

PORTING INTELLIGENCE.

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WON BY WESTMINSTER.
Increase match on Saturday, Victoria, New Westminster, was won by Victoria by a score of 10 to 2.

SATURDAY'S MATCH.
The Editor: The Capital Lacrosse team desire to take decided action to the Victoria report in Sunday's paper.

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British Columbia.

VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, July 26.—Mr. A. R. Hogue, Canadian representative of several English mining companies, left yesterday for the Harrison lake district to examine the mines in that locality.

Reports from Stevenson state that the catch of salmon in the river continues to be large. The number of fish are light, though large numbers of fish are being caught in the traps at Boundary Bay, by Schometer. The fish are good. It is not expected that the end of the will commence before the end of the month.

About 400 tons per month of coke from Union is being shipped through the city for the Hall Mines smelter at New West. The coke is brought into False creek by scow and transhipped by rail.

Mr. Balfour, the superintendent of the bridges on the Crow's Nest Pass railway, engaged about 30 workmen to work this city last evening to do up to work on the road. It can still find employment for more competent men.

Mr. Balfour leaves today for McLeod, and anyone desiring such employment can address him at that place. The Balfour party of gold dust, valued at \$11,000, has arrived at the Bank of British North America here, being the result of the partial clean-up of the mine of the same name. The Balfour party of gold dust, valued at \$11,000, has arrived at the Bank of British North America here, being the result of the partial clean-up of the mine of the same name.

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Mr. H. Brown, the keeper of the light-house at the Sand Heads, was in town yesterday, and reports that seven fishermen are missing and are feared to have been drowned. A few days ago Mr. Armons rescued two men, who had been unmet, but he reports that at the end of last week, owing to the unseaworthiness of his boat, he was unable to put out to sea. The boat was carried past the light-house clinging to its upturned bow. He intends to request the marine and fisheries department to provide him with a proper boat, and also with a rocket launching apparatus, which latter being rendered necessary, owing to the strength of the current.

The long interruption in telegraphic communication with the island still continues. Supt. Wilson is making a personal effort to discover the "leak of juice" in the cable connecting Nanaimo with the Mainland. It is feared that it may be necessary to overturn the cable to discover the trouble.

The World says: "A few days since references were made to the fact that tuberculosis had made its appearance amongst the herds in this vicinity. It was then stated that there could be no doubting this fact, as small quantities of milk put up in liquids in a jar had been found to contain the bacillus for inspection. The unmistakable and exceedingly fatal small white spots were so numerous and so distinct as to dispel all doubt upon the point. No day there were brought to this office a portion of liver and lungs from an animal slaughtered yesterday so deeply impregnated with tuberculous spots that it is a surprise that they were allowed to leave the butcher's shop. It is really high time there should be a thorough inspection of the staple article of food in order to preserve the lives of our people. Tuberculosis, as has been proved, is as deadly a disease in the human as in the animal body. Medical men everywhere are finding that a large percentage of tuberculosis being transmitted to infants and young children is largely responsible for infantile mortality. A warning having now been given it is to be hoped that the proper authorities will take the matter in hand and, if possible, take such steps as will prevent the dreaded disease becoming epidemic."

At a meeting held at Hotel Vancouver Friday evening it was decided to form a company for the purpose of trading in the Yukon country. The following gentlemen were present: Dr. C. W. Carr, ex-Ad. Shaw, Geo. I. Wilson, C. S. McNeil, J. R. Seymour and G. S. McNeill. The chief traffic post will be at Dawson City.

NEW WESTMINSTER.
New Westminster, July 26.—Mr. R. H. Campbell has received a letter from one of his men in the mines on the Horseshoe, conveying the news of the death of Dan McCallum, another of those sturdy adventures who are now so rapidly leaving to explore beyond the "great divide." McCallum was drowned in the Horseshoe river, a short distance below Moffatt creek, on the 12th inst. He was driving logs at the time when he fell into the water, and, although he was a swimmer, he made no attempt to save himself; therefore, it is generally supposed the real cause of his death was apoplexy. Old Dan McCallum will be remembered as an old-timer in this city, and was familiar to everyone in Cariboo, having been prospecting and mining there ever since the beginning of the sixties. He had been working on the Horseshoe river between twelve and fourteen years, and was the discoverer of the now famous Horseshoe mine, owned by the Horseshoe Hydraulic Mine Co.

