

A NEW GAS PROJECT

Presented at the City Council Meeting Last Night.

NEW LIQUOR LICENSES

Saloons Without Hotel Fixtures Will Be Taxed \$850 For Each Six Months, in Accordance With the Wishes of the Licensed Victuallers.

A new gas project was submitted to the council Tuesday night at its regular meeting by Geo. W. Richardson of the R. J. Bealey company, but action on the matter was deferred. A considerable grist of smaller business was disposed of. Several weeks ago, it will be recalled, J. Fyfe appeared before the council in the interests of a syndicate to be called the West Kootenay Gas Light & Power company, which asked for a franchise to install a gas system in the city. Although immediate action was requested, the council deferred taking any decision in the matter, and in the meantime the new council had passed into power. Since then a new syndicate, to be known as the Roseland Gas company, has been formed by Mr. Richardson, for the same purpose as the previous one, and the two interests have amalgamated. Mr. Richardson appeared before the council last Tuesday and requested that his concern be franchised to install a gas plant here. He did not want, he said, either an exclusive franchise or exemption from taxation, but merely the right to lay his mains in the streets. Action was deferred until the next meeting in order to allow Mr. Richardson to put in formal shape the proposition he desires, so that the council can deal with the project more competently.

The Sewage Question. Communications on the sewage question took up considerable of the council's time. The announcement that the administration purposes conducting the scavenger service under municipal control had elicited nearly a dozen applications for positions in the new department. Among the applicants for the position of inspector was Thomas Brownlee, who at present conducts the scavenger service as a private enterprise. Mr. Brownlee in another letter also submitted a proposition to the council, offering to reduce the cost of scavenger work and pay the city a percentage of the receipts, if permitted to continue carrying on his business as at present. Daly & Bell submitted an offer to do the city's scavenger work on the basis of 50 cents for four cubic feet or less and 12 1/2 cents for each additional cubic foot, which is just half the present charges, and about two-thirds of the schedule proposed by the council. All the communications were referred to the health committee.

New Class of Liquor Licenses. The finance committee, which had conferred with the police commissioners relative to the request of the licensed victuallers that a new class of liquor licenses be adopted, recommended that bona-fide hotels complying with the statutes be granted licenses on payment of \$150 for each six months, instead of \$200 as at present; and that saloons without hotel adjuncts be licensed at the rate of \$350 for each six months. The committee recommended that saloons running under the latter license must be at least 14 feet wide by 20 feet long and 10 feet high, with proper toilet conveniences. The report was adopted, and Alderman Edgren gave notice of his intention to introduce a motion changing the present by-law in conformity with the committee's report. One of Alderman Goodve of the health committee, called attention to the fact that the city is supporting two or three sick and needy persons who are becoming a heavy drain on the community. One of these, now in the hospital, who has cost the city about \$250, and is not likely to improve rapidly, wants a ticket to the east, where his relatives reside. A ticket would cost about \$70, and Mr. Goodve was puzzled as to what action should be taken. The council placed the matter entirely in the hands of the health committee, with power to act.

BOUGHT TWO LOTS.

The C. P. R. to Erect Handsome Offices at Nelson. NELSON, Feb. 5.—[Special.]—J. Fred. Hume, M. P., left today for Victoria to attend the opening of the legislature. It is reported that the C. P. R. have purchased the two lots at the corner of Baker and Stanley streets from W. R. Hull of Calgary for \$10,000, and will erect handsome brick offices on them. The present offices of the company are too small for the amount of business transacted.

A meeting of the South Kootenay Board of Trade is called for Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock to discuss the question of memorializing the Dominion government regarding the erection of public buildings in Nelson. The present postoffice accommodation is entirely too small for the amount of mail matter handled, and the quantity of business transacted justifies the board in asking that a new postoffice be erected. The government will also be asked to establish a mail service between Nelson and Fort Steele.

It is reported that the provincial government will at the approaching session make provision for the establishment at Nelson of a land registry office for the Kootenay district.

