

## ALL SORTS OF NEWS

**G. P. B. Employees at Revelstoke Quit Because of Low Pay.**

## GREENWOOD LOTS HIGH

**An Englishman Leaves Ashcroft for the Purpose of Hunting Big Game. A Mountain Lion Killed at Cranbrook—Other Notes of Interest.**

The Fernie Free Press is authority for the statement that "Jim" Trouwen has resigned his position as roadmaster on the Crow's Nest Pass line and gone north to the Yukon.

Two Indians recently sold in Ashcroft three fine silver fox skins, realizing about \$100 for them. They were shot near the 89 post on the old Cariboo road.

W. Jones, assistant to Manager Whyte of the C. P. R., has resigned his position. Mr. Jones has accepted the appointment of secretary and treasurer of the Columbia River Lumber company, of which William Mackenzie is president, with headquarters at Golden, B. C.

Several men who have been employed in and around the C. P. R. shops at Kamloops, left the company's service on the 1st, the reason given being the low rate of pay.

Mrs. F. L. Chaplin, whose husband is bookkeeper for a firm doing business at the mouth of Curlew creek, accidentally shot herself at her home recently. She was handling a Winchester, which was accidentally discharged, the bullet entering her foot. The wound while painful is not dangerous.

Nelson schools are overcrowded.

Over 200 people visit the Nelson reading room each week.

The best lots in Greenwood are now held at \$3,000 to \$5,000 each.

The way of the transgressor is hard. Last year the East Kootenay Miner called the publisher of this paper a pickpocket, and now the Miner is in the hands of the sheriff—Nelson Economist.

Justice Ruchenstein of Cascade City, should have his name placed where it will be remembered by the people of British Columbia. He has two men for using indecent language at a roadside hotel, where ladies could not help but hear what was said.

The statement is made on the most reliable authority that work on the Graves molder in the Boundary will begin on the 20th instant.

A. E. Leatham, an Englishman of means, who had been stopping at the Cariboo house for several days, left Ashcroft last week with William Manson as his guide, for the headwaters of the Bridge river, after grizzly bears. He will, undoubtedly, see and have chance to shoot some of the animals, for Manson has an assortment in that section and he takes up a party or two every season who, he believes, have never failed to find big game.

The body of D. J. Leung, a well-known resident of lower Kootenay, was found Friday, in his cabin, about midway between Penticton and Fairview. Death had evidently occurred some days previous, and from the fact that the body was found in a position of close proximity to the body, an inquest was considered necessary.

A blacksmith named Bresser, who works at McLeann's camp near Niagara, was indicted over \$200 last week. Braut, the proprietor of the Tunnel hotel, is under arrest charged with the crime, and Theo. Foust is wanted by the police as an accomplice.

F. Burns & Co. intend to erect a \$25,000 brick building in Nelson this year.

The Bank of Montreal, Canadian Bank of Commerce and Bank of New South Wales, are each enjoying a steady increase in business in this live camp.

It is said that about \$2,500 worth of fruit trees are to be sent into the Boundary district this spring. As the district is particularly adapted to the cultivation of all kinds of fruit, there is little doubt but that in years to come the landscape will be dotted with some fine orchards.

A mountain lion has been poisoning everything in sight at the building occupied by A. Shelton, taking an especial fancy to chickens. He was sighted last Wednesday afternoon by Mike McNamara, who gave the alarm. All the available weapons in Crow's Nest were brought up and a good, armed with an axe, a dog pistol, M. McNamara, an axe, started in pursuit and soon came up with the animal, who had turned at bay in a dense growth of underbrush. A few shots were fired and the lion fell on the opening, but this not proving effective, all advanced to the attack. The lion sprang at A. Good, but a well directed blow from the axe put him hors de combat. The skin will be sent to the Crow's Nest dining hall.

Cranbrook Herald.

Rev. Dr. Paget, rector of Trinity church, Muscatine, Iowa, has accepted a call to St. Peter's parish, Revelstoke, B. C., and will enter on his new duties the first Sunday in May. Dr. Paget is the author of the "Christian Ideal of the Priesthood," and has written several other sermons, and several other minor publications. The bishop's commissary, Archdeacon Pentreath, in making this appointment has recognized the growing importance of Revelstoke, and, it is said, has been heartily concurred in by the parish.

**FROM THE RECORDS.**

**Transfers.**

A. B. Clabon to Robert Barrie, 1-2 interest in the Cadogan and Sligo mineral claims on Sheep creek, \$1.

Wm. R. White by Geo. W. H. White, his attorney in fact, to the English Canadian company, limited, 1-2 interest in the Carpenter mining claim on Lake mountain, \$1.

Thomas Lapsley to the English Canadian company, \$200.

