

SPORTS OF A DAY

Various Features of Holiday Programme—Horse Races Indifferent—Hose Race a Fiasco—Drilling Matches Really Best Feature.

Rossland's carnival of sports was not all that might have been in several respects. The attendance of outsiders was large, although the postponement of celebrations doubtless prevented others from coming to the city from Trail and Boundary points.

The rearrangement of the programme by which the morning procession was eliminated militated against the success of the day, for a serious blank was left in the entertainment of the morning. Then the fire team fiasco cut out another important feature and the delays in connection with the drilling contests, together with the abandonment of two horse races combined to make a chapter of unfortunate circumstances all affecting the success of the day in a general sense.

The patriotic features were largely eliminated. The big Union Jack was not hoisted on Mount Roberts and the salute of 21 guns from the peak was cut out. This left merely the sports together with the evening attractions. The illumination and the animated appearance of the streets during the evening, with the well decorated windows, displays of colored and other lights proved to be one of the most enjoyable features of the entire day.

THE HORSE RACES.

The horse racing was practically confined to three events. The gentlemen's saddle race and the free-for-all were eliminated for lack of competitors, leaving only the local consolation and exhibition events to be run off. In the first heat of the local saddle race P. Burns & Co.'s horse, ridden by Bub McKellar, captured first money, with J. Fowler's horse, ridden by Francis Glover, second, and Andrew Garvey's horse, ridden by Tug Wilson third. In the second heat McKellar brought his horse over the wire first, again, with Garvey's horse second and E. B. Lockhart's horse, ridden by Harold Lockhart, third. The money was divided as the horses finished in the second heat.

The consolation race followed with the same entries, winners barred. Two heats were run, the horses finishing in such as follows: Fowler's horse, ridden by Glover, first; Farquharson's horse, ridden by Wilson, second; McLeod's horse, ridden by "Hurly" McLeod, third.

It was in the second heat of the local saddle horse's event that the unfortunate accident referred to elsewhere occurred.

The judges on the horse races occupied a stand in front of The Miner office and were John W. Hartline, H. J. Raymer and Samuel Tonkin.

GOOD SPRINTING.

The sprinting on Columbia avenue before lunch proved to be interesting and keenly contested. The struggle in the 100 yard and 220 yard dashes was practically confined to Mitchell of Greenwood and Raabe of Rossland. The plucky Rossland runner proved to be too fast for the Boundary man, and although the latter was touted as a "special fast 'un," and his following was prepared to back him substantially. In the hundred yard dash Raabe led from the start, winning by a few inches in 10 2-5. In the 220 yard event Mitchell led away from the tape, but was overhauled and passed by Raabe about 25 yards from the tape. The time was 33 3-5. The sprinters made particularly good time considering the fact that they ran over an earth course that was quite soft in spots. Raabe's victory was enthusiastically cheered by his Rossland friends and he was showered with congratulations.

The fat men's hundred yard race proved to be amusing. The entries were M. O'Neill of Greenwood, who was an athlete and should not have been allowed to compete; Judge J. W. Nelson, Samuel Tonkin and Mike Snick. The men not aware nicely with O'Neill leading, a position he maintained across the tape with ease. Sam Tonkin was running well in hand when he stumbled over a crossing and literally plowed up the roadbed for a dozen yards. The "Mayor of Burnt Basins" was close behind. Tonkin took a header over him into the crowd. Neither man was seriously injured, although the genial boniface of the War Eagle and Le Roi hotels will carry a sore knee for a few weeks as a souvenir of the carnival. Judge Nelson ran like a stricken deer and took second money.

It is understood that the judges very properly barred O'Neill of Greenwood from the fat men's race and awarded first prize to Judge J. W. Nelson.

THE HOSE RACE FIASCO.