The ore shipments from South Kootenay through the port of Nelson for the past week amounted to 2,846 tons, and of matte to 129 tons. The total value was \$235,804, making a total value so far for 1898 of \$1,429,262, an increase of almost 100 per cent. over the same period of 1897. From present indications will produce over \$15,000,000 in minerals in 1898, as the monthly totals will be largely increased as soon as spring opens by the addition of a large number of shipping mines on which development work is now being done. The figures for the past week were: Trail smelter (matte) 30 tons; Hall Mines smelter (matte) 40 tons; Le Roi, 1,240 tons; Payne, 600 tons; Reco, 20 tons; Rambler, 45 tons; Whitewater, 277 tons; Kootenay Ore company, 224 tons; Kootenay Ore, 60 tons; Diamond, 40 tons; Slovan Star, 60 tons; Iron Mask, 160 tons. Never before has there been so good a feeling among owners of mining prop-

ties as at present. The market during the past week has been of a steady and substantial character, with a good demand for stocks of merit. Poorman, Josie, Iron Mask and War Eagle of the Trail creek, and Dundee, Fern and Athabasca of the Nelson district, were especially in demand.

Hugh Madden, brother of Ald. Madden of Nelson, is expected back from Dawson City this week. He is reported to have done well in the northern gold fields.

THE WINTER CARNIVAL.

The Round Trip Rate and the Official Program. (From Tuesday's Daily.) The Canadian Pacific railway has granted a rate of one fare for the round trip to Roseland from any point in West Kootenay and return during the coming winter carnival. Tickets will be good coming on the 18th and 17th and going on the 20th. The Columbia & Western has granted a similar rate good coming on the 17th and 18th and returning on the 20th. A rate of one and one-fifth fare has been granted on the Spokane & Northern, good coming on the 17th and returning on the 21st. There are eighteen events on the program and the affair promises to be a most successful one in every particular. The several committees are busy attending to the duties that have been delegated to them and nothing will be spared to make the affair a complete one in every particular. Following is the official program:

The carnival will open in the Palace skating rink at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, February 17, with the first of the series of games in the hockey tournament, open to all the hockey clubs in the province, for the championship of British Columbia and a silver cup, valued at \$100, presented by the citizens of Roseland, which must be competed for here annually until won three times by the same club. At 9 p.m. the same evening, a grand carnival ball, under the auspices of the carnival committee, will be given at the Hotel Allan.

Friday, February 18, 10 a.m.—Curling bonspiel will begin in the Palace skating rink, open to all curling clubs in the province. The matches will be for the championship of Kootenay and a silver medal for each member of the winning team.

Prospectors' Snowshoe Race, 1 p.m.—Three miles. Course from the corner of Columbia avenue and Washington street to Deer Park mine and return; wagon roads barred; free for all prospectors. Prizes, \$15 and \$10.

Ski Racing, 2 p.m.—Championship of Canada; free for all. Course is from the summit of Red Mountain to the Black Bear compressor plant, a distance of a mile and a half, with a descent of 2,000 feet. Prizes, silver cup, presented by the Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, which must be competed for each year at Roseland until won three times by the same person, and gold and silver medals, presented by Ross Thompson.

Coasting Race, 2:30 p.m.—For championship of British Columbia; on Davis street. Handsome trophies. Hockey Tournament, 3 p.m.—Second of the games for the championship of British Columbia. Three Mile Skating Race, 8 p.m.—For the championship of British Columbia. Prizes consist of gold and silver medals. Boys' Skating Race, 8:30 p.m.—One mile and a half. Open to all boys under 14. Prizes of the value of \$10 and \$5.

Tancy Skating Competition, 9 p.m.—Open to all. For the championship of British Columbia and a gold medal. Saturday, February 19, 10 a.m.—The finals in the curling bonspiel. Snowshoe race, 1 p.m.—Championship of British Columbia. Free for all. Course and conditions same as in Prospectors' Snowshoe race. Prizes, silver cup, valued at \$75, presented by the Le Roi Mining and Smelting company, which must be competed for each year at Roseland until won three times by the same person; and gold and silver medals presented by the citizens of Roseland.

