SMALL DEBTS ACT.

Reasons Why the Full Court Considered It Intra Vires of the Province.

Mr. Justice Drake Hands in a Written Judgment Giving His Views.

Some weeks ago when the question of the constitutionality of the Small Debts court was declared intra vires by the Full court, a verbal judgment only was delivered without any reasons being given as the basis of the judgment, and a written decision was promised later. Yesterday Mr. Justice Drake handed in his written judgment, which is as follows:

"By the terms of union the Dominion government contracted with this province to defray the salaries and allowances of the judges of the Superior and County or district courts. Under the B. N. A. act the province may exclusively make laws for the administration of justice, including the constitution, maintenance and organization of the civil and criminal courts. This includes the power to abolish existing courts and to establish other and different courts, with or without an enlarged or restricted jurisdiction.

"At the time of confederation the only courts existing in this province were the Supreme, County and Gold Commissioners' courts. By section 106 of the B. N. A. act the appointment of judges to the Superior, County and District courts is vested in the Governor-General, and the obligation to pay the salaries and allowances of such judges is imposed on the parliament of Canada.

"But neither the terms of union nor the principal act imposed an obligation on the Dominion to pay the salaries of any other judges than those mentioned, or, as I understand the scope of the act, of any other judges except such as would fairly represent the courts mentioned with regard to the extent of their jurisdiction, because the province could not by abolishing the existing courts and establishing others under a different nomenclature, with equal jurisdiction, escape from the supreme power vested in the Governor-General of appointing the judges. The obvious desirability of making the higher judiciary independent of provincial politics is self-evident. With regard to inferior courts with merely a local and restricted jurisdiction, the same reasons do not have equal weight, for the legislature must be presumed to act for and in the interests of the province, and would properly safeguard the administration of justice by well considered limitations.

"The B. N. A. act by sec. 101, gives power to establish courts for the administration of Canadian law. This would only be exercised in extreme cases such as are not likely to arise.

"The question is one of limited jurisdiction up to $100 in cases of contract, and although the machinery for carrying on the court is similar to the procedure in force in the County court, it does not thereby make it a County or District court.

"The chief argument addressed to us by Mr. Cassidy was that the appointment of all the judges was an exercise of the Royal prerogative and the Royal prerogative could not be taken away without express words. That may undoubtedly be true, but the lieutenant governors of the provinces exercise ther functions as representing the Crown to the extent necessary for giving effect to the laws which every province is entitled by section 92 exclusively to legislate upon. This principle was clearly recognized by the Privy Council in the liquidation of the Maritime Bank of Canada and the receiver general of New Brunswick (C. A. 1892, 437). Therefore the appointment of justices of the peace and stipendiary magistrates is within the provincial prerogative. In the case of Jagnon v. Bailey (2 Cartwright, 509) a very similar case to the present, the majority of the court held that the establishment of a court with a limited but not exclusive jurisdiction was intra vires.

"The dissentient opinions appear to be based on the ground that it was an interference with the prerogative of the crown. At the time this case was considered the case of the liquidators of the Maritime Bank, before referred to, had not been decided.

"In holding this particular act intra vires, I do not intend to lay down any strict line of demarcation between the courts over which the Dominion government have the power of appointing and paying the judges, and those other smaller and inferior courts which the provincial legislatures may establish. No line can be drawn; every case must depend on the particular circumstances and will be dealt with when the necessity to do so arises.

Mr. A. G. Smith, deputy attorney-general, for the Crown; Mr. Robert Cassidy, contra.

TWO SMALLPOX PATIENTS.

The Norwegian steamship Florida in command of Captain Hansen, arrived in Royal Roads on Sunday morning with two cases of smallpox on board, for which she is now being detained in quarantine. She came from Kutshimitsi, Northern Japan, seeking, and upon her arrival had the yellow flag flying. When Dominion Health Officer Dr. George Duncan inspected her he found her without the usual bill of health, but this departure from ordinary rules was explained by Captain Hansen, that there were no authorities to be found at Kutshimitsi. Dr. Duncan says the two patients have the disease very lightly, but they will be obliged to remain in quarantine until their complete recovery, when they will be disinfected and handed over to Captain Hansen. As for the ship, she has already undergone a thorough fumigation, but will be held under detention the full period of incubation from the date of the last exposure, which was on Sunday. The Florida came originally from Manilla. She has on board Mrs. Hansen, the wife of the captain.

