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PROVINCIAL CABINET CHANGES.

The prophecy from Victoria that there is some probability of W. W. B. McInnes, M. P., resigning his seat in the house of commons to enter the legislative assembly lends no little interest to the local political situation. There is room in the legislature for a man of Mr. McInnes' calibre. He is young, energetic, progressive and possessed of considerable ability. While the news of his intentions may cause surprise in certain quarters, for the reason that the member for South Nanaimo is a Liberal, while the members of the Turner cabinet are decidedly Conservative in their political proclivities, it is not at all unnatural that Mr. McInnes should desire to change his base of operations as a public man from Ottawa to Victoria. In doing so he would not be sacrificing himself. There are not to be found anywhere better chances for advancement in political fame or for the achievement of public honors than there are today in the British Columbia parliament. The enormous area of the Province and the almost limitless extent of its many varied resources, admit of it becoming one of the richest and most important domains of the British Empire. The man who succeeds in guiding the Provincial ship of state, with a strong, unfaltering, unerring hand, until it is safely anchored in the harbor of our greatest prosperity, will perform a truly glorious achievement that will entitle him to rank as one of the great men of the world.

The prediction that Mr. McInnes would assume the office of attorney-general, adds to the importance of the rumor concerning his identification with Provincial politics. This would necessitate the resignation of Hon. D. M. Eberts from the cabinet, and would mean, also, probably, his permanent retirement from public life. While such a result would be a source of disappointment to the electors of South Victoria, which constituency Mr. Eberts has conscientiously represented for a number of years, it might not, however, be incompatible with his private inclinations. It is an open secret that the attorney-general finds public life rather irksome and that he only entered the legislature, and subsequently the cabinet, at the earnest solicitation of his friends. Mr. Eberts is very popular both in and out of the House and it is certain that, should he give up his portfolio, his abandonment of public life would be very generally deplored.

ROSSLAND AS A JOBBING CENTRE

There is not the slightest doubt but that Rossland will ere long be an important jobbing point. This is obvious to those at all familar with the situation. The importance of her mines has made her the railway, the banking, the populous, and the commercial center of Southern British Columbia. Already she is the third largest city in the Province. With the increase of her output of precious metals it will not be long before she will be twice or thrice as large as at present. With the increase in importance many of those mercantile establishments that are now carrying on a retail business will evolute into large jobbing houses, carrying stocks that will be measured by tens of thousands instead of by thousands of dollars, as is the case today.

We occupy a most enviable position from a geopraphical and transportation standpoint. All railways entering the district must have a Rossland connection if they wish to experience great business advantages. The C. P. R. and the American roads have connections here already, and, in the near future, there will be more railways with termini in this city. The completion of the lines of transportation that are now in course of construction and that will be built in the next two or three years will make tributary to Rossland the immense region which extends from the foot hills of the Rockies to the eastern slope of the Cascades, and from the International boundary to the main line of the C. P. R. It will include the mining camps in the Nelson district, the towns along the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, the numerous flourishing points on the shores of Kootenay lake, the Slocan, Duncan, Lardeau, Gold Range districts, East Kootenay, the Boundary country and the settlements along the valley of the Okanagan. With such a territory before them for commercial conquest, the Rossland wholesale merchants will occupy; indeed, an enviable position.

LOCAL POSTAL FACILITIES.

The existing arrangements for the dispatch of mail between Nelson and Slocan points are very unsatisfactory. It takes three days for a letter to go from Nelson to Slocan City, and there is no reason, except the negligence of the postal authorities at Ottawa, why more than three hours should be consumed in transmission. The reason for this is the refusal of the Dominion government to arrange a mail service via the Slocan branch of the C. P. R., owing to the fact that it would entail an additional outlay of about $2,600. In the meantime the people of the Slocan, and all those of outlying points with whom they transact business, are caused great annoyance and inconvenience.

The niggardly treatment that this district has of late received from the several public departments at Ottawa is becoming a matter of too frequent comment in the local press. Kootenay's demands for appropriations for public buildings, the improvement and survey of navigable streams and lakes, the protection of the banks of the Columbia river near Revelstoke, and for adequate postal facilities seem to receive little or no attention. It would be well for the prestige and popularity of the Liberal party if the Dominion government gave greater heed to the representations of Mr. Bostock in matters relating to public convenience in Southern British Columbia.