Ski jumping, 2 p.m.—Championship of Canada. Free for all. The contest to take place Spokane street. Prizes, silver cup, valued at \$75, presented by the War Eagle Consolidated Mining and Development company, to be competed for each year at Roseland until won three times by the same person, and gold and silver medals presented by the citizens of Roseland.

Boys' Ski Race, 2:30 p.m.—With two jumps, open to all boys under 15, course on Spokane street. Prizes of the value of \$10 and \$5.

Exhibition of Ski Running and Jumping, 2:45 p.m.—On Spokane street by O. Jeldness and others. Hockey Tournament, 3 p.m.—Finals for the championship in the Palace skating rink. Grand Masquerade Carnival, 8 p.m.—In the Palace skating rink. Prizes valued at \$75, for best costumes and characters.

Presentation of Prizes, 9 p.m.—At Palace skating rink by the Mayor and Mrs. Wallace.

GRAND FORKS ELECTION.

Attorney General Declares It to Be Null and Void. GRAND FORKS, Feb. 6.—Correspondence arrived here yesterday from the attorney general's office at Victoria with reference to the recent municipal election middle here. In speaking of the recent election that official says that the election itself was bad, and suggests that the people of Grand Forks agree on a mayor and council, irrespective of property qualification, and then petition the legislative assembly to pass a special bill providing for the chosen council to take their seats for the remainder of the present year, in which time there will doubtless be ample material for a legal council. Tenders are being called for the building of a 200-foot bridge across the main Kettle river at the head of First street. The bridge will cost some \$1,500. Work was started in cutting the bridge timbers yesterday.

Fatal Fall. TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 9.—James H. Graham was killed today by the falling of a straw stack.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

In this column THE MINER is pleased to answer inquiries regarding mines and mining companies of the Roseland camp, but as in many cases some time and so little correspondence are required to obtain the information requested, letters do not receive an immediate answer. THE MINER can not undertake to reply by letter to inquirers.—Ed.]

The Wild Horse. 1516 VALLEJO STREET, San Francisco, Cal.

EDITOR MINER:—Sir: I should be glad if you would give any information regarding the Wild Horse Gold Mining company of your city. Any information you can give me regarding its financial and working condition would be greatly appreciated by,

Yours faithfully, S. S. [The Wild Horse Gold Mining company owns seven claims—the Nebraska Girl, the Big Two, the Big B, the Molly F, the Commonwealth, the Red Lion, and the Whale—in the vicinity of Ymir, Nelson district, and about 30 miles in an air line from Roseland. The claims are located on Wild Horse, Bear, Porcupine and Quartz creeks, in the vicinity of such well-known properties as the Dundee, the Tamarack and the Ymir. Work is actively in progress on the Nebraska Girl and the Big Two, which are being developed jointly by a tunnel and a winze. The tunnel is now in 153 feet, and the face of it shows about four and a half feet of well mineralized rock, comprising galena and carbonates of lead and iron. Assays from the ore range from \$40 to \$60 and a test of the ledge matter went \$24. A crosscut of the ore chute showed it to be 12 feet wide, with numerous streaks of high grade ore. Chas. Parker, who has the development of the property in hand, speaks very highly of the showing, which, he says, has increased in size with every foot of work so far done, and he believes that the Nebraska Girl has the making of a mine.

The company is in excellent financial condition, and is being operated conservatively and economically. Jos. L. Dabney, the secretary-treasurer, bears a high reputation here for integrity and ability. The company has sufficient funds at present to keep it going for the next nine or ten months, and of its treasury stock about 400,000 shares remain on hand. The stock is meeting with a steady sale at 15 cents per share. All the promoters' stock is pooled.—Ed.]

In Hard Lines. ROSSLAND, B. C., Jan. 31, '98. EDITOR MINER:—Sir: Would you please give me some information respecting the financial standing, etc., of the Roseland and Trail Creek Mining and Development company so that one may form an opinion as to its suitability as a means of investment. Your kind attention will be esteemed by, yours respectfully,

N. O. WILDCAT. [The Roseland and Trail Creek Mining and Development company is in financial straits. It owes about \$900, and there is no immediate likelihood of its resuming work.—Ed.]