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—A rumor has been received here that Sir William Van Horne, of the C.P.R., will resign at the end of the year, to be succeeded in the presidency by Vice-President Shaughnessy.

THE "BAYS" SUCCESSFUL.

The match whist tournament played Monday night between twelve members of the Conservative Club on the one hand and twelve from the J.B.A.A. on the other was won by the Bays, on a total of 22 games won and 14 lost. The detail score follows:

J. B. A. A.	Won.	Lost.
C. L. Wark	4	2
A. C. Anderson		
J. H. Austin	4	2
C. E. Bailey		
R. W. Clarke	3	3
L. B. Young		
J. M. Miller	2	4
M. Hodgson		
W. J. Scott	6	0
J. K. Macrae		
A. R. Wolfenden	3	3
C. Fletcher		
Total	22	14

CONSERVETIVE CLUB.	Won.	Lost.
F. Black	2	4
W. Hawksley		
T. A. Ker	2	4
F. Mahoney		
G. S. Williams	3	3
E. E. Wootten		
A. S. Potts	2	4
H. G. Ross		
J. A. Walkley	2	4
A. Heathorn		
T. Allson	3	3
W. D. McGregor		
Total	14	22

THE BRITISH INVESTOR.

TO THE EDITOR:—Some of the newspapers—the Globe amongst others—have been writing about Britishers having a prejudice against British Columbia mines. I think this rather rot. They have not so far beeen large investors; still they have bought some properties—for instance the Hall mines and the Invicta. The Horne-Payne syndicate represent a large amount of capital; the Quesnelle river company (I forget just now the name of the company) and several others. Then the War Eagle has been treated for but, owing to some misunderstanding, the sale so far has not been consummated. If they had said that the Britishers are very slow and deliberate it would have been about right, for unquestionably they are. As an instance, look how slow they were before they adopted the tramcar system into London; also the electric light, and now with the motor cars they are far behind the French or the Americans. Yet they get there all the same.

I think that M. de Marais, the engineer sent out by the French government, has about hit the right nail on the head when he says that both the British and the French will invest more readily when there are a few more dividend paying mines. Prejudice does not enter into the question once John Bull is convinced as to the richness of mines. He will then open his purse strings and invest, it does not matter whether it be in South Africa, Australia, British Columbia or Timbuctoo. I think that the British investor is becoming convinced that British Columbia is a good field for investment. To confirm this to a certain extent I will quote from a letter received a few days since from a relative of mine, a man who knows what he is talking about, and who is well known in the city of London and in the mining market. He writes:

"There is to be a great boom when things settle down in British Columbia mines; a great many very big people have already formed syndicates, and are waiting for the turn of the tide. Some of my friends have formed syndicates, . . is at present in this country representing one of them. If you have anything which will bear investigating with well known mining experts I might do something for you. When the boom comes on, which it certainly will, you will have a big rush of adventurers with and without money." Now that it seems British Columbia is on the eve of a big mining excitement, it is to be hoped that we shall not get a bad name by a lot of rotten wild-cat schemes being put on the market and the "tenderfoot" taken in.

A. B.

VISITING ALBERNI.

ALBERNI, Dec. 7.—(Special)—Admiral Palliser, Lieut. Crawley and Captain Garforth arrived here on H.M.S. Pheasant on Sunday, intending to pay the Alberni mines a visit in the morning. Some of these officers are largely interested in the above property.

The Quadra Mining Company are putting up buildings for the men on their property. Development work is being pushed ahead with all possible speed.

P. A. Hovelaque, of the Regina group, has taken in his winter supplies and expects to make a good showing before spring. They intend working all winter.

Mr. Huff's hall is well under way and it is expected that some gay and festive times will be enjoyed here this winter.

The weather has moderated considerably during the last few days.

A MESSAGE TO MEN.