THE EVENING STAR DEAL.

In another column will be found an account of a transaction by the Evening Star Mining company (foreign) which is attracting a large share of public attention. Such actions as are described in this article are calculated to bring the mining business into disrepute and to cause buyers to shun it as much as though it was a bunco or an unfair game of any kind. It appears from the account that a faction of the company, headed by D. M. Drumheller, who is president of the Evening Star company and also vice-president of the Traders National bank of Spokane, sold to M. M. Cowley, who is president of the same bank, about 240,000 shares of the treasury stock of the company for 2½ cents per share. It is held that the real value of the stock is five cents.

The claim of Mr. Drumheller and his associates that the company was financially embarassed and that the sale was one brought about by its necessities, is not borne out by the facts. It is said that the total indebtedness did not reach over $350.

That the stock was disposed of for much less than the selling price is strongly borne out by the fact that a Toronto syndicate sent $4,500 to Spokane with which to purchase 90,000 of the 240,000 shares. This was at the rate of five cents per share. It is no wonder, therefore, that mining men in this camp and elsewhere are indignant and that the stock has experienced a sharp decline since the details of the transaction were made public. While all that Mr. Drumheller and his associates have done in this matter is within the pale of the law, still, to say the least, it savors of sharp practice.

While this transaction has caused a great deal of talk, and will tend to bring the mining business into disrepute, it must not for a moment be taken as a sample of what is general in the conducting of the mining companies of this section. While the affairs of this particular company have been operated in the manner described there are hundreds of corporations that are being conscientiously and carefully managed so as to be conducive to the very best interests of the stockholders. It is, however, to be deeply deplored that such actions are possible, and it would be better for the general interest of the mining industry if it were made impossible for such collusion as was practiced in the instance under consideration to be repeated. Stockholders should be protected in every possible way against unfair combinations and schemes of all kinds. If there are not proper safeguards to protect their interests there will of necessity be a great curtailment in the sums that will be put into mining ventures and the industry will suffer greatly from a lack of confidence and capital. Although such instances as the one described today are extremely rare still the eyes of many have been opened to the fact that this sort of fraud can be perpertrated, and the sooner it is made impossible the better. The remedy lies with the legislature, which should take the matter in hand during the present session. It seems that an amendment to the companies act could be drafted so as to prevent in the future such unsavory transactions.

THE BOARD OF TRADE.

The people of East Kootenay recognize the importance of losing no opportunity to gain much needed appropriations from the Dominion government for public works in that district. Fort Steele has dispatched a delegate to Ottawa with this end in view. The hustling people of the Boundary country have also sent a strong delegation to the same place for the purpose of obtaining the enactment of legislation of importance to that region. In the meantime Rossland makes no move whatever to obtain an appropriation for the construction of a substantial building for the accommodation of Federal officials located here, or for other public improvements. Our board of trade would be utterly useless, except for the exertions of the secretary, and is a disgrace to the city. Unless it wakes up and attends to what is manifestly its duty, Rossland will gain an unenviable reputation for lack of public spirit and enterprise. This city is acknowledged every where as the metropolis of Southern British Columbia, and it rests largely with the board of trade to see that the municipality and the country tributary to it secure the prompt attention of both Dominion and Provincial governments in all matters of public requirements. It is not to be expected that the authorities at Ottawa and Victoria will consider the wants of this district except they are first informed as to their nature. As the situation is at present it is necessary for our members in the house of commons and in the legislative assembly to come and ask us what we want, and even then some difficulty is experienced in getting together a representative body of citizens to meet them and give the desired information. The Rossland board of trade should rouse itself to a condition of usefulness, and lose no time in making demands for appropriations for public improvements in this district that are so greatly needed.

KOOTENAY OIL FIELDS.

One of the many resources of British Columbia which will be extensively developed in the near future and which promises to be a great industry, is the petroleum fields of the Flathead valley in Southeastern Kootenay. This is a section of country but little known, and is separated from the remainder of the district by a high range of mountains. The natural outlet of the valley is down the Flathead river into Montana, but, with the completion of the Crow's Nest Pass railway, there is every probability that Canadian capital will shortly be invested in marketing this oil. According to a recent issue of the Fort Steele Prospector, these fields cover a large area of territory, plentiful indications of the existence of petroleum being found on the eastern slope of the Rockies, in Alberta. Samples of oil from the Flathead valley have been tested by the Dominion government and found to be purer and of higher grade than any petroleum hitherto discovered on the American continent.