The real disappointment of the day was the hose race fiasco. Trail, Grand Forks, Greenwood, War Eagle mine and city department entered teams in the competition but no races eventuated, although all the teams were on hand. The reason for the difficulty was

the presence in the city team of Harry Houston, Johnnie Campbell and Kirby Douglas, all of Nelson and all fast men. The trio were brought over for the express purpose of competing and lined up for the event, upon which the other teams protested and flatly declined to participate. In the hub-and-hub race the city men were the only team to run; they centered over the course, finished alone and claimed the prize money, which was not conceded.

The protest entered by the visiting War Eagle teams was founded on the fact that three of the men—those named—on the city team were admittedly foreigners expressly imported for the day and therefore ineligible to compete. The Trail men, in addition, would not run for money prizes, several of its members being amateurs who desired to retain their amateur standing.

The reply to the protest was that the rules of the races as promulgated by the committee in charge had no clause relating to the debarring of outsiders, that members of any team must be residents of the town from which the particular team was entered. The city team further pointed out that no team had been required to supply a list of its members and that none of the outside teams had taken any steps to establish that they were not running "angers," in fact it was charged that Greenwood had at least one man from Midway who had been brought to Rossland for the day only. Moreover it was contended that the city department must run outsiders, as the entire department only numbers six men and some of these must be kept continuously at the central station to guard against emergencies, and that being under the necessity of bringing in outsiders nothing in the rules debarred them from running Nelson men if they so desired.

The foregoing outlines the position taken by both sides to the question and the result was a deadlock. When it was seen that nothing could induce the outside teams to compete, Chief Guthrie stated that he would run the wet test with men from the hall only, and then later in the day said that the city department would not compete. The representatives of the War Eagle and outside teams held, however, that it would be difficult to get their men together again and decided to abandon the races altogether.

The entire incident was altogether unfortunate. The city department made a mistake in bringing outsiders in for the day, but it must be remembered that the committee in charge is to some extent responsible in framing the rules so loosely that a coach and four could be driven through, and, when matters came to a "show-down" in not barring the city team in inter and allowing the remaining teams to run for the money. This course would not have pleased the friends of the city department, but it would have settled all disputes as to the bona fides of the committee and proved a decidedly sporting manner to follow. In fact the committee might better have divided the purse among the teams and had them run an exhibition rather than that it should be said in future that there was the slightest attempt at sharp practice.

The following notice has been handed to The Miner for publication: Rossland, B. C., June 26, 1902. I desire to state that as secretary of the general carnival committee I have declined to issue a check for the prize money in the hose team races scheduled for today, reasons being that the races were not of a satisfactory nature to the management.

In connection with the matter I desire to state further that I had no part in the organization of the Rossland fire department team. The selection of men for the team rested solely with the captain, Mr. Gus Raabe, who is also responsible for the make-up of the team as protested against by the other competitors in the events. (Signed) CHAS. COLLINS.

DRILLING CONTEST.

Great interest centered about the drilling contests at the corner of Spokane street and First avenue, and these probably drew and held the larger crowds of spectators than any other feature on the programme. The drilling by machines proved a novel and interesting spectacle. Unfortunately there was difficulty about the air supply, which was courteously supplied by the Rossland Great Western Company, and it was 4 o'clock before the drillers got down to business. From that hour to 8 o'clock the teams followed each other rapidly but sufficient time was not available for all the contestants to compete and an adjournment was finally taken to 9 o'clock this morning, when the remaining teams entered will make the fifteen minute run.

Grosso and Boston, an Italian team, who operated the machine drilling contests had an unfortunate time of it, their drills only penetrating to a depth of 2 feet, 7 inches. The trouble was with their steel, which was not sufficiently highly tempered to stand the rock. Curriline and Galling, who represented the pick of the Le Roi mine, were a striking contrast to the team that had preceded them. Their work at the drill and in putting it up was of the highest order, and deserved all the applause that they received. They went into the rock to a depth of 5 feet 3 inches, changing drills on an average of every forty seconds. From present outlooks they are pretty sure of carrying off the

prize, as both the Centre Star teams came up to their record. Curphy and Robbins, of the Centre Star mine, were the next men to try their hands at the machine. They were a trifle slow in fixing the drills in the machine and only penetrated to a depth of 4 feet, 7 inches.