Proving That True Honesty and True Philanthropy Still Exist.

If any man, who is weak, nervous and debilitated, or who is suffering from any of the various troubles resulting from excesses or overwork, will take heart and write to me, I will send him confidentally and free of charge the plan pursued by which I was completely restored to perfect health and manhood, after years of suffering from Nervous Debility, Loss of Vigor and Organic Weakness.

I have nothing to sell and therefore want no money, but as I know through my own experience how to sympathize with such sufferers, I am glad to be able to assist my fellow-being to a cure. I am well aware of the prevalence of quackery, for I myself was deceived and imposed upon until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but I rejoice to say that I am now perfectly well and happy once more and am desirous therefore to make this certain means of cure known to all. If you will write to me you can rely upon being cured and the proud satisfaction of having been of great service to one in need will be sufficient reward for my trouble. Absolute secrecy assured. Send 5c. silver to cover postage and address, Mr. Geo. G. Strong, North Rockwood, Mich.

Interior Department Changes.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 7.—The Tribune says: "It is reported that in the reorganization of the department of the interior, the offices of Deputy Minister of the Interior and Commissioner of Indian Affairs will be amalgamated, and Mr. James A. Smart will fill the new post. This will render Hayter Reid's services no longer necessary as Commissioner of Indian Affairs."

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Municipal Elections at Westminster—The Political Ax Again at Work.

Entertained by His Shipmates—Panthers Shot at Cowichan—Mining Notes.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 7.—Dr. McGuigan, who for years past has acted as physician to the Indian department, has received notice not to attend any more Indian cases.

H. V. Gardner, late chief steward of R.M.S. Warrimoo, who left for England by to-day's express to take up his new duties as chief steward of the R.M.S. Aorangi, the new steamer of the Canadian-Australian steamship line, was tendered a complimentary concert on Saturday night by his staff and friends. He was presented by Mr. Simons, his successor, on behalf of the staff with a complete set of the works of Thackeray, beautifully bound, as a mark of their appreciation and goodwill.

A general meeting of the local Council of Women was held this afternoon in the Art-Historical Association's rooms, Granville street. Mrs. J. C. McLagan, the delegate to the Victoria conference, gave an account of the Island meetings.

The faneral of the late Dr. Wood was held on Saturday from St. James' church. There were a large number of friends of the deceased present. Rev. H. G. F. Clinton conducted the service, after which the remains were taken to the C.P.R. depot to be forwarded to Toronto, the native home of the deceased gentleman.

The highwaymen have commenced again. Last night one man was held up by two masked men on Granville street and relieved of $9.

VANCOUVER, Dec, 8.—Work is progressing on the Albion claims on Bowen island with good results. Stock scrip will be ready in a few days, and by present indications the first issue will be rapidly disposed of. Bondholder is held very firm and a rise in the stock by the company is anticipated any day owing to the recent rich strike which has assayed some 400 ounces of silver to the ton.

The seats are being rapidly taken up for the Loie Fuller performance. Theatre goers in Vancouver appreciate the effort to give them the very best there is in the show line and are showing their appreciation by filling the opera house at every performance which has taken place for several months.

The stock market is very quiet. Channe is held firm. There are two or three claims said to be on the same ledge as the Golden Eagle which are in high favor just now.

In regard to the letter City Solicitor Hammersley has written to the council in reference to declaring the Mayor's seat vacant, owing to his having assigned to his creditors, the council will take no steps owing to the proximity of the mayoralty contest for 1897.

The petition to have Ald. Shaw unseated, which was for absenting himself from the city council for one month, was filed.

John McAllister, one of Vancouver's old-timers, was elected police officer on the first ballot at a sitting of the council last night. The other officer chosen was Keefer Fulton, probably the biggest man physically in town. Mr. Fulton formerly carried on an extensive dray business.

The council are considering the matter of opening a new cemetery, the present one being too small. It is said that if the city does not take action a company will be formed for the purpose.

Lieut.-Commander L. G. Sobral, naval attache to the Spanish legation at Washington, has left for Victoria. Lieut. Sobral has been visiting parts of British North America for the past three months.

