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MR. HILL'S "CRIPPLE."

James J. Hill, the president of the few days since that he would visit the "cripple." By this he meant that he would inspect the Spokane Falls & Northern and Red Mountain railways. Yesterday Mr. Hill inspected these roads and passed a few minutes in this city. It might be said for the information of Mr. Hill that the Spokane Falls & Northern and the Red Mountain railways were not crippled up to the time that they became a part of his system. Since that time, however, there has been a constant story of delayed freight and passenger trains. This has been so much a source of annoyance that the Rossland board of trade has taken up the matter and filed a protest against a further continuance of so bad a state of affairs. The reason for this is because freight trains are hitched to passenger trains until it is impossible for them to make schedule time. The freight trains are too large for the capacity of the engines and the result is that they time. Had Mr. Hill inquired he would they do not care much whether trains come in on time or not. The trouble is much mystery, and the sooner the inthat the company apparently desires to formation is given the better. get more service out of the engines than there is in them. One conductor of a freight train was called into the office of the manager of the road in Spokane a ing, that it is ephmeral, for the alleged few days since and asked why it was that he could not make better time be- This may be true of some deposits that tween Spokane and Rossland, and his are small and shallow, but there are reply was: "Give me a train that a white man can make time with and I will be able to get through on schedule of a cessation in their output. It is true time, but no one can make trips on time with machine drills, steam hoists and with more cars than the engine is able the dynamite for an explosive that ore to haul."

Therefore, if President Hill will issue they used to be when the hoisting was orders that trains be made up with less done on men's backs, the drilling by cars than are put into them now, there hand and ordinary gunpowder was used would be no more trouble with delayed trains, and there will be no need of his calling the Spokane Falls & Northern and the Red Mountain railways cripples.

## THE YOUNGER GENERATION.

People here are beginning to look This shows that they believe that Rossland will last for some time. This is evidenced by the the members of the several committees of the midwinter carnival are encouraging the boys to take an interest in hockey playing, ski races snowshoe racing and other sports. The carnival committee has its eye on the future, and wishes to have a lot trained athletes of home make in the years to come, who will assist in making the annual cold-weather festival an immense attraction. In this they will be successful, and some of the boys of today will be the champions of a few years from now. Your average boy is nothing if not imitative, and it is natural for him to indulge in the same sports as hi He takes to them as a duck does The advantages here for making good hockey players, ski runners, curlers, snowshoe runners and skaters are superior to those of any other town in the Province. With a winter that last for five months there is snow, ice and time enough for practice. They can do this before and after school, and on Saturdays and other holidays. With all these favorable factors there should be bred a race of hardy mountaineers here, who will be true "Men of the Northern Zone," and who can enter the athletic lists with those of any country in the world and carry off the prizes. After all, the men raised in Pacific railway, has informed a Montreal like charity, should begin at home. the more northern latitudes have the paper that his company has decided to northern barbarians under Alaric and with. The point at which the smelter other leaders were the first to make will be located has not been decided on, kneel and grovel at their chariot wheels. select a site that will be convenient to ions and also Mr. Thompson's letter of It was the hardy Russians who first the mines of the district. checked and defeated the hitherto in- It is hoped that this report is true. If vincible Napoleon, and from the burning it is, southeast Yale will soon be the quisition is a long one and very repreof Moscow may be traced the beginning scene of great mining activity, the like sentative of the city, including men in

Corporal. It is, therefore, palpable that the carn- ducer of mineral wealth. It will take est in manly sports.

# THE GOVERNMENT'S RAILWAY

The News-Advertiser is the authority for the announcement that the Semlin government intends to persue a progressive railway policy. Some roads will be itself. left entirely to private enterprise, others will be state-aided and others again will be constructed entirely by the state. The particular line of policy to be perdetermined when the case comes up.

the extent and nature of these plans, thoroughly well served with railways. are stalled and cannot make even fair struction. Unless the Government making, there is every reason to believe have been informed that the train detailed explanation of its railway policy of the people of Kootenay fully satisfied crews are on duty for forty hours at a there is a probability that the develop- in this respect. stretch and are so tired and worn that ment of the Province will be greivously retarded. We see no good reason for so