Capt. Peche has been figuring up the "distances" closely by the different routes to the Yukon with the following result: From Cape Flattery to the mouth of the Yukon, 2,242 miles; from the mouth of the Yukon to Dawson City, 1,803 miles, making a total by water of 4,045 miles to the Clonkyde. From Cape Flattery to Juneau, 1,100 miles; from Juneau to Dawson City, 670 miles, making a total by land and water of 4,775 miles to the Clonkyde. The shortest route to Fort Selkirk, a distance of 2,025 miles from the mouth of the Yukon.

A special telegram to the B. C. Mining Journal, Ashcroft, gives an account of a young man by the name of H. H. Hogue, who shot a rabbit near the Bridge Creek hill on the Cariboo road, on Friday last, the 18th inst. The rabbit entered under the right shoulder blade and coming out under the opposite shoulder. Hogue then not a "wheel" has turned, and is now in the hospital.

near Clearbrook, and has been employed at the works of the Moseley Gravel Mining Co. of Cariboo, Ltd., on the Horseshoe river. Mr. R. H. Campbell, the manager of the mine, is here, and in reply to a telegram from Mr. Tingley at the 108 Mile House, asking after Hogue's injuries, received the following reply: "Yes, Hogue badly hurt. Shot through and through from shoulder to shoulder. Improving slowly. Think great chance if he is able to work for some time." Mr. Campbell says Hogue is an excellent workman, of exemplary habits and was returning away from work on a wheel to resume work when he was shot and robbed by some unknown person as described.

FAIRVIEW.

Fairview, July 19.—Very little is known of this little camp in the outside world, as it is seldom mentioned in the papers. Nevertheless, there is a large amount of work going on steadily all along the line, that is, from Oro Fino mountain to Congrar mountain, a distance of about 18 miles in a southerly direction, and some very good looking specimens have been brought in from various places along this range of mountains. The ore is free milling.

At Fairview itself things are becoming lively, and a large amount of building is in progress. One of the principal new buildings is the hotel just opened, by Messrs. Morris & Deschamps, who are doing all in their power to secure the smelting industry to Kootenay. As regards Rossland, the problem has only been presented to us very lately, but it is our purpose to make it cheaper to smelt your ores in Kootenay than anywhere else. The main difficulty so far as we are concerned is that we have no railway to Rossland, and it would take some time to build one, which a course was decided to be advisable. The line from here to Robson being under the control of an independent company we cannot fix that rates on ore to Robson, but our company is working hard to get a similar line, and I have no doubt as good rates will be granted as any American road will offer. So far as fuel is concerned, we are prepared to lay down both coal and coke at Robson at a price that will be competitive with the rates at Northport. I may state that Mr. Heinze has made an offer to the Le Roi Company, which I believe to be more liberal than his first, and if the matter is left open we will probably have a Kootenay site well selected.

When the provincial government creates a new mining district it should not neglect to see that the recorder has his post as well as his legal duties. Delay in the appointment at Grand Forks has caused much annoyance and probably loss. In one instance an owner called at the Recorder's office to record his claim. He had worked on June 17th on a property east of Christina lake, formerly a part of the Trail Creek division. Mr. Kirkpatrick, the recorder here, informed him that all the records had been transferred to Grand Forks, but took his affidavit as to the work. The certificate of work was then sent by registered mail to the mining recorder at Grand Forks, on June 18th. The letter was delivered to Mr. Kirkpatrick, who had previously been performing the duties of recorder there, as an accommodation to the public, who, on seeing the contents of the letter, directed it by registered mail to the recorder at Grand Forks, and the Canadian route, that is via Penitence and Revelstoke, this one reached Rossland on July 7th, while the work had to be recorded on July 8th. We understand that the recorder has since been appointed to Grand Forks, and this man, through no fault of his, has placed himself in the position that his claims may have been recorded before the matter can be rectified. Others have been similarly situated, and the result is considerable grumbling on account of the neglect.

A fee of \$100 for the mining lease of a mining company, as set at last session of the legislature, has been paid, and no doubt the money that was expended for this license would otherwise have gone into development work, but we believe it will have a good effect. It has snuffed out some companies who had been working on the trail; in other cases it has been the last straw to break the back of companies which were honest enough and struggling along in the hope of better things. The non-payment of the license fee is a serious matter, and the neglect of the recorder in this respect is a serious matter.