C. B. Lord to Ross Thompson, the Gem mineral claim on Bridge creek, \$1.

J. E. Mills to C. P. Newman, 1-2 interest in the Beaver and Union Jack fractional mineral claims on Sophie mountain, \$1.

James McKay to Alex. W. Smith, the Queen and Grand Union mineral claims, on Sullivan creek, \$1.

C. A. Baldwin to James Chambers, the White Bird mineral claim near the Columbia-Kootenay, \$1.

**Receipts in Lien of Work.**

To James C. Porter, on the Bald Butte mineral claim, \$200.

**General Power of Attorney.**

Wm. R. White to George W. H. White.

**Certificates of Work.**

To Thomas Lapsley and W. R. White, on the Carpenter mineral claim.

To Wm. Davis, on the Alandale mineral claim.

To F. R. Blockberger, on the Lincoln fractional mineral claim.

To Miller, on the Last Chance mineral claim.

To C. H. Doughton, on the Round Top mineral claim.

To Thomas Peacock et al, on the Hecla mineral claim.

To James Chambers, on the White Bird mineral claim.

To apply for three years from April 13th, 1898.

Only a few left. The Rossland Miner's map of Rossland camp. Price reduced to 50 cents.

## THE CEMETERY QUESTION

**A Proper Site Impossible Under Existing Conditions.**

**Letter From Mayor Goodve to Attorney-General Martin—Unsettled State of Title Giving Trouble.**

The following letter was sent yesterday to Attorney-General Martin at Victoria, by Mayor Goodve, and will explain itself: Hon. Sir: The council last year prepared and had passed a bylaw to purchase land for a cemetery. Eighty acres were selected, being part of sections 35 and 36, township 13A, belonging to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company.

We had the city engineer make the necessary surveys and prepare plans of the lands thus selected, in order that we might secure a proper deed to the same, but we found on making inquiry, that we could not register the title owing to the unsettled state of the titles to these lands.

The city is, therefore, without a proper cemetery, and all the interments so far have taken place in private ground held by the several undertakers, and to which, I understand, they have not a good title.

This is a very unsatisfactory state of affairs, and one that may lead to much trouble in the future. Our population is composed of people from all parts of the world, and it frequently happens that in case of death it is found necessary to bury the deceased before their friends can be found or communicated with. No cemetery plan, it has been found impossible to keep an accurate official record of these burials, and you can readily see that such serious complications may arise.

At the present time the city is very desirous of securing a proper site for a fire station and city offices. Owing to the high price of land on Columbia avenue, and the rapid rise of the land to the north, the best available grade being 14 per cent, it is necessary for fire purposes that the site selected for the fire station, that being the first street north of Columbia avenue, as from that point any portion of the city can be rapidly reached.

Her address formerly was 72, Empress Crescent, Parkdale, but is now 56 Hurley street, Parkdale, Toronto.

**A Missing Son.**

Mrs. Ellen Watson of Parkdale, Toronto, is very anxious for news of her son Tom. He last time she heard from him was in March of 1897, when he wrote to her saying that he was on his way to the west, and that he was going to look for employment. She has made inquiries since and heard of a young man bearing her son's name, who left Sanit Street, last spring for the Crow's Nest Pass. Mrs. Watson thinks her son may now be in this district. If this comes under his notice he should communicate with his mother at the above address.

**Transportation Notes.**

The steamer Mado, which has been laid up at Nakup for the past few months undergoing repairs and being fitted up for passenger traffic, will begin running between Arrowhead and Robson next Wednesday or Thursday.

The main line of the Canadian Pacific railway will be made at Robson, and the present connections via Sloan lake will be discontinued.

Traveling on the Robson-Penticton railway has reached a point 22 miles west of Robson and will be pushed more rapidly as soon as the snow disappears. The engineers expect to have the rails laid to Midway early in June.

**The Supreme Court.**

Mr. Justice Walker is expected to arrive here on Saturday and will open court on Monday, the 17th. As this is a special term for the purpose of hearing the celebrated Iron Mask-Centre Star suit, it is expected that court will adjourn for a day or two before the cases are taken up, as it is generally understood that the justices have agreed that the case shall not open before Thursday, the 20th. There is a strong probability that there will be a supreme court here for about six weeks, as there is a long docket of cases outside of the principal case to be heard.

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## COUNCIL RESOLVED

**A Bylaw Will be Submitted to the People.**

## NO MORE MONKEY-WORK

**Debtors Will be Placed on the Market Calling for \$150,000—Letter From Mr. Norman—Mr. Smith's Report Epitomized—Other Matters.**

One of the most important meetings of the city council of Rossland was held last night in the city offices, when the matter of the waterworks bylaw and its submission to the people, came to the fore. There was no dissentient vote as to the submission of a bylaw calling for the issue of debentures for the purpose of furnishing water and light to the city by the city itself. It seemed for a while that there would be no meeting, two aldermen being absent and one, the father of the town never attending, and the last resort invariably coming in late, but when he does come he makes up for his delinquencies by practical suggestions.