The San Francisco. BRANSON, Mo., Jan. 31. EDITOR MINER:—Sir: Can you inform me in the next issue of THE WEEKLY MINER, what is the position of the San Francisco Mining company, and what are the prospects of the company for the future. Yours truly,

SHAREHOLDER. [The San Francisco Mining company has not been working its property, the San Francisco, since April last, when the company was entangled in a law suit. The resident agent, Smith Curtis, announces that this entanglement is now being satisfactorily settled, and he anticipates that work may be resumed this spring. E. E. Lightcap, Winnipeg, is the secretary, and inquiries may be directed to him.—Ed.]

AT EUREKA CAMP. Privileges of the Residents There Have Been Considerably Enlarged. F. M. Wells, mining engineer, is here from Eureka, where he is established in business. He reports that Eureka is prosperous and that many are going in there. This is especially the case since the ruling made by Judge Hanford of the United States district court for the district of Washington, which permits saloons to be maintained in the town of Eureka. This decision, it is said, permits the cutting of timber on the reservation and also confers other privileges, so that it will make the camp a comfortable place in which to live, because houses can be constructed at a being made in the mines there, and the latest news from the Republic is that a good-sized body of ore has been encountered on the second level that will average six ounces to the ton. It is expected that the mill on this mine will be in operation by the 1st of April.

Notes From the Gazette. The last British Columbia Gazette contains the registration of the following extra-provincial companies: The Byron N. White company, with a capital stock of \$500,000; head office in Sandon, and Bruce White as attorney. The Gold Hill Mining company, with a capital stock of \$500,000; head office in Roseland, and J. A. Macdonald of Roseland as attorney. Monarch Gold Mining company, with a capital stock of \$750,000; head office in Roseland, and W. A. Smith of the same place as attorney. Rambler & Cariboo Consolidated Gold & Silver Mining company; capital, \$1,000,000; with head office at Kaslo, and William Hastie as attorney.

Following are the new incorporations: The Mira Monte Mining company, limited, with a capital stock of \$100,000, divided into 100,000 shares of \$1 each. The object of the corporation is to carry on a general mining business in the province of British Columbia, and the specific object is to acquire the California group at Lytton. The Yukon Gold Mining company, limited, with a capital stock of \$350,000, divided into 350,000 shares of \$1 each. The object is to carry on a general mining business, and the head office is in Victoria.

Vancouver Newspaper Scheme. VICTORIA, Feb. 7.—[Special.]—It was given out here today that a really first-class daily newspaper is to be started in Vancouver shortly by a strong company in which the Province Publishing company is heavily interested. It is said that Nichols, editor of The Province, is promoting the scheme.