The obtaining of a license, judgment against the Nest Egg Company and the levying of at least one of them, during the past few weeks, has increased the troubles of the company. The Canadian Band-Drill company, which installed the machinery at the mine, has a man on the ground ready to remove the machinery at a moment's notice. The plant consists of a good boiler, hoist, compressor, air drills and connecting hose, all worth from \$4,000 to \$5,000. Frank McLaughlin, agent for the Band-Drill Company in Rossland, quit last night, and he was ready to protect his company and move the machinery whenever it became necessary to do so.

A leading topic of discussion here is the enforcing of the Sunday Observance By-Law. This measure, which was passed in December last, is very unpopular, and the fear of some is that it overreaches the object in view. Till this morning, Judge Peterson, took the law into his own hands, and on the order of the day. Last week two merchants were fined, yesterday three Vancouver stage men had to pay \$2 each because they drove into the street on the Sabbath. This morning the interest required in the canneries cases, Reeve Roman appeared for the London Canneries company, and admitted that some work was going on at that place, though it was contrary to his orders. A fine of \$1 and costs was imposed, and the magistrate remarked that he thought the Chinamen were doing better than the others. The case against the British Columbia Federation, British Columbia, Phoenix and Pacific Mining companies was next called, and Bill White represented, except the Star. Mr. McColl, for the Galt of Georgia company, said that the work of Georgia company, rendered necessary by the arrival of fish on Saturday night, which would not have kept in good condition till Monday morning. Mr. Deaville, Mr. Munro and Mr. Bain, for their respective companies, had similar explanations to offer. The magistrate said that in this matter he had a duty laid on him, which he wished to exercise in a reasonable and common sense way. He believed that the canners were all anxious to have the law observed, and his desire was to have things put on as good a footing as possible to enable them to enforce the law against those who were not under any necessity to carry on work. He hoped the canners would see that no unnecessary work was done on the Sabbath, and on that subject he would dismiss the present cases. On the same grounds he dismissed the case against the Star company.

Two Jap fishermen were fined \$1 and costs for rendering their boat on the Saturday night. The boat was used for a bath, and a Jap boatbuilder had a similar penalty imposed for carrying on his work on Sunday.

ROSSLAND.
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Grand Forks, July 19.—Owing to the falling of the Kootenay river, the Eighteen Karat placers, are compelled to put a large wheel on the ground for the purpose of raising the water for the sluicing purposes. In consequence of this, the sluicing operations have been made a large Chinese wheel, which is so arranged with buckets that it can easily supply all the water necessary for the sluicing purposes. They expect to have it completed by tomorrow, which work will be again resumed on the sluice box and kept steadily going.

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The completion of this piece of mining engineering is anxiously looked forward to by the inhabitants of this city, as it has always been supposed that this mountain contained a rich body of mineral, and the opening of it means to greatly enhance the value of property in this city. Some few months ago Messrs. Van Tassel and Luton, located some placer ground on Fourth of July creek, some four miles from this city. They have worked pretty steadily at their sluices boxes since locating their claims till a few days ago, when they struck bed rock, and there they found an abundance of gold, and some small nuggets of silver.

Mr. Van Tassel, an old miner, has located a mineral claim, which contains a perfect mountain of granite, which has been lately tested and found to contain a 22-carat gold. The placer ground is situated about six miles from Grand Forks, up on the north fork, on the west side.

The Grand Forks mining recorder's office was opened in this city last Monday. S. R. Almond, the recorder, assisted by J. G. Brown, making the official opening.

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A deal was closed on Wednesday afternoon and a contract signed whereby a new sluicing machine was to be put in operation on the Eighteen Karat group of placer claims, just inside the city limits. At the time this group was located, Mr. W. C. McDougall, of Rossland, was in the city and was the one who had the idea of sluicing the placer claims. He was as well satisfied with the results of his investigations that he at once made an offer for the purchase of the property. This offer being refused he made a proposal to put the sluicing machine in the city and on Tuesday evening last Mr. J. G. Brown, a nephew of W. C. McDougall, arrived in the city and on Wednesday signed the contract above mentioned.

Maurice O'Connor received an exceptionally good return on Tuesday from an assay of ore from the Humming Bird property on the north fork. The certificate shows a value of \$60 in gold and silver, and a return of 25 per cent. on Thursday from samples taken from different parts of the claim, which gave a return of \$53.30 in all values. Mr. O'Connor and his associates are so well pleased with the results of their work that they have decided to make a shipment of a carload of this ore to the Trail smelter, as an experiment.

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