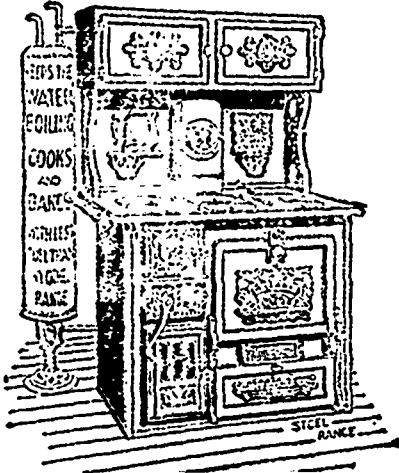


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"Of course more capital will be required for working the low-grade propositions, as they must be worked on a large scale to make them profitable; but as mining proceeds, and depth shows increased value of the ore, this capital is bound to come.

"A district that has but recently attracted attention is Cariboo Creek, situated between Nakusp and Trail. New discoveries of a very promising kind are being made there, and if development and exploration had started earlier it would even now have shipping mines. The formation is solid and unbroken, and the ledges are wide, carrying high values in both silver and gold. No difficulty occurs in tracing them for miles. And from the outcome the values are phenomenal. A considerable townsite is springing up, called Burton City, and will be the junction for miles in this district. Several mines are working. Amongst those showing up well are the "Columbia-Cariboo, Black Bess, Trio, Silver Vein and others. Work is being pushed energetically on all these properties, the ledges being from 3 feet to 20 feet in width, giving values in gold from \$20 to \$50 per ton.

"Ten miles from Arrowhead is Thompson's Landing; from there a waggon road is made to Trout Lake City. The Horne-Payne Syndicate with others are operating the celebrated Silver Cup mine, which carries considerable grey copper ore, giving up to a thousand dollars in silver. About sixteen miles from the Silver Cup the Abbott group is being worked. There are three distinct lodes in this property, varying from 3 to 15 feet, and traceable for several miles. On the surface is solid galena, varying from 6 inches to 3 feet, and averaging 80 ounces in silver and 60 per cent. in lead. It is somewhat difficult to get into the country at present on account of the lack of roads, but the richness and permanency of the veins will eventually bring the roads. The formation is sand, and the veins appear between a contact of slate and lime. This country is little prospected, but indications warrant exploration.

"As to the Lardeau country, mining men who have visited it have but one opinion, which it is needless to say, is that no richer silver-lead country has ever been discovered."—Toronto Telegram.

AN EAST KOOTENAY EXHIBIT.

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