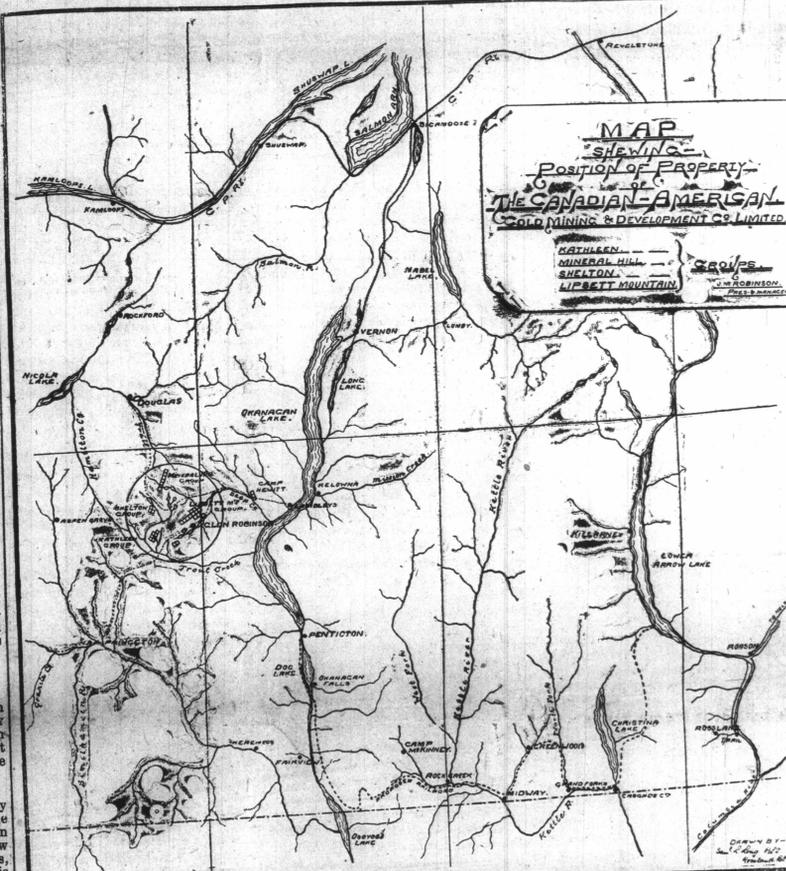
KEEP YOUR EYE ON GLEN ROBINSON

THE NEW FREE GOLD MINING CAMP, 12 MILES WEST OF OKANAGAN LAKE, IN BRITISH COLUMBIA. THE TOWNSITE OF 960 ACRES IS OWNED BY

The Canadian-American Gold Mining and Development Company.

The town is to be governed on a semi-cooperative basis. Civic government by commission and civic insurance. The "Guttenberg" system of handling the liquor traffic, etc., is to be tried.

This company also owns THIRTY-SEVEN mineral claims, or nearly 1,800 acres of mineral land. Twenty-five of these are free gold properties, eight refractory ore gold and 4 silver-lead. It also owns 620,000 shares of the capital stock of five other mining companies operating in British Columbia.



- Following are the names of the claims owned by this company:
- KATHLEEN GROUP: Nannie S. Kathleen St. Elmo Little One Kate McRitchie Encouragement Best
 - MINERAL HILL GROUP: Sadie B. J. M. R.
 - LIPSETT MT. GROUP: Canadian King Julia Anna Lily R. Doctor L.
 - ALMA MATER GROUP: Silver King Mountain Queen Mary F. Shiloh Golden Terry Rosebud
 - ARTHUR R. ALMA MATER: Arthur R. Alma Mater.
 - SHELTON GROUP: Inga Caroline Jack Robinson
 - JOSIE GROUP: Iron Hill Josie Ohio True Blue

THE CANADIAN-AMERICAN COMPANY is capitalized at \$1,500,000, divided in 1,500,000 shares of \$1.00 each, fully paid and non-assessable. Treasury, 1,000,000 shares. Full amount of Promoters' stock pooled till a dividend is paid.

OFFICERS: J. M. ROBINSON, President and General Manager; DR. R. C. LIPSETT, Vice-President; T. J. SMITH, Secretary; W. J. ROBINSON, Treasurer; and W. J. SHELTON, Mining Superintendent. Head office of the Company—ROSSLAND, B. C.

The company is mining continuously, night and day shifts, on the Josie group and the Alma Mater group. There is a tunnel in 120 feet on the Alma Mater which is situated close to the company's townsite. This tunnel is running through highly mineralized rock, and it is the intention to crosscut the lead when the tunnel is in 200 feet. Mr. Watkins, a man of 25 years' experience in mining says: "I am satisfied that a large body of paying ore exists here." On the Josie group the last reports were that the shaft was down 95 feet and that they had started to crosscut the ledge where it is expected that a large body of ore will be found.

THE TOWNSITE—At present a gang of men are at work putting up houses, stock warehouses, etc.; a large pack train has been put on to get in supplies and will run until a wagon road from the lake is made, a petition for which is being sent to the government to have the road built at once.

This company gives every promise of being the wealthiest and most influential mining concern on the American continent. Its foundations have been securely laid on the strictest of business principles, and it has reached that stage where failure is well nigh impossible. It has good properties—plenty of them—\$20,000 in cash in the treasury and upwards of 300,000 shares of unsold Treasury stock, with which to carry on its mining operations.

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