Sam Coombs and Ed Webb, of the Centre Star mine, only got to a depth of 1 foot, 4 inches when the judges called time.

John Hanna and Joe Thorpe had a hard time of it and got stuck at a depth of 4 feet, 2-1/2 inches. The drill had stuck two or three times before which accounted for their poor showing.

R. Hand and George Williams were the next men up. Their drill was out of gear, the side rod breaking after two minutes' drilling. Then men were granted another trial, they getting in to a depth of feet, 8 inches.

The last drilling of the evening was by the Nickle Plat mine team composed of George Pringle and Abe Bryson. The drill penetrated to a depth of 4 feet, 4 inches, when the judges called time.

HAND DRILLING.

The first prize in the hand drilling contest went to H. M. Vance and Gus Skoglund, the Le Roi mine team. The men had many supporters in the crowd that surrounded the platform, but the majority were for the team made up of M. Burns and Maurice Power. The pair drilled for seven and a half minutes and their drill broke off. With a broken drill they continued the struggle for eleven minutes, finally giving up the struggle after going into the rock 26 inches. The team composed of William Tallen and William Durham got second, and the enthusiasm within an ace of taking the first prize. Durham, who was not used to a drill for over a year, was consequently, not in the best of condition for a match of the sort he had before him. The team did very well and made great progress until the drill stuck in the hole. They drilled 32-1/2 inches, just a fraction behind the winners. It is possible that a match for \$500 will be arranged shortly between Tallen and Durham and Vance and the Skoglund teams, to take place within the next few days.

The result of the rest of the drilling contests, and the enthusiasm with which the youngsters went in for the events, created much amusement. Principal Tait of the Central school officiated as master of ceremonies, with Principal McTaggart of the High school and H. W. Simpson as judges. The races were exceedingly managed and resulted as follows: Boys under ten years, 75 yard dash—First prize, football, Donald McPhee; second prize, tool chest, Lorenzo Lapsley. Girls under ten years, 75 yard dash—First prize, tea set, Clara Heard; second prize, doll, Joseph Tremblay. Boys under 10 years, 100 yards—First prize, ball, over 100 yards, Frank O'Neill; second prize, kodak and films, Frank O'Neill. Girls under 12, 75 yards—First prize, tea set, Sarah Lee; second prize, kodak and films, Florence Wilson.

CHILDREN'S CONTESTS.

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BERKELEY WON OUT.

Helped on by the strains from the city band and the nervousness of Costello, the Rossland baseball club took a journey to the clouds yesterday. They returned to earth, firming again Berkeley had the game well in hand, and no amount of good playing could have got the contest from them. The balloon voyage was a stupendous success, taken from the Berkeley standpoint, but a dismal failure when the score and mark out the number of earned runs secured by the collegians. The score, instead of being 11 to 1, should have been about 4 to 1, and would have been if the locals had not got such a pronounced case of stage fright in the early part of the game. The team did not play together as they should have done, but played, or attempted to play, the game all by themselves without listening to the orders of the captain. The result was only what one could expect under the circumstances. The team needs a general shaking up and more practice. Taken yesterday, the only members to show to any advantage was Worth at short and Gibson at first. Worth came near playing the entire game, while Gibson made a star one-handed catch which brought the crowd to its feet. Worth played all over the range and accepted nearly everything that came his way. The playing of the team on the whole merits a severe criticism. Nothing so amateurish in the way of ball playing has been seen here in a long while, but it was due more to the fact that the locals had little or no confidence in themselves and went into the game with the conviction that they were going to be beaten.

Today the locals will pitch their latest phenom, young McAstocker, who comes with a good reputation to back him up. From his looks and his actions in yesterday's game one would judge that he is a ball player that is bound to be heard from in the course of time. He has the speed and the shoots, besides having everything that a pitcher should have. He will, it is certain, pitch a great game if given the proper support. The game today will commence at 2:30 p. m.