Alexander Kidd, a pioneer of the province without means of support, is being cared for at St. Paul's hospital. Mr. Kidd is seriously ill.

Battered and bruised Chinamen are the order of the day in Vancouver just now. In the sparsely populated extreme east and the extreme west end of the city boys follow them and after spilling their refuse tins and bundles of clothes in the road retire in regular order, pelting them with stones as they stoop to pick up their burdens.

The Roman Catholics of this city have purchased a plot of ground on the Westminster road, which they intend to use as a cemetery.

WESTMINSTER

WESTMINSTER, Dec. 7.—Dr. R. Eden Walker has donated to the public library museum a valuable collection of Indian curios collected by the donor during his recent visit to Ontario.

Now that the ice and snow have thawed, the contractors are able to push on with the erection of the buildings for Mr. John Peck's new iron works, so that rapid progress is being made.

The funeral of the late Mr. Archibald Kirkland, which took place at the Odd Fellows' cemetery, Sapperton, on Saturday afternoon, was very largely attended by members of the I.O.O.F. and A.O.U.W.

The civic nominations took place today. For mayor, Shiles and Sheriff Armstrong were nominated. Two new candidates for aldermen are W. A. Johnson and W. A. Havelock.

A meeting was held at Surrey Centre on Friday afternoon to hear Messrs. N. McLean and W. McCraney, who had arranged to speak in support of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company's proposals for a railway from the Coast to the Kootenay. There was a good attendance and Reeve J. Armstrong presided. After Messrs. McLean and McCraney had spoken an interesting discusrion took place. Finally it was resolved to ask the district members of parliament to render all the assistance in their power, both to obtain the necessary legislative authority and the requisite financial assistance to enable the project to be undertaken without delay.

WESTMINSTER, Dec. 8.—An inoffensive man walking home at night on Second street was fired at from a house in the vicinity at the moment a dog rushed out and barked at him. He was taken for a burglar.

The burglar scare is apparently over, although every precaution is being taken by private citizens, should the clever cracksmen commence operations again.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Dec. 7.—Mr. Ernest McG. VanHouten, of this city, and Miss Essie Keddy, eldest daughter of Mr. William Keddy, also of this city, both young people very popular in Nanaimo, were married quietly at the residence of the bride's father on Saturday morning, and left by the City of Nanaimo an hour later for a brief honeymoon in the Capital and Vancouver.

The concert and athletic exhibition given by the athletic club in the Y. M. C. A. hall on Saturday night was an excellent entertainment. The numbers included two wrestling bouts and two boxing exhibitions. There was also a step dance, exhibition of club swinging and a number of songs and instrumental pieces, in which Professor Spear, A. Fox, L. Heyler, C. Bamford, J. Carroll, William Jones and S. Mottishaw took part.

NANAIMO, Dec. 8.—Murdock McLaughlin, third mate of the steamship Costa Rica, now at Departure Bay, fell down a hatch yesterday and died at midnight from internal injuries. The deceased was a native of Scotland and leaves a wife and family in Victoria. This was his first trip on the Costa Rica. He will probably be buried in Victoria.

DUNCAN.

DUNCAN, Dec. 7.—The first annual meeting of the shareholders in the Cowichan Creamery Association was held today at the agricultural hall. It was a most satisfactory one.

A meeting of the electors of Cowichan-Alberni district to consider "matters affecting the district" is to take place at the agricultural hall to-morrow afternoon.

Within the last fortnight four panthers have been destroyed at Cowichan lake, one by Mr. H. March and three by Mr. C. A. Baylor.

DUNCAN, Dec. 7.—The first annual meeting of the shareholders of the Cowichan Creamery Association was held in the Agricultural hall to-day. Mr. W. P. Jaynes occupied the chair and about thirty members were present. The report and balance sheet, showing a total manufacture of over 2,300 pounds of butter and a net profit of $216 for the first five months' working of the association, were read and adopted unanimously. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. P. Jaynes, president; Capt. Barkley, R.N., vice-president; and T. A. Wood, C. T. Gibbons, W. Herd, W. Ford and G. T. Corfield, directors.

