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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The British Columbia MINING RECORD has nothing whatsoever to do with party politics. Its sole object is to aid in bringing about the rapid development of the mining industry in this Province and anything, whether political or otherwise, affecting this object will be dealt with in these columns.

We have more than once referred to the neglect of British Columbia mining interests by the Dominion Government, but our protests, as well as those of our contemporaries in different sections of the country, have so far received no attention.

So little has been done for the mining community of this Province that one would almost imagine we have had no member representing our interests, or if we had one that he utterly neglected his duty or was unable to command the respect and attention to which his position entitled him.

Whatever may have been the cause the fact remains that the mining districts of British Columbia and especially the Kootenays have been utterly neglected by the Federal Government. Take for instance the mail service. The wretched manner in which it is being handled by the post office department is a crying disgrace, and although nearly every newspaper in the country has reminded the authorities over and over again of their shortcomings, yet to-day there are few, if any, signs of improvement.

Petitions for improvements in our river channels and for the erection of better public buildings in our towns, as well as other much needed reforms, have almost invariably remained unanswered, and while half a million dollars or more were being squandered in a useless session of Parliament not a cent could be spared for necessary public works in Kootenay.

Yet the expenditure of money in assisting the development of our mines would have been a good investment on the part of Canada, far better than the thousands of dollars spent on works in the East which to-day are actually lying idle. The amount of treasure which would flow from our mines into the coffers of the Dominion as a result of development and the increased circulation of money amongst all classes through the impetus it would give to trade and manufacturers can hardly be estimated. Yet in spite of this—in spite of a fact which must be apparent to every thinking man the Dominion Government have practically given us the go-by, and as a result the wealth which should be retained in the country is flowing into the coffers of Uncle Sam.