A description of yesterday's game is hardly necessary. It was Berkeley first, last and all the time. The collegians' runs were all due to errors for the greater part, although a couple of long home-runs served to make the contest interesting. Overall and Heit-muller both landed on the ball for terrific drives and ambled around the circuit. The score is appended below: ROSSLAND. AB R B H PO A E Holland, 2nd b. 4 1 0 1 2 1 Vaughan, 1. f. 4 0 1 1 0 1 Gibson, 1st b. 3 0 0 8 0 0 Worth, s. 4 0 0 4 0 1 McAstocker, c. f. 4 0 0 4 1 1 McCreary, c. 3 0 1 0 0 0 Nudler, 3rd b. 3 0 2 0 1 0 Costello, p. 3 0 2 0 1 0 McDonald, r. f. 3 0 0 1 0 1 Totals 31 1 4 23 9 6 CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY. AB R B H PO A E Hamlin, c. f. 4 3 1 0 0 0 Adams, s. 4 2 2 0 2 0 Hendricks, 1st b. 4 0 0 13 1 0 McKeown, r. f. 4 1 2 3 1 7 Heitmuller, 1. f. 5 2 2 1 0 0 Williams, 2nd b. 4 1 1 0 3 0 Overall, p. 4 0 0 7 1 0 Gardner, 3rd b. 4 0 0 1 0 1 Totals 37 11 9 27 10 1 *McKeown out in sixth for running out of line.

SCORE BY INNINGS.

R. H. E. Berkeley ... 4 2 1 0 3 1 0 0 1 9 1 Rossland ... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 4 6 SUMMARY. Earned runs—Berkeley, 3; Rossland, 0. Two-base hits—McKeown. Home runs—Heitmuller and Overall. Base on balls—By Costello, 1; by Overall, 1. Struck out—By Costello, 7; by Overall, 5. Hit by pitched ball—Hamlin. Wild pitch—Overall. Passed ball—McCreary. Stolen bases—Williams, one hour and Keown. Errors—Fraser, one hour and fifteen minutes. Umpire—Burken. Official scorer—Statter.

AT NIGHT.

The evening's entertainment was pleasant. The illuminations were excellent, particularly that of the West Kootenay Power & Light company, which has already been referred to in The Miner. The entire front of the company's building was outlined, in big United States flags, and this, with the candescent lamps, and the electric lighted lanterns, made a display that has probably never been equalled in the Kootenays. Manager Campbell and General Superintendent Macdonald of the West Kootenay company richly merit a vote of thanks for their efforts in contributing this admirable feature to the city's decorations.

The corporation had strings of brilliantly colored Chinese lanterns strung across Columbia avenue at various points, some 300 lights being employed thus. The effect was charming and was noted with pleasure on all sides. Bonfires on Columbia avenue added not a little to the program, from the view-point of the youngsters, although the fires were somewhat limited in size to conform with the limit of safety.

The band concerts throughout the day were good. The City and Graham's organizations played well at various points, and the large number of persons on each occasion. The bands' part in the program was certainly deserving of encomiums.

The machine drilling contest concluded Friday afternoon about 4 o'clock. The result of the contest was a complete success, as the Rossland team of the Le Roi mine took first prize on their Thursday record of five feet and three inches, with Williams and Robbins of the War Eagle second, the latter's record being five feet and one inch. Eighteen teams were entered in the hand drilling Thursday and the balance drilled yesterday morning and afternoon. The contest was decidedly interesting and was easily the best drawing card on the entire program.

The incidents attending the first day's drilling have already been referred to in The Miner. The teams were drilled yesterday from fifty to two hundred spectators were constantly on the ground, and the efforts of favorite teams were warmly applauded. The Williams-Robbins team work was the best of the entire series, and it was the opinion of most of the spectators that they would have won the first prize easily had it not been for the manner in which the supply of compressed air fluctuated. When the men went in to drill they had ninety pounds of air, but while they were at work the pressure commenced dropping. Before their 15-minute limit had expired the pressure was down to 70 pounds and their machine would not do nearly the work that they would otherwise have secured from it. This variation in the air supply undoubtedly lost the contest for the War Eagle men, whose two-way drill was the only one that was not affected by several inches and established a new record for the competition. The last four teams drilling yesterday afternoon had the same trouble with the air, which fluctuated between 70 and 90 pounds.