It would be difficult to over-estimate the value of these fields. It is possible for them to be worked so as to give the people of the West an illuminant and fuel of excellent quality at an extremely low cost. It may be, too, that the production of petroleum in East Kootenay will ultimately be so enormous as to admit of the breaking up of that most colossal of monopolies, the Standard Oil company.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

It is highly gratifying to know that a meeting of the Rossland board of trade has been called for tomorrow evening to arrange for proper representation to the Federal and Provincial governments of the need of appropriations for public improvements in Rossland and the surrounding district. It is to be hoped that the meeting will be attended by everyone interested in the welfare of the city, and that no effort will be spared to secure appropriations for our chief requirements from either government.

We would suggest that the Federal parliament be strongly urged to erect in Rossland without unnecessary delay a substantial building for the accommodation of the postal, customs and inland revenue departments, at a cost of from $35,000 to $40,000, and that a sufficient sum of money be set aside at the present session to improve the navigation of the Columbia, Duncan and Kootenay rivers and Kootenay lake.

The Provincial government should be informed of the great advisability of making Trail Creek mining division a separate electoral district; of the need of a court house; of the reasons why a land registry office should be established in Rossland for the accommodation of the Kootenays; of the need of an appropriation of $15,000 for educational facilities in Rossland and Trail, and the request for the sum of $30,000 for roads and trails in various parts of this division should be emphatically set forth.

The appropriations above referred to, if promptly and favorably attended to at Ottawa and Victoria, will satisfy the principal public requirements of the district until parliament and the legislative assembly meet again. We do not believe in making extraordinary demands on the public treasury, and recognize that there are other districts that are also entitled to relief. If the sums herein enumerated are provided without delay, Rossland and Trail Creek will be more or less content to struggle along for a while as best they can.

THE REAL KLONDIKE.

The estimate of the value of placer claims in the Klondike district, made by John D. McGillivray, the competent and reputable expert who is acting for the New York Herald, must prove interesting reading to those who are being attracted to the Yukon gold fields, and it should prove enlightening to those who believe that there are exceptional opportunities there to make fortunes at placer mining.

The most important sale yet made in the district is reported by Mr. McGillivray as twelve claims on Bonanza creek, "all of these have been proven of value and six are reported as among the richest on the creek," purchase price said to be $865,000. Mr. McGillivray further says "the most promising claims in Hunker creek don't command more than a few thousand dollars."

The Engineering and Mining Journal of New York attaches considerable importance to the information furnished by the correspondent of The Herald, and in commenting on the mining situation up north says the chances for fortune in the Klondike are fewer and the risks far greater than in California, Colorado, Montana and many other states, or than in British Columbia, Australia or some other foreign countries

Reliable advices from London are that the Klondike boom is dead there, as to finding capital. The wave of excitement in connection with the Klondike, that swept through this country and the United States, has about subsided and the general public are rapidly realizing that the transportation companies and a few shrewd adventurers are responsible for the craze rather than the existence of extraordinarily rich deposits of gold.

In the meantime the output of the rich gold, silver and copper mines of Kootenay continues to steadily increase, and public interest in the district is becoming more and more general.

RAILWAYS TO THE ARCTIC.

By the building of the Stickeen-Teslin railway, Canada will enjoy the distinction of being second in establishing a system of transportation that will practically reach to the Arctic Circle. The only reason why she is not first in this enterprise is that the Klondike was not discovered sooner. As it is she is only beaten by Russia by a few months. The last-named country has just completed the construction of a railway from Vologda to the port of Archangel on the southeastern corner of the White Sea, and at the mouth of the river Dvina. This new line, which was opened some weeks ago, is nearly 400 miles in length. The Archangel road traverses a route fraught with many engineering difficulties, the cost of constructing a small portion of it being sufficient to build and equip the Mackenzie-Mann railway. While Canada has built her road to the Arctic regions to develop gold fields, Russia's object is to furnish an outlet for enormous deposits of petroleum and to furnish transportation facilities for her northern provinces.