It has been said, in reproach of min-

reason that mines are quickly worked out. cases where mines have been worked for several centuries and vet give no signs deposits are worked out quicker than for an explosive. There are, however, deposits of ore that are so extensive as to seem to defy the puny efforts of man to work them out. One of these is a copper mine at Falum, Sweden, that has been worked continuously for 700 years, or 300 years before the discovery of America. From records it is learned that this most ancient mine has vielded 500,000 tons of copper, 15 tons of silver and 1½ tons of gold, representing a value of \$277,500,000. Its greatest production of copper was in 1651, when 3,066 tons were produced, and the lowest was in 1883, when 388 tons was the yield. If the figures as to the yield are correct the gross product of this property outs it at the head of all mines, so far as aggregate value is concerned, in the world. The Consolidated Virginia paid, we think, somewhere in the neighborhood of \$75,000,000 in dividends. Its gross product was something more than \$100,000,000. The Calumet and Hecla is the next largest dividend payer, and it has paid to its shareholders up to date \$54,850,000. There is no data available as to the gross output, but put it at twice the amount paid in dividends and this would be \$109,700,000, and still it would be about \$168,000,000 short of this mine in Sweden. Those who favor the theory that it takes time to work out mines, and it is the correct one, can point with pride to the excellent record of this Swedish mine, which has been a producer of metal for 700 years, and will doubtless go to the 1,000-year mark be-

genuine endurance and make the best erect a 1,000-ton smelter in the Boundsoldiers. They have always been the ary Creek country, and that the work of unconquerable races of the world. The construction will be commenced forth-Rome, that queen of ancient empires, but it is the intention of the company to

of the end of the downfall of the Little of which has never before been wit- every walk of life, from the common nessed in the west. It has been proved laborer to those of the learned profes-It is the practice of just such sports beyond all doubt that there are immense sions and pastimes as the boys of this city are | bodies of copper and copper-gold ore in | The wording of the requisition shows now indulging in that will make sturdy the Boundary Creek country. During that Mr. Thompson's friends are not men of them. It will, aside from the the past 18 months the numerous min- forgetful of the important part he has intended by the manage- eral properties of that section have played in the up-building of Rossland, may be seen in some of the larger cities. facilities to at once become a large pro- ty as to the signatories. is completed. The establishment of necessary, and from thence on the Boundary Creek country can take care of

# C. P. R. BRANCH LINES.

more information on this very important | brook or Fort Steele, on the line of the subject. A government that will go so British Columbia Southern, westerly far as to announce its intention to build along the Kootenay and the Columbia state railways must have some well rivers, to a point at or near Golden, on Great Northern railway, announced a developed plans in that direction. The the main line of the C. P. R. With this public would like to know something of line in operation East Kootenay will be affording the young men of this country

and what districts will be favored by this This, the latest railway project of the innovation in the development of the C. P. R., is quite in line with the policy Province. It would also be inter- mapped out by the company some time esting to know what the Government ago. A little more than a year ago Sir would expect in return for contributing | William Van Horne promised that every towards the cost of railways pro- camp in Southeastern British Columbia moted by individuals. In the partially would be provided with railway facilities developed districts there is a pressing with the least possible delay. Since need for railways, and it is very import- then the Crow's Nest Pass and the ant that no time be lost in having them | Slocan Valley railway have been comestablished and in operation. There are pleted, and routes have been surveyed dozens of railway schemes now in pro- for lines of railway through the Lardeau cess of incubation, but this indefinite and Ymir districts. It only remains for faith in the ultimate success of the fast it compulsory for the merchants and announcement of the government's rail- the C.P.R. to build the East Kootenay, steamship service between Canada and householders along the main thoroughway policy leaves every railway pro- Lardeau and Ymir branch lines, to con- Great Britain. It is high time that this fares to keep the sidewalks free from moter in British Columbia in an alarm- nect the Nakusp and Slocan with the service were established. There should snow. It is also gratifying to note that ing state of uncertainty as the whether Arrowhead line, and to extend the Rob- no longer be any need for Canadians citizens generally have manifested a willor not the state will proceed with the son-Penticton road to Hope, on the desiring quick transportation across the ingness to comply with the provisions construction of a line of railway over the Fraser river, to give Southern and route that he has mapped out just about Southeastern British Columbia a splenthe time that he has perfected all his did railway service, and, judging from plans, financial and otherwise, for con- the preparations that the company is comes out boldly and gives a lucid and that the near future will see the hopes