SALT SPRING ISLAND.

SALT SPRING ISLAND, Dec. 3.—J. T. Collins is erecting a creamery and cheese factory about midway between Vesuvius Bay and Ganges Harbor; the main building is 30x30. The machinery and plant has been brought from England and is already on the ground. A branch creamery has been put up at Burgoyne Bay, so that milk may be brought from all parts of the island.

Messrs. Trage and Spikerman, of Beaver Point, have shipped upwards of a thousand boxes of apples this season. They exhibited some very fine specimens of fruit at the local Salt Spring Island show, and also at the Westminster exhibition.

Mr. Edwards, of Nanaimo, has opened a general store at Fulford Harbor.

The Salt Spring island club hold their meetings once in two months, dining at one another's houses in rotation; the objects of the club are to benefit the island by inducing immigration of a desirable sort, promoting any public enterprise and making the island attractive to tourists and visitors. A public meeting is to be held shortly for devising means to destroy the blue jays and crows which have become a serious pest. On the 18th instant an entertainment is to be held at the new Vesuvius hall, the proceeds to go towards the expenses of the hall.

New public schools have recently been erected at Burgoyne bay and at "The Divide."

The great want of the island at present is a more frequent and regular mail and steamboat service.

KAMLOOPS.

(From the Inland Sentinel.)

Frank Bear, the tramp who was brought into the Kamloops hospital from Revelstoke two weeks ago with both feet frozen, was operated upon yesterday by Drs. Lambert and Munro, the injured member being removed. On Wednesday an Ashcroft man, Frank Bateson, employed as a teamster on the Cariboo road, had all his toes amputated by Dr. Munro. A Miss Bailey, from Ducks, had an eye removed by Dr. Munro at the hospital on Monday. All the patients are doing well.

Ed. Fearon, M.L.A., of Maple Creek, Assa., and Geo. Ritchie, barrister, of Toronto, were in town this week, to consult with W. Thos. Newman regarding the W. Thos. Newman Gold Saving and Concentrating Co. Mr. Fearon is a partner of Mr. W. Thos. Newman, whilst Mr. Ritchie is trustee for the patent, the invention of Mr. Newman, but now the property of the above-mentioned company.

The appointment of Revelstoke's gold commissioner; Mr. Graham, to be stipendiary magistrate for that part of West Kootenay comprised in the Revelstoke, Illecillewaet, Trout Lake and Lardeau mining divisions is announced.

Rev. Father Le Jeune, editor of the Wawa, has received one gold medal, one silver palm and two bronze medals, awarded to the editor of the Wawa and some of his Indian pupils by the Shorthand Society of Monthery, France. The Indian pupils who earned awards are Miss Clorinne Falardeau, of Kamloops, and James Michel, from the Nicola rancherie near Quilchena.

In spite of the inclement weather work on the Python claim Coal Hill, is progressing satisfactorily. The crosscut at 55 feet has discovered a vein of 8 feet between well defined walls. The miners are now engaged in drifting along the vein. Those who know say the claim never looked better. Owing to W. T. Newman's illness work on the Iron Mask is at a standstill. As soon as he can get about again and the weather permits active development, work will be commenced. Enquiries concerning the mining resources of this district are coming in from all quarters, the latest received at this office is from Pittsburg, Pa.

VERNON.

(From the News.)

Arrangements are being made to procure a quantity of ore carrying copper, from the Lake View claim at Camp Hewitt, to be used as a flux in connection with the test smelter now being erected at the Morning Glory mine.

Dan. Taylor recently came up from the Boundary Creek country, and he is inclined to believe that there are as good chances in this end of the district as in any section of the southern Okanagan or Kettle river.

While Mr. Wm. Meigan, of Pleasant valley, was out hunting he somehow lost his footing and slid for a considerable distance down the mountain side, landing on a ledge of quartz, which from present indications may prove to be one of the best mines in B. C.

The test smelter of the Morning Glory Mining Co. arrived last week and is now being placed in position at the head of the shaft. Work is being steadily pushed ahead on the mine, and the rock looks better as the shaft gets deeper.