THE WINTER CARNIVAL.

The first winter carnival of Kootenay has passed into history, and all things considered has been a success. Those who took hold of the carnival and pushed it to a successful issue have performed their task well, and are entitled to a due mede of praise. They have done well, and would have made even a better showing had there been more time in which to operate. The prizes were especially valuable and appropriate, and they have been widely distributed and without favoritism, so that visiting sportsmen from each city represented at the carnival will return home with some of the laurels of the contests. The foundation for carnivals of the future has been well laid, and the story of the last three days' struggles for supremacy in the different events will be told and retold many times in the different towns and camps of Kootenay during the next twelve months. These recitals will breed in those who hear them, and who love healthy, manly winter sports, a desire to enter the games of next year and to struggle for the prizes, and the result will be that the entries will be much larger than at the first carnival, and it will require more strength and skill than on the present occasion to carry off the prizes. The fame of the annual games held here will thus travel afar and next year the contestants, instead of being confined to British Columbia will come from the neighboring provinces to participate in these hibernal sports. There is good reason to suppose that in time the attendance will be as large and the city as famous for her annaul winter carnivals as are Winnipeg and Montreal, and that in the not distant future we may erect huge ice palaces in which the indoor games and sports may be played before thousands of spectators.

The climate and the geographical position of Rossland is such that it is a natural center for midwinter sports. It has been suggested, however, that the carnival be held a few weeks earlier in the season, for the reason that there is less likelihood of a thaw, say about the middle or the end of January. The city is easily accessible by rail both from the north and the south, and is the best point in Southern British Columbia for the holding of these events. In order that the sphere of the carnival may be enlarged, it would not be a bad idea to begin the work of arranging for it next year three months before it begins, in order that it may be well advertised, and so that those skilled in skating, hockey and other sports could be invited to attend from Winnipeg and the towns of Eastern Canada.

THE MINER is pleased to note the cordiality with which the neighboring towns have responded to the invitations sent to them to come to Rossland to have a good time. As far as we can learn they are greatly pleased with the treatment they have received while they have been our guests, and that they return to their homes pleased with themselves and us. On behalf of the citizens and the winter carnival committee we extend them a hearty invitation to again visit us next year. They will find our latch string on the outside and we assure them of as hearty a welcome and even a better time than they have had on the present occasion.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

DR. Milne is evidently determined that Dr. Walkem shall not be the only political weathercock around the capitol.

THE news of the sidetracking of the British Pacific by the Provincial government will be hailed with unrestrained delight throughout the length and breadth of Kootenay.

IT begins to look as though the Cassiar Central legislation will cause more trouble in the Opposition than the Government ranks. The hide-bound Liberals who sit to the left of Mr. Speaker, having in mind the Stickeen-Teslin lake deal, will surely quarrel with their brother Oppositionists, who are Conservatives, should the latter say that the granting of mineral lands to railway companies up North is bad legislation.

No. 38-97.

Certificate of the Registration of an Extra Provincial Company.

"COMPANIES' ACT, 1897."

"Big Three Gold Mining Company."

Registered the 28th day of December, 1897.

I hereby certify that I have this day registered the "Big Three Gold Mining Company," as an Extra-Provincial company under the "Companies' Act, 1897" to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth, to which the legislative authority of the legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the company is situate in the city of Spokane, State of Washington, U. S. A.

The amount of the capital of the company is three million five hundred thousand dollars, divided into three million five hundred thousand shares of one dollar each.

The head office of the company in this province is situate at Rossland, and W. T. McDonald, broker, whose address is Rossland aforesaid, is the attorney for the company.

The time of the existence of the company is fifty years.

The objects for which the company has been established are:

To work, operate, buy, sell, lease, locate, acquire, procure, hold and deal in mines, metals and mineral claims of every kind and discription within the United States of America and the Province of British Columbia, Canada; to carry on and conduct a general mining, smelting, milling and reduction business; to purchase, acquire, hold, erect and operate electric light and power plants, for the purpose of furnishing lights and creating power for all purposes, and for the purpose of mining and treating ores; to bond, buy, lease, locate and hold ditches, flumes and water-rights; to construct, lease, buy, sell, build or operate railroads, ferries, tramways or other means of transportation for transporting ores, mining and other material; to own, bond, buy, sell, lease and locate timber and timber claims; and finally, to do everything consistent, proper and convenient and requisite for the carrying out of the objects and purposes aforesaid, in their fullest and broadest sense, within the territory aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 28th day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

[L. S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
2-17-5t Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

No. 36-97.

