

Abolish the Tax

So Says Mining Convention Respecting the Two Per Cent Enactment.

Favors Getting Needed Revenue by Tax on Net Profits of Mine.

Seconds Lead Miners' Complaint and Wants Better Terms.

Problems affecting the mining industry were discussed yesterday at the annual mining convention now in progress in Victoria, and very important action was taken as the result of the deliberations...

The convention was called to order shortly after 10 o'clock by Chairman John Keen, who announced that arrangements had been made for the delegates to be photographed in a group at the conclusion of the morning session.

The committee on rules of order submitted a report containing simple rules of procedure in the conduct of the deliberations, which was adopted...

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grate by having large bodies of ore. If they were worked as the employment of a great body of men. It could be shown that the entire taxation collected from the mines, as a whole, came from the mines, as the whole community was dependent upon the latter...

It had been asked what had they to substitute for the two per cent tax? Well, several had been suggested at various times, but was it after all their duty to make a recommendation to the Government?

W. B. Townsend, Rossland, expressed the opinion that in the event of the 2 per cent tax being abolished, the population of the mining districts would be reduced...

There were loud calls for E. B. Kirby, Rossland, manager of the War Eagle and Centre Star mines. Mr. Kirby said that he was not a delegate, but that he wished to direct attention to the questions...

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Mr. Marshall, Rossland, on the question of the duty of the convention to make a suggestion of a substitute tax, pointed out that the mining industry was paying a larger percentage of the cost of any other industry in the province...

Mr. Gilman, Vancouver, on the question of how to provide revenue, said that more men being employed would mean more revenue to the Government...

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presented by J. L. Parker, and carried by a large majority. The convention should not study the resolution...

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"Machine" Politics

Eastern Grit Methods Were Successfully Worked in North Victoria.

Special Steamer Chartered to Carry Impersonators to Poils.

Galliano Island the Scene of Disgraceful Political Debauchery.

Some light was let on the methods by which T. W. Patterson, M.P.P., had secured his seat in North Victoria, in the Police court yesterday.

The evidence of how the steamer Inigo was taken off her usual route and sent to Vancouver to carry paid impersonators, bought by Mr. Patterson's agent, was given yesterday.

Unfounded reports appear to have got about and this board takes the present opportunity of publishing an authentic denial of these.

The party was landed at Galliano Island, and having been fully instructed as to the exact nature of the evidence given, the party was then taken to the hotel...

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