Fairview promises to be one of the liviest mining camps in this section before many months. The Smuggler and Stemwinder claims, recently disposed of to a syndicate represented by Messrs. Knowles and Simes, will give employment to a large number of men, and the Victoria capitalists who have purchased the Silver Crown and adjoining claims, will also vigorously prosecute work on their properties.

MIDWAY.

(From the Midway Advance.)

Upon the information of W. G. McMynn, chief constable at Midway, a warrant has been issued for the arrest of George P. Keene, of Camp McKinney, who is charged that he did, on the 26th of October, at Camp McKinney, murder one Matt. Roderick, the man who is held to be the party who committed the highway robbery near Camp McKinney on the 18th of August last, when Mr. G. B. McAuley was relieved of $11,000 worth of gold bullion.

A bond has been given by Mr. F. Dittmer on his half-interest in the Jewel claim to the Prospecting Syndicate of British Columbia. The Jewel is located in Long Lake camp, and was taken up by Mr. Dittmer and Mr. Bosshart nearly two years ago. The consideration named in the bond is $15,000, ten per cent of which has been paid, the remaining payments to be made as follows: $3,500 on or before the 24th May, 1897, and $10,000 on or before the 29th August, 1897. This gives the Prospecting Syndicate of British Calumbia an option on seven-eighths of the claim, as they formerly held under bond Mr. Bosshart's interest of three-eighths, the bonding price of which was $10,000. The remaining one-eighth interest in the claim is owned by Mrs. M. Garland, of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

NEW DENVER.

(From the Ledge.)

The Camille and Comal, on the north fork of Lemon creek, owned by H. R. Butner and Ira Black, have been sold to A. Dick and A. B. Mackenzie for $1,500 cash.

Negotiations have been satisfactorily closed whereby A. Dick has secured a working bond of a three-quarters in Ocean group, which consists of the Atlantic, Pacific, Arctic and Antarctic, situated at the head of Lemon and Ten-Mile creeks.

The crown grant work on the Curlew, Galena Farm, has been finished. Three men are working on the Highland. The shaft is down fifty feet and a drift, towards the lake is in fifteen feet. At the Currie the new shaft is down fifty feet, with very little trouble from water. Improvements are being made as rapidly as possible.

The Slocan Milling Co. closed down all works on Monday last until warmer weather. The mines in connection with the concentrator will continue working during the winter and store their ore until spring.

The customs department has given its decision in the application for free admission of a wire tramway for use at the mine of the Lillooet, Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Field's Company. It is held that the tramway does not come under the category of mining machinery but of transportation, and is therefore dutiable.

REVELSTOKE.

(From the Kootenay Mail.)

N. P. Snowden is reported to have severed his connection with the Horne-Payne Co., and he now represents a large English sydicate.

Cory Menhinick, who came in from Lardeau, reports the prospects for Lardeau to be looking tip-top, and says everyone is sanguine of good times next season.

Distances.

We marvel that the silence can divide
The living from the dead; yet more apart
Are they who all life long dwell side by side,
But never heart by heart.

—[Florence D. Snelling in the December Century.]

Can't Eat

This is the complaint of thousands at this season. They have no appetite; food does not relish. They need the toning up of the stomach and digestive organs, which a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla will give them. It also purifies and enriches the blood, cures that distress after eating and internal misery only a dyspeptic can know, creates an appetite, overcomes that tired feeling and builds up and sustains the whole physical system. It so promptly and efficiently relieves dyspeptic symptoms and cures nervous headaches, that it seems to have almost "a magic touch."

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

Victoria Mineral Claim.

Situate on the right bank of Mineral Creek, about one mile from China reek.

Take notice that I, Henry Saunders, acting as Secretary of Consolidated Alberni Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, Free Miner's Certificate No. 69,086, 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.

Dated this 14th day of October, 1896.

oc19-2 m-sw HENRY SAUNDERS.

Warspite Mineral Claim,

Situate on the right bank of Mineral Creek, and about one mile from China Creek.

Take notice that I, Henry Saunders, acting as Secretary of Consolidated Alberni Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, Free Miner's Certificate No. 69,086, 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.