Certificate of the Registration of an Extra-Provincial Company.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

"California Gold Mining Company."

Registered the 28th day of December, 1897.

I hereby certify that I have this day registered the "California Gold Mining Company" as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate in the City of Spokane, State of Washington, U.S.A.

The amount of the capital of the Company is two million five hundred thousand dollars, divided into two million five hundred thousand shares of one dollar each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate in Rossland, and W. T. McDonald, Broker, whose address is Rossland, is the attorney for the Company.

The time of the existence of the Company is fifty years.

The objects for which the Company has been established are:

To work, operate, buy, sell, lease, locate, acquire, hold and deal in mines, metals and mineral claims of every kind and description within the United States of America and the Province of British Columbia, Canada; to carry on and conduct a general smelting, mining, milling and reduction business; to purchase, acquire, hold, erect and operate electric light and power plants for the purpose of furnishing lights and creating power for all purposes, and for the purpose of mining and treating ores; to bond, buy, lease, locate and hold ditches, flumes and water rights; to construct, lease, buy, sell, build or operate railroads, ferries, tramways or other means of transportation for transporting ores, mining and other materials; to own, bond, buy, sell, lease and locate timber and timber claims; and, finally, to do everything consistent, proper and convenient and requisite for the carrying out of the objects and purposes aforesaid in their fullest and broadest sense within the territory aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 28th day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
2-17-5t Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

No. 31-97.

Certificate of the Registration of an Extra-Provincial Company.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

"Giant Mining Company."

Registered the 28th day of December, 1897.

I hereby certify that I have this day registered the "Giant Mining Company" as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the company is situate in the City of Spokane, State of Washington, U.S.A.

The amount of the capital of the company is two million five hundred thousand dollars, divided into two million five hundred thousand shares of one dollar each.

The head office of the company in this Province is situate in the Town of Rossland, and Charles R. Hamilton, solicitor, whose address is Rossland, aforesaid, is the attorney for the company.

The time of the existence of the company is 50 years.

The objects for which the company has been established are:—

To carry on the business of mining, milling, smelting, the reduction of ores of all kinds; to buy, sell and deal in mines; to buy, sell, lease or bond mines or mining property, water rights and conduits, and generally to deal in and handle mining property, water rights, mines and minerals of every description within the United States and the Province of British Columbia; to carry on and maintain rail or tramways, mills smelters and all appliances for the reduction or handling of minerals or metals, and to do all things necessary and proper in connection with the foregoing objects as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this twenty-eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
[L.S] Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.
1-20-5t.

NOTICE.

Application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate the Kootenay Tunnel company for the purpose of buying, acquiring, selling, leasing, mortgaging, and operating mines, mining claims and lands; buying, selling, leasing, mortgaging, constructing and operating tunnels or ditches with switches and branches therefrom for the development and drainage of mines and mining claims; and the transportation, underground or otherwise, of ores, minerals, waste and supplies; dams, ditches, and pipe lines for the impounding and carrying of waste for milling power for domestic and all other purposes; power plants for generating power of any kind or nature, electricity and light; trails, roads, tramways and railways and drainage ditches in connection with such tunnels and mining and transportation operations; mills for sampling, concentrating, handling and reduction of ores and minerals; smelting and reduction plants, with power to build own, equip and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with said undertaking and to levy and collect to the firm all parties using and on all ores, minerals, waste and supplies passing through, over or upon said tunnels, ditches, roads, tramways and railways; and also for the purpose of conducting a general mining business and all its allied interests, including the buying and selling of ores, minerals and bullion; and also for the purpose of raising and securing money for the purposes of the corporation, of executing and negotiating the sale and delivery of notes, bonds and debentures for such money for the said purposes, with all necessary and proper deeds of trust or mortgage to secure the same or any or all the company's properties, rights and franchises; and also for the purpose of acquiring all kinds of real and personal property, together with the power of expropriating lands and rights of way; also for the said company to own the minerals found in the course of tunneling or ditching through lands not located before, and where the line or direction of the tunnels or ditches or any of them are or is laid out upon a plan to be filed with the Mining Recorder of the district wherein the tunnel or ditch is situated.