There are some people in this community who send to the departmental stores THE PERMANENCY OF MINING. in Toronto and elsewhere for various articles of daily use. In this way a large sum per month is sent out of the city. This is a short sighted policy and one that should not be indulged in. As long as money is kept at home it is of benefit, and each individual runs a chance of getting hold of some of it. If, however, it is sent abroad the chances are very remote that it will ever be seen in this community again. It is obvious that the more money that can be kept at home the better it will be for the people who live here, because plenty of circulating medium means good times, while a shortage means dullness, stagnation and hard times. It will be argued by some that even if the goods are purchased here the merchant from whom they are purchased will have to send the price he pays for the goods away. This is true, but he keeps his profits, and they, at least, remain here. The local merchant is entitled to con-

sideration. He pays rent, clerk hire, pelled to go out of business. In such a ate prices. contingency the patrons of these forthem all their trade.

east than here. After all the cost of paid for the article is added together it is frequently found that the cost is greater than if the article or articles had been bought at home. It seems to us that there should be an immediate stop put to this purchasing of goods and Manager Whyte, of the Canadian merchandise in other cities. Patronage,

THE MINER prints this morning the requisition asking Ross Thompson to of Rossland at the forthcoming electacceptance.

The list of names attached to the re-

EDITORIAL NOTES

RECRUITING stations for the British regular army are to be established in every military district in Canada, thus better facilities for entering the service.

ending October 31 show that 18,846 per- He is also reported to have said that sons arrived at ocean ports and declared "There is nothing there (Boundary Creek) their intention of settling in Canada. except woods and a few prospects. Sir This is an increase of more than 1,000 William Van Horne can have it if he over the corresponding period of last wants it." This is a surprising statement year. One-third of this number came for Mr. Hill to make. Can it be that he to British Columbia and the Northwest is so ignorant of the splendid mineral

LORD STRATHCONA has recently expressed himself as having the greatest enforcement of the by-law which makes Atlantic to patronize American lines of the by-law. There is really no cause running in and out of New York.

THE Colonial Goldfields Gazette, of London, Eng., vigorously backs up THE MINER in its contentions for the establishment of a government school of mines in Rossland. The Gazette points out, and very properly too, that it would Germany and the United States to be a great benefit to the Province to have such an institution, and that there is no place in British Columbia that offers so many advantages to the suc- NO GREAT cessful operation of a school of mines as does Rossland.

THE appointment of John A. Turner to the position of gold commissioner of the Nelson district is in every respect a good one. Mr. Turner is a merchant who has resided in Nelson since that town was a small and unimportant settlement. By patient industry, enterprise and commendable thrift he has built up one of the most prosperous business houses in the Kootenavs. He is liked and respected by all who know him. In the performance of his duties as gold commissioner there can be no doubt that he will be an able, conscientious and obliging official.

It is reported from Winnipeg that company is organized to spend half a lion acres of land in Southern Alberta There is a great extent of arid land in taxes and aids materially in keeping up snows for an abundant supply of water. the town. Without him Rossland would The scheme should not present any not amout to a great deal and he is serious engineering difficulties, and, quite a necessary and important factor. | carried out, will be an incalculable bene-If all the people of the city were to send fit to the Kootenays, insuring this dis-Toronto, Montreal and Spo- trict an abundant supply of excellent kane for their goods, he would be com- vegetables and farm products at moder- will be taken up after the new year and

R. J. Pettifer, of the United Empire eign stores would starve to death, per-league, has published a pamphlet advo-If the desire is general that Rossland small duty on foreign wheat, and the should not amount to anything as a com- free admission of Canadian wheat, would saries and luxuries. On the other hand, ing: "We should then see the tide of if the citizens have any local pride, if immigration, as far as agriculturists are local dealers to the extent of giving | we should have a regular rush of farmers from Illinois, Wisconsin, Nebraska, It is often a mistake to suppose that Minnesota, Kansas and other States of goods can be purchased cheaper in the the Union into Manitoba and the Northwest Territories." A preference in the postage, expressage and the amount British market would be one of the best things that could happen to Canada.

