight states that the committee appointed by the Brandon electors to consider the terms of the school settlement has been summoned to meet there tomorrow. Hon. Mr. Sitton will be present.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, 'DR. WALKER'S CREAM BAKING POWDER' MOST PERFECT MADE. A pure Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

politicians generally will not thank him for using it in the way he does now that the election is over and they are trying to make themselves comfortable in their office chairs.

A SECRET TREATY. People in Europe and elsewhere have not ceased to talk and write about Bismarck's recklessness in making public what had for a long time been a profound state secret. While Russia and France were the closest friends and Austria and Germany were bound together by a solemn treaty, no one, either in France or Austria, dreamed that Germany and Russia had entered into a secret arrangement to stand by each other in certain contingencies. By this arrangement, if Russia was attacked by Germany's ally, Austria, Germany was to assist, not Austria, but Russia; and on the other hand, if Germany was attacked by any other power, either France or Austria, Russia was bound to come to her assistance. This secret arrangement on the part of Germany was unfair to Austria which as a party to the Dreibund depended upon Germany in every exigency, and on the part of Russia unfair to France which seems to have been led to believe that in case trouble should again arise between her and Germany, she could depend upon Russia's friendship to help her out. As it happened nothing has occurred since the agreement to try the good faith of the Governments that had made it but if there had there would have been a great outcry against the dissimulation and treachery of both Bismarck and the late Russian Emperor.

The faith of Austria in Germany must be undermined since these disclosures, have been made and the French must see that it is hardly safe to place too much dependence upon Russia. It is somewhat singular that this annoying disclosure was made directly after the people and the Government of France had given the Czar and his wife the warmest and most enthusiastic welcome that ever sovereigns received in a foreign country.

The disclosure appeared in the Hamburger Nachrichten, Bismarck's personal organ. This is the more singular as Bismarck, when he was in power, looked upon the betrayal of state secrets as a most serious offence, deserving of very severe punishment. The revelation made by the German journal was evidently not a mere indiscretion; it has the appearance of being deliberately made to produce a certain effect, and the consequences are no doubt what were expected and calculated upon.

MANITOBA SCHOOLS. MONTREAL, Nov. 13.—(Special)—Minister Tarte has written a letter to Le Cultivateur in which he states that with profound sorrow he saw that the French Catholic population of Manitoba is losing strength every day. There are fifty-one Catholic schools, he points out, now closed and the number of separate schools is thirty, almost equal to that of the public school system. Of these fifty-one schools, he says, it is a grave state of inferiority. In other words more than half the young Catholic generation at this moment is ignorant. The English population have magnificently equipped a complete system of education, and their children consequently are well fitted for the battle of life. He was contented in the near future the Catholic and French population would walk side by side with other nationalities in the path of instruction and intellectual progress, and that the fifty schoolhouses that to-day would receive under their roofs the children of their parents who now stagnate in ignorance.

Both parties are actively preparing for the provincial elections, which cannot be very far off.

A letter has been received from Li Hung secretary who accompanied Li Hung Chang on his recent tour through Canada, expressing on behalf of His Excellency entire satisfaction with the arrangements on board H.M.S. Empress of China while crossing the Pacific ocean, and thanking the officials for their thoughtful study of their comforts and their high abilities in fulfilling their manifold duties.

Resaid of a chorale, of Sherbrooke, announced his acceptance of the presidency of Algoma at this morning's session of the synod. His consecration will take place either in Christ Church cathedral here, in Quebec, or in his own church at Sherbrooke.

Counsel for Grenier, indicted by the grand jury for criminally libelling Hon. Mr. Tarte, this morning renewed the application made a few days ago that this date be set for the trial, but this was denied. The request that a second panel of jurors be summoned, as the present one expires early next week, was also refused. There is no chance now of a trial taking place until March.

A MESSAGE TO MEN. Proving That True Honesty and True Philanthropy Still Exist. If any man, who is weak, nervous and debilitated, or who is suffering from any of the various troubles resulting from excesses of work, will take heart and write to me, I will send him confidentially and free of charge the plan pursued by which I was completely restored to perfect health and manhood, after years of suffering from Nervous Debility, Loss of Vigor and Organic Weakness. I have nothing to sell and therefore want no money, but as I know through my own experience how to sympathize with such sufferers, I am glad to assist any fellow-being to cure. I am well aware of the prevalence of quackery, for I myself was deceived and imposed upon until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but I rejoice to say that I am now perfectly well and happy and once more an ambitious and energetic man. If you will write to me you can rely upon being cured and the proud satisfaction of having been of great service to one in need will be sufficient reward for my trouble. Absolute secrecy assured. Send 5c. silver to cover postage and address, Mr. Geo. G. Strong, North Rockwood, Mich.

Vancover's Waterworks Extension By-law—Knotty Problem for School Trustees.

Mr. Tarte at Westminster—Hunting Big Game—Gold Fields of British Columbia.

(Special to the Colonist.) VANCOUVER. VANCOUVER, Nov. 12.—A meeting of citizens interested in obtaining better municipal government was called for last evening in Suffian hall and was fairly well attended. Mr. W. McCraney, ex-M.P., was voted to the chair and Mr. W. Fraser acted as secretary. A constitution was submitted for consideration and adoption and was taken up clause by clause. The name chosen for the new organization is the Municipal League of Vancouver, and the avowed object is the advancement of a higher plane of municipal government. The membership will be allowed to all citizens, but only electors will be allowed to vote. A further meeting will be held next week, the time and place to be announced.

Mr. E. E. Evans, of Evans, Coleman & Evans, has been in England on business connected with some mining properties in which he is interested.

Messrs. Bell-Irving and Hurlbut, who have been hunting big game in the Lilloo country, returned yesterday laden with trophies of the chase. They report excellent sport, and although the trip has been of a somewhat arduous nature appear none the worse for their experiences.

The newly organized Cleve Canning Co., formed to take over the old established business of the Texas Lard Ice & Cold Storage Co., are calling for tenders for the erection of a new wharf in New Westminster. Noon on Tuesday, 17th inst., is the latest hour at which tenders will be received.

The finance committee of the city council recently appointed Messrs. Weeks & Hutchings to value the goods belonging to Jun Kee, a Chinese merchant, and yesterday the valuers went down to Chinatown to carry out their instructions. The Chinaman, however, refused to allow them in the store