I. W. MOFFAT,
1-27-6t for self and applicants.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

U. S. No. 2 mineral claim, situate in the Trail creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: South of and adjoining the B. C. mineral claim

Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for J. W. Hinkle free miner's certificate No. 98,800, intend sixty 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.

F. A. WILKIN.
Dated this 5th day of January, 1898. 1-6-1ot

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Bunker Hill mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of Kootenay District. Where located: North of and adjoining the Mormon Girl mineral claim.

Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for T. R. Newman, free miner's certificate No. 5,310a and G. D. Monk, free miner's certificate No. 82,050, 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 claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

F. A. WILKIN.
Dated this 5th day of January, 1898. 1-6-1ot

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Good Hope mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: North of and adjoining the Good Friday mineral claim and north easterly about 1,500 feet from the Jumbo mineral claim.

Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for the Good Hope Mining & Milling company, limited liability, free miner's certificate No. 8,755a, intend, sixty 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.

F. A. WILKIN.
Dated this 12th day of January, 1897. 1-13-1ot

Trail Mining Company, (Foreign).

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Trail Mining company will be held at the office of Reddin-Jackson & company, limited, 108 Columbia avenue Rossland, B. C., on the 4th day of March, A. D, 1898, at 8 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of considering, and if deemed advisable, of passing a resolution authorizing the disposal of the whole or any portion of the assets, rights, powers, privileges and franchises of the company, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting.

Dated Rossland, B. C, this the 25th day of January, A. D. 1898.

GEORGE A. MILLS,
2-3-4t Secretary Trail Mining Co.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Spitzer mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the west boundary of Rossland townsite.

Take notice that I, J. A. Webb of Rossland, July 12, 1897, free miner's certificate No. 3,536a, intend, sixty 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.

J. A. WEBB,
Dated this 3th day of January, 1898. 2-3-1ot

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Mormon Girl mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About two miles north of the Pend d' Oreille river and 10 miles east of its mouth.

Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for G. D. Monk, free miner's certificate No. 82,050 and V. C. Wynegar, free miner's certificate No. 3131A, intend, sixty 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.

F. A. WILKIN,
Dated this 5th day of January, 1898. 1-6-1ot

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Gladiator mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: At the head of Champion creek and about three-quarters of a mile northerly from the Jeff Davis and Free Coinage mineral claims.

Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for A. B. Railton, free miner's certificate No. 79,525, intend, sixty 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.

F. A. WILKIN,
Dated this 2nd day of February, 1898. 2-3-1ot

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Black Hawk No. 2 mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the east side of Champion creek about four miles from its mouth.

Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for R. Miller, free miner's certificate No. 81,641, intend, sixty 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.

F. A. WILKIN.
Dated this 2nd day of February, 1898. 2-3-1ot

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Penobsquis mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: Near the source of Stony Creek, northeast of Rossland.

Take notice that I, William Bauer, acting as agent for Charles Nelson, certificate No. 16,258A, Jas. Stark, certificate No, 6,395A, James Byrne, certificate No. 20,748A, intend sixty 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 27 day of January, 1898. 2-3-1ot

Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual stockholders' meeting of the Dundee Gold Mining company, limited liability, will be held at the offices of the company, 57 Columbia avenue, at 3 o'clock on the 4th day of March, 1898.

GEORGE PURGOLD,
2-17-2t Acting Secretary.

Shareholders' Meeting.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the Rathmullen Consolidated Mining & Development company, limited liability, will be held at the office of the company, Rossland, B. C., on Friday, the 4th day of March, A. D. 1898, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of authorizing a sale of the company's assets.

Dated 3rd February, 1898.
2-10-4t J. M. O'TOOLE, Secretary.

Carbonate Silver Mining Company, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Carbonate Silver Mining company, limited liability, will be held at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Friday, the 18th day of March, A. D. 1898, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering, and if deemed advisable, of passing a resolution authorizing the disposal of the whole or any portion of the assets of the company, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting.

Dated at Rossland, B. C., this 12th day of February, A. D. 1898.

2-17-4t A. F. CORBIN, Secretary.