

## NEW COMPANIES, B. C.

Hunt Hotel Company, Ltd., has been incorporated with a capital of \$50,000 in 10,000 shares of \$5 each. The objects of the Company are to facilitate travelling in the Province by providing hotels and conveyances for the accommodation of travellers.

The Tribune Association, Ltd., with a capital of \$25,000 in 2,500 shares of \$10 each. Registered office, Nelson.

Canadian Exploration Company, Ltd., with a capital of \$250,000, 250,000 shares of \$1 each. Registered office, Vancouver.

Camp McKinney Gold Mining Company, Ltd., non-personal liability. Capital, \$1,000,000, in 1,000,000 shares of \$1 each. Registered office, Greenwood. Formed to purchase the Alshu, Burlington and George Hurst mineral claims, Camp McKinney.

## ESTATE, FINANCE AND MINES CORPORATION.

The following cable, dated at Vancouver, January 17th, 1899, has just been received from Mr. J. J. Lang, General Manager: "Output for December is 53 lb. 11 oz. bullion (being silver 26 lb. 5 oz., value \$172, and gold 12 lb. 6 oz., value \$3,100). 480 tons were treated of average value \$10. Extraction of gold was 86 per cent., and silver 67 per cent. The balance is accounted for by gold in solution, zinc, and slags, as usual, in a first month's clean-up. The mill (10 stamps) ran 17 days 13 hours only, owing to breakdown of mill and great difficulty in handling ore in dump on account of severe frost. 400 tons were from the dump and remainder from the stopes.

The average assay of ore now being treated is \$16. We are stoping 8 feet. The mill is now running very well. You may expect better return for January." From correspondence we learn that the manager is now crushing only from the mine, thus avoiding the difficulty of breaking ore from the frozen dump.

## RECENT LONDON REGISTRATIONS.

Klondyke Dome Mining Company, Limited (60,235). This Company was registered on January 10th, with a capital of £20,000 in £1 shares, to accrue gold mines, mining rights and land in the Yukon district, in Canada, the United States of America, or elsewhere, and in particular to acquire ten claims in the Klondyke, to enter into an agreement with James Adams, and to search for, explore, develop, and maintain gold and other mines, mineral rights and properties.

Tyee Development Company, Limited. This Company was registered on January 10th, with a capital of £15,000 in £1 shares, to enter into and carry into effect an agreement to be made with Edwin B. Livingston, and to acquire, develop, turn to account, work, and deal with any metalliferous or other lands, copper and other mines, minerals and mining rights in British Columbia or elsewhere.

## LATEST LONDON REGISTRATIONS

Vancouver Agency, Limited—Registered January 18th, with a capital of £20,000 in £10 shares to carry on the business of merchants, brokers, factors, ship owners, warehousemen, produce importers and exporters, at Vancouver, Liverpool and elsewhere.

Cobeldick Dredge Mining Company, Ltd., Registered on 19th Jan., with a capital of £20,000 in £1 shares to acquire, develop, work and deal with a mining lease dated January 10th, between C. C. Tunstall, Gold Commissioner, acting on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, of the one part, and W. J. Manson, of the other part, in respect of auriferous gravel ground on the Fraser River, near Lytton, B. C. British America Goldfields, capital, £25,000 in £1 shares. Gresham Syndicate, capital, £10,000 in £ shares.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST.

In the "Sugar Loaf" mine, near Kunalang, roots of trees have penetrated the rock to the depth of 74 feet, and in the "Great Boulder" main reef mine, Kalgoorli, 85 feet below the surface. In the former case oxidation of the enclosing rock ceases at 130 feet, and in the latter at 175 feet, being an unusually dry region, and it has undergone erosion with extreme slowness and doubtless this is the reason the roots in search of moisture should have penetrated so deeply.

While prospecting near Death Valley in Arizona, a miner and his friend discovered the dead body of a horse which had been lying for some time upon the crude borax deposits. As they were nearly dying from thirst, they cut into the flesh in order to moisten their lips with the blood. Much to their surprise, they found that both flesh and blood were quite sweet owing to their preservation by the borax. This incident led to an investigation of the properties of borax, and its final adoption by the medical faculty as an antiseptic agent of great value.

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