THE superintendent of the National park at Banff in his annual report quin and Laurentian parks established respectively in Ontario and Quebec. Compared with Banff's area the areas of tho United States national parks are from 500 to 2,500 square miles larger. accept the nomination for the mayoralty There is enough wild land in the Rockies around Banff for the establishment of a dozen large parks without fear of a human being coming to trouble, or the country put to the cost of more than a few thousand dollars a year. The recommendation of the superintendent of consideration. Now, if ever, is the time when the limits can be easily extended, and the insurance bills were not menand it is hoped that the government tioned. will act accordingly.

the carnival committee, been systematically and extensively and they do not fail to remind him, in con- formation of a humane society in this them strong, healthy and developed and many claims have been cise and well chosen language, of the city is a good one. There is a class of liam's trip, and a semi-official statement ninety-eight. sturdy and better fitted to make brought beyond the prospect stage. The reasons why they consider him in every men who are prone to be cruel to dumb to that effect will be issued. The Gertheir way through life than if they had dumps show thousands of tons of ship- respect a fit and desirable person to per- animals. They cruelly beat and abuse man agrarian press violently comments been raised as mere boneless and sinew- ping ore, and the workings in not a few form the duties of chief executive officer horses and other animals under their on the latest official report of Germany's less mollycoddles who have been nurt- instances admit of heavy stoping. In of the municipality—reasons which must care. A humane society would go a the current year, showing that the imured under glass. Specimens of this class short, the district only needs smelter be as patent to the rest of the communi- long way towards stopping these forms portation of American pork has more of cruelty. A cruel man would hesitate than doubled compared with the im-Mr. Thompson's letter of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of acceptance is before he abused his horses if he sight that the table of the sight that the sight that the table of the sight that the table of the sight that ival management is doing a public good some time to construct these reduction just what might have been expected thought that some member of the soci- United States ought to be framed to for A. G. Elliott, free miner's certificate No. in encouraging the boys to take an inter- works, but if the company commences to from the man. He shows becoming ety might be around and that he might wholly exclude American meat products of 200A, intend, sixty days from the date from Germany. build now, they will be ready to treat modesty, but also a keen appreciation of be arrested and prosecuted for his of- from Germany. the ores of the surrounding country by the responsibilities of the office, and a fense. Owners of horses would hesitate at the prospect of an Anglo-German the time the Robson-Penticton railway straightforward willingness to do his before they turned animals out into the entente, but the German papers refrain best for the welfare of the community. cold to die of hunger and starvation, from an effusive display of gladness, these two conveniences is all that is Underlying all this is an undercurrent when they felt certain that they would evidently with the view of securing the 12-8-10t of self-reliance which is pleasing. \* be prosecuted therefor. It will, there-So far, Mr. Thompson is the only can- fore, be seen that the effect of a society Chamberlain's friendly allusions to Gerdidate in the field. It remains to be for the prevention of cruelty to animals many are due to the great disappointseen whether other aspirants to the will be a great deterrent to cruelty. ment in England at the cool tone of office will come forward and oppose his The society could in a short time have a The Canadian Pacific Railway com- election, but, judging from the formid- fund at its disposal and this could pany has announced its intention to able nature of Mr. Thompson's requisi- be used in prosecuting those guilty of American mercantile marine." At the sued in each individual case will be make application at the forthcoming tion and with a knowledge of his great the infractions of the laws for the prosession of parliament for a charter em- popularity with the electors, the proba- tection of animals. When a few con-It is disappointing that the Govern- powering the company to build a line of bility of such a contingency arising victions were secured through the efforts power has to pull chesnuts out of the ment organ cannot bring itself to impart railway from a point at or near Cran- seems decidedly remote.

marked decrease in the breaches of the law in this direction.

A NELSON paper reports J. J. Hill. president of the Great Northern ailway as saying that the idea of his applying for a charter empowering him to build a railway into the Boundary Creek coun-Immigration returns for the 10 months try was two ridiculous for discussion.

> THE police deserve praise for their for complaint on this score.

resources of Southeast Yale?

Become Friendly.

The Press Comments Show a Veiled

Berlin, Dec. 10 .- Before leaving Berlin for South Germany, Dr. Von Holleben, the German ambassador to the United States, made the following remarks in conversation: "Both the German and Washington governments are anxious to improve the relations be-

foreign affairs, had several long interviews with Dr. Von Holleben last week. All the important questions concerning America were thoroughly discussed. fail to see any reason." the ambassador said, "why with good will on both sides million dollars in irrigating half a mil- all the differences, and none is of great moment, cannot be adjusted amicably. In behalf of the German government I can state that the most hearty sympathy an exceptionally good climate, with the exists towards the rising American na-Rocky mountains and their lingering tion, and that there is no intention of will be made more than in the past to and the negotiations for a reciprocity treaty, which have been greatly delayed mainly because of the war with Spain, pushed vigorously.

