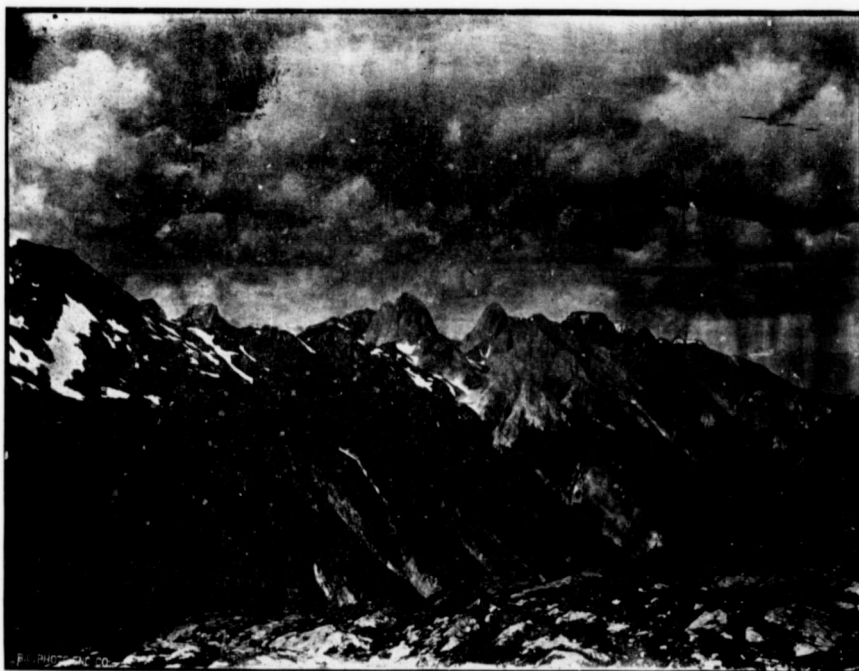


ment work, which has been done, has in most cases proved encouraging, but it is costly work and capital is hard to induce into a district where access is none too easy, and the chances of economical shipments not fully assured.

The government has spent in roads and trails over \$22,000, which has done much to mitigate the hardships of travelling over them, which had to be encountered last year.

make a twenty ton shipment to the Trail smelter, which after paying \$47 per ton for freight charges and treatment netted them the handsome returns of \$268.84 to the ton. The values in the 20 tons were, gold \$237.58, silver \$4,985.95, lead \$589.96. Picked samples from some of the rich carbonates ran \$13 in gold, 989 1/4 oz. silver, 58 per cent. lead. The lessees before quitting work for the winter had in a little over four months taken

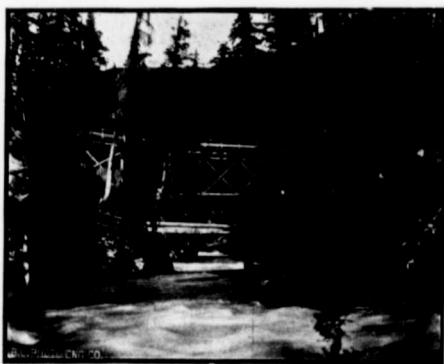


IN THE HEART OF THE SELKIRKS.

Prospectors have been working steadily on their claims and a few excellent results have been attained, notably so in the cases of the Triune and Cromwell. The first named was staked three years ago, but up till last season no work of any importance was done on it. Last year, however, the owners leased the property, and after ten weeks work the lessees were able to

out 200 tons in all, and as careful assaying has been done right along the values of the shipments to come will net them returns quite equal to the first. Needless to say the present owners place a very high value on their property, which is reasonable as the ore shows every sign of holding out.

Next in importance to the above must be ranked the Crom-



THE "BRIDGE OF SIGHS," NEAR FERGUSON.



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