Dated this 14th day of October, 1896.

oc19-2m-sw HENRY SAUNDERS.

Chicago Mineral Claim,

Situate on the left bank of Mineral Creek, and about one mile from China Creek.

Take notice that I, Henry Saunders, acting as Secretary of Consolidated Alberni Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, Free Miner's Certificate No. 69,086, 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.

Dated this 14th day of October, 1896.

oc19-2m sw HENRY SAUNDERS,

Alberni Mineral Claim,

Situate on the left bank of Mineral Creek, and about one mile from China Creek.

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

Dated this 14th day of October, 1896.

oc19-2m-sw HENRY SAUNDERS.

Last Dollar Mineral Claim,

Situated in the Alberni Mining District on Mineral Hill, and adjoining on the south of the Chicago Claim.

Take notice that I; E. J. Saunders, Free Miner's Certificate 69,073 intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 7th day of October, 1896.

oc12-2m-sw E. J. SAUNDERS.

Ace of Spades Mineral Claim,

Situated in the Alberni Mining District on Mineral Hill, and west of the Consolidated Group.

Take notice that I; E. J. Saunders, Free Miner's Certificate 69,073, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a Certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 7th day of October, 1896.

oc12 2m-sw E. J. SAUNDERS.

Minnie Mineral Claim,

Situated in the Alberni Mining District on Mineral Hill, and adjoining on the west of the Mountain Rose Claim.

Take notice that I; E. J. Saunders, Free Miner's Certificate 69,073, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 7th day of October, 1896.

oc12-2m-sw E. J. SAUNDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land, more or less:—Commencing at a stake marked "C.W. D.C., N.W. Corner," and situated on the south or left-hand bank proper of Skeena River, about two miles below Kitselass Canyon, and running in an easterly direction along the bank of Gold Creek 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to Skeena River; thence in a northeasterly direction along the bank of Skeena River to point of commencement.

CHAS. W. D. CLIFFORD.

Skeena River, B.C., 6th September, 1896. oc12

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land, more or less:—Commencing at a stake marked "M. C.K's. N.W. Corner," and situated on the east or left-hand bank of Skeena River, about two miles above Kitselass Canyon, and running in an easterly direction 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to Skeena River; thence in a northerly direction along the bank of Skeena River to point of commencement.

M. C. KENDALL,
Per C W.D.C.

Skeena River, B.C., 6th September, 1896. oc12

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I will apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate on Quashela Creek, Smith Inlet: Commencing at the south-west corner of Lot 7 Range 2, Coast District; thence easterly along south boundary to the southeast corner of said lot; thence south 80 chains, more or less, to shore line; thence north and west along shore line to point of commencement, and containing 160 acres, more or less.

H. BELL-IRVING.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 26, 1896. no6d1t-sw2m

F. S. BARNARD'S timber limit initial post, commencing at the s. e. corner post, about 1¾ miles from Ferguson Forks, on the west bank of the north fork of the Lardeau river, in the Trout Lake Mining division of West Kootenay district, B. C., thence running west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south following the meanderings of said Lardeau river to point of commencement.

Dated 30th October, 1896.

N. P. SNOWDEN,
no16-9t Agent for F.S Barnard.

N. P. SNOWDEN'S Timber Limits; — Commencing at a post marked N.P.S. initial post on the east bank of the north fork of the Lardeau river, about 1½ miles north of Ferguson Forks in the Trout Lake Mining division of West Kootenay district, B. C.; thence running east 40 chains; thence north 120 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 120 chains to the point of commencement. Again commencing from the same post; thence running west 40 chains; thence south 120 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 120 chains to point of commencement in all containing 960 acres.

Dated 30th Oct., 1896.

no16-5t N. P. SNOWDEN.

INITIAL Post, F. S Barnard's S. E. corner.—Notice is hereby given that 60 days from date N. P. Snowden, acting as agent for F.S. Barnard, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land. Commencing from a post situated about 1¾ miles north of Ferguson Forks, on the east bank of the North Fork of Lardeau river; thence running west 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 40 chains to point of commencement.

Dated 30th October, 1896.

no16-5t N. P. SNOWDEN.

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