The first men to drill yesterday were Nicholls and Robb, but they made a bad set-up and dropped out. Rumpel and Griggs followed, making four feet. Erickson and Dahman were the next team, and their performance was four feet two inches. Maston and Takoy fol-

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loved with three feet two inches, while Irvine and Selver made four feet three inches. Burns and Powers came to grief, a bad set-up causing their tripod to jump the platform after they had made two feet ten inches. Tallen and Vance placed three feet ten inches in their credit, and Drysdale and Hickey made four feet one and a half inches. Then came Williams and Robbins, whose performance took second prize. One of the features of the competition was the excellent work by Bryson and Pringle on Thursday. The team did not win any of the money hung up, but their work, particularly in setting up the machine, was magnificent.

The interest manifested in the contest by the miners of the camp in particular was great, and the drilling competition will probably be included in any future program of sports in Rossland.

GOOD COMES OUT OF EVIL

The fiasco of Thursday in connection with the hose team races has had one excellent result—the formation of an organization for the purpose of establishing such regulations as will effectively prevent in future the occurrence of such misunderstandings as that which wrecked this particular sport yesterday.

A meeting took place at the Hotel Allan of the representatives of various teams and others interested in the sport, the following being present: Mayor Clute, Mayor Binns of Trail, Wilcox, Strout, McDonald, McCarthy, Mitchell, Guthrie, Fraser, Munlu, McKenzie, Savage, Strickland, McMorde, Raabe, Rolfe, Watson, Davis and Jenkins.

His Worship Mayor Clute presided, and J. H. Watson was appointed secretary. On motion of the mayor and Mr. Rolfe, it was decided to organize a Kootenay-Tale Fire Association, with which all fire departments in the districts specified will be invited to affiliate.

It was resolved that the chiefs of the respective departments form the executive committee of the association. Another resolution was adopted to the effect that Mayor Clute, Secretary Watson, and the Rossland fire department draft a set of regulations to govern and hose reel and hub-and-hub racing and that copies of the regulations be forwarded to the various departments for approval and amendment. This was taken as the initiative in a movement that might have been inaugurated throughout the Kootenays years ago with benefit to all interested in firemen's sports. The sport has been conducted in the past on more or less "wide-open" lines that made possible such incidents as was witnessed here yesterday.

WORKING FULL HANDED.

Coal Companies Claim to Have Plenty of Men.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., June 26.—Officials of the several large companies in this region are authority for the statement that men are applying to them daily for employment of any kind, and it is said that nearly all the companies have more men to draw on than they can possibly need during the progress of the strike. The majority of the companies that are compelled to pump water from their mines are working their engines and other machinery full handed, according to statements made by the superintendent, but some of the men are not as capable as those on strike. The most capable of those that are now applying for work are taken on, while the others are placed on the waiting list.

YOUNG TRAIN WRECKER.

Clarence Place, 18 Years Old, Is Under Arrest.

KINGSTON, N. Y., June 27.—Clarence Place, 18 years old, is under arrest for attempting to wreck the flyer on the Ulster & Delaware railroad near South Gilboa, in the Catskills. He placed a spike on the rail on the upper side of a sharp curve on a high embankment. Only the pony trucks of the engine and the rails when the train was brought to a stop. Place says he wanted to wreck the train for fun. Railroad men say it was marvelous that the train was not wrecked and hundreds of passengers killed.

PREMIER LAURIER.

He Will Return to Canada in the Month of September.

MONTREAL, June 27.—The Star's London cable says: Laurier and other colonial ministers are conferring with Hon. Joseph Chamberlain today preliminary to the formal opening of the colonial conference Monday. Tomorrow the Canadian troops will visit the feet assembled off Spithead and other festivities early next week before they leave Liverpool on Thursday for Canada. Laurier will visit the continent three weeks hence, and will probably return to Canada during the month of September.