The Claims of Germany. "As to Germany's claims to retain or haps, before they could get the neces- cating a preference in the British market hitherto enjoyed in some Spanish colosaries of life from these far-away places? on Canadian products. He says that a nies now under American sway, their at Washington, especially as the claims mercial center or otherwise, then we build up this part of the Empire. Can- anything the United States under simall should send to these places for neces- adians will agree with him in the follow- ilar conditions would demand them-

"I return to my post at Washington with the firm expectation that the relathey desire to make a lively and pros- concerned, turn from America and flow tions between the two countries, politperous city they should patronize the towards Canada; and not only so, but ically and commercially, will become

> previously, A very full report of the the opening of the reichstag. The comment was general and calm, not any of years the papers expressing agreeable surprise at its peaceful tone.

makes a plea for the extension of its yielding to American demands one except, fortunately, the noble Algon- of German-American commercial relations will have to be made a matter of

This view is expressed by a large portion of the German press, but no intimation has been received from the American embassy and it is understood that even Dr. Von Holleben thus far has no specific instruction on that point.

The German foreign office as a matter of fact does not possess sufficient data to enable it to put forward clearly ex-

Emperor William's speech at the opening of the reichstag is considered the Banff park is worthy of favorable most remarkable for its omissions than for what it contains. The Lippe Detmold affair, the Bavarian military courts William Will Pay.

As an outcome of the newspaper atabandoned its intention of asking the diet to pay the bills of Emperor Wil meat imports for the first nine monts of

best part of the bargain. Saxon alliance and to a certain anxiety same time the National Zeitung exWrite to DR. BOBERTZ, he is

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Certificate of Improvements.

252 Woodward, avenue, Detroit, Michigan

Wide West Mineral claim, situate in the Trail reek Mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 11/2 miles south of the ity of Rossland. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for Ross Thompson, No. 9,967, A, and D. J. Burke, No. 8,920 A, inend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 4th day of October, 1898.
10-6-10t N. F. TOWNSENI

### Certificate of Improvements.

Ophir Mineral Claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of Kootenay District. Where located: Between the Gold King and Coxey Mineral Claims on Red Mountain. Take notice that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for the Jumbo Gold Mining Co., L'd , (foreigh) fee miner's certificate No. 13,082A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

## Certificate of Improvements

Oakland and Emma Weber mineral claim situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the west side of the middle fork of Sheep creek, about two miles west of O. K. mine and adjoining the Cruiser mineral claim. Take notice that I, Kenneth L. Burnet, (acting as agent for Joseph E. Walters, F. M. L. No. 33589 A) free miner's certificate No. 34063 A, intend,

sixty days from the date her grant of the above claim And further take notice that action, under sec-

Dated this 17th day of November, 1898

## Certificate of Improvements

St. Bernard mineral claim, situate in the Trail Baron Von Buelow, the minister of the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the

Dated this 17th day of November, 1898

Application to Purchase. Notice is hereby given that I will, sixty days Division of West Kootenay district, and being

Certificate of the Registration of an Extra-Provincial Company,

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897"

The head office of the company

Rossland aforesaid, is the attorney for th

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limits. Banff park comprises at present success after another has fallen into her tana, and within the Province of British lap, but in view of the entrance of the Columbia and the North-West Ferritory, Canada about 260 square miles, and it is prac- United States among the competitors and the Territory of Alaska; to carry on and contically the only one Canada can show, for colonial possessions a readjustment reduction business; to purchase, acquire, hold keep and operate el ctric light and power plants he mining and treating of ores; to bond, buy, lease, locate and hold ditches, flumes and water own, bond, buy, sell, lease, locate timber and and sell for the purpose of gain and profit or reliable information from merchants ber lands; to authorise and empower the Board of Trustees of this corporation to make all purchases and all sales of property owned by this Company, without the consent of the stocklaws of other States of the United States and of THE movement looking toward the tacks the government seems to have time to time seem meet and proper.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Vicof September, one thousand eight hundred and

# Certificate of Improvements.

Registrar of Joint Stock Comp an ie

James Stanley mineral claim, situate in the

Douglas mineral claim, situate in the Trail regarding the intention to develop the tificate No. 12,405A, intend 60 days from the date tificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. presses absolute sympathy with the al- | And further take notice that action, under of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1898. 2-8-10t O. B. N. WILKIE, P. L. S. redichda migat and