PRAYERS FOR KING.

Petitions Offered Up by All the Churches in Montreal.

SUIT OF HUTCHES B. C. COPP

(Special to The Miner.)

GREENWOOD, B. C., June 25.—In the county court of Yale, sitting at Greenwood yesterday, before His Honor Judge Leamy and a jury, the case of Richard H. Hutches vs. the B. C. Copper Company, Ltd., in which plaintiff sued to recover the sum of \$1448.25 alleged to be due to him by defendants, was heard. The circumstance attending the case was that a few weeks ago Frederick Keffer, general manager for the defendant company, had informed Hutches, who was superintendent of the company's Mother Lode mine, situated near Greenwood, that the company had decided to let all underground mining work by contract, so as to reduce the cost of this work, which to the company to continue underground work without further loss. The manager states that he fully informed Hutches what the reasons were for this decision on the part of the company. The miners were invited to bid for the work on contract, but with such an unsatisfactory response that the manager suspected some secret influence was at work to induce them not to do so, or, if they did bid, only at much higher rates than the company was already paying by day's labor. At the close of the month of April Hutches gave thirty days' notice of his intention to leave the company's service, but the manager, having what he be-

COAL ON NORTH OF THE K

GRAND FORKS, B. C., June 25.—

The B. C. Coal company will install a diamond drill plant next month on its coal property, comprising eleven thousand acres, situated on the North Fork of Kettle river, sixty miles north of this city. The plant is now en route from Chicago. It is proposed to prospect the ground thoroughly to a depth of five hundred feet. Bituminous coal of good coking quality was discovered on the North Fork a year ago by Joseph Wiseman of this city. A number of seams were stripped, the widest one on the surface being

ENTRIES FOR HENRY

LONDON, June 28.—The entries for the Henley regatta were announced this evening. Outside of the usual British competitors the only crews and scullers entered are: For the Grand Challenge Cup—Argonauts of Toronto and the Club Nautique of Ghent, Belgium; for the Diamond Sculls—S. Titus of the Union Boat Club of New York, L. F. Scholes of Toronto and L. X. F. Preval of Nice;

EXCITEMENT AT C

CAPE HAYTIAN, Hayti, June 28.—Great excitement has prevailed here since yesterday. Admiral Killick, commander of the Haytian fleet, disembarked troops to support General Firmin, former Haytian minister at Paris, and one of the candidates for the presidency of the republic, and after refusing to recognize the constituted authorities threatened to bombard Cape Hay-

JUNE 26 AT KASLO.

Only the Children's Fete was Carried Out—Day Was Chilly.

(Special to The Miner.)

KASLO, B. C., June 26.—June 26th, 1902, will be long remembered in Kaslo as perhaps the dulllest and dreariest of the holidays ever known. The people deprived of their expected jollifications and whilst deeply regretting the cause felt inclined to blame "circumstances" generally. The day was cold, damp and miserable. Only the children's fete was carried out as arranged, both the excursion by the Eagles for the youngsters, and also the concert and free entertainment provided by the school trustees were carried out with a zest and heartiness in order not to disappoint the young lives. The military ball in the evening was also carried through but was not so largely attended as would have been the case had there been no cause for sorrow. Not a flag or piece of bunting was displayed on the day, though observed as a civil holiday, was kept for the most part as a day of mourning for the stricken monarch.

THE TRAIL SMELTER.

Ships Fig Lead to Winnipeg—W Ship Regularly in Future.

TRAIL, B. C., June 28.—A consignment of pig lead was made to Winnipeg today by the Trail smelter and shipments of pig lead will be continued regularly to Eastern Canada. This is the first pig lead that has been produced on a commercial scale by electricity and it is believed that this process, in which electricity is used to place of fire methods, will as completely replace the old fire methods of copper refining as has been the case

DECLARED AGAINST STRIKE.

PATERSON, N. J., June 28.—The general committee of the different branches of the silk industry met tonight and declared against strike.