There were present when the council opened last night, Mayor Goodve (in the chair), Aldermen Lalonde, Hoosen and Clute, but it was nearly 9 o'clock before the meeting was called to order.

There was a communication was received from residents on Kootenay avenue, calling attention to the state of the streets, signed by 14 petitioners. Referred to the board of works.

Also from the Rossland Water & Light company, (Ltd.), declining to install any additional hydrants under the strained relations between the city and the company. This was referred to the fire, water and light committee.

The board of works recommended certain bills for payment, and that the sidewalk on the north side of Le Roi avenue be continued east to St. Paul street.

They also reported that they had instructed the city engineer to remove the buildings from the ground leased by the city, as it required it for the storage of fire apparatus. Also that the city solicitor had been instructed to notify the squatters on Cliff street, north of Columbia avenue, to remove their buildings off the street at once. Adopted.

The health and fire committee recommended a number of bills for payment, and that more stringent regulations be made under the provincial health act regarding stables in the city, and that dwellings within the city limits. Adopted.

The fire, water and light committee reported that they had received one set of fire harness from J. E. Clark, \$30; and H. C. Smith, \$80, \$75 and 60, and recommended that the tender of J. E. Clark be accepted on condition that the leather be made up into a pair of boots, with nickel trimmings, and subject to the approval of the chief of the fire department when completed. Adopted.

The finance committee recommended that accounts amounting to \$1,515.57 be paid. Adopted.

When the question of consideration of the report of the city engineer was called attention to the fact that the council was now the board of health, and that it was fully authorized to take such action as it might deem proper with respect to the matter of the waterworks, but that the matter must come up when the council meets as a board of health, and due notification will be made.

Under the head of inquiries, Alderman Lalonde gave notice of a petition presented to the council on the 11th inst., first introduced by Dr. Reddick. Ald. Lalonde made a statement of the reason why the matter had been laid over last year. Mayor Goodve explained the situation, and the matter was referred to the board of works, and the parties interested will be notified when to appear before the committee at an early date.

Then came the meat of the session. The revised report of City Engineer Smith was for the first time read in public. It is based on an estimate of 18,000 souls, and to bring in water from Rock creek to Rossland in a 10-inch supply main and an 18-inch outfall main into the city.

The total cost of the proposed system is estimated to be \$135,258.05, made up as follows (intermediate details being omitted): Dam, \$10,000; right of way, \$79,971; excavating, \$1,431.63; clearing, \$1,000; miscellaneous works for the same, \$4,390; excavating and refilling, including stumping and grubbing, \$2,264; reservoir, near Blue River, with a capacity of 3,913,000 United States gallons, \$20,934.80; distribution system on main streets, \$3,715.70; six-inch cast iron main one-half inch thick on Second avenue, \$1,600; four-inch cast iron of 2,200 feet, \$2,418.32; four-inch cast iron sub-mains one-half inch thick, laid on other streets, \$1,286.30; stop valves, \$2,315; special castings, \$1,500; hydrants, \$2,000; miscellaneous, including tool, workshop, yard, outbuildings and tools, \$1,500, making a total of \$128,817.19, to which must be added \$6,440.86 for surveys, engineering, superintendence and five per cent for unforeseen contingencies, making a total estimate of \$135,258.05.

The engineer also presented the statement that owing to the season of the year in which the reservoir site was examined, it could not be determined whether a cement lining is necessary for the proposed reservoir, this estimate will be increased to \$154,938.05. If the proposed reservoir is not lined, the estimate will be decreased to \$113,276.50. If a temporary timber reservoir of a capacity of 673,200 United States gallons be substituted for the proposed reservoir, the estimate will be decreased to \$118,528.50.

The bylaw to raise money for the construction of a system of waterworks was read, and the council was in committee of the whole, and if the ratifiers adopt the bylaw the whole amount that can be borrowed for that purpose will be \$150,000, repayable in full on September 1st, 1924, that is 25 years from when the money will be needed. The interest will be five per cent per annum.

The Bank of British North America is made the treasurer and agent of the council. A large sinking fund is provided for, and every safeguard made for the interest of those who desire to invest in the debentures.

A letter addressed to Alderman Clute under the name of "The Water and Light committee," was read and is as follows:

Spokane, Wash., April 5, 1899.

Hon. J. S. Clute, Rossland, B. C.

My dear Sir: I told the council in our recent informal discussion of the water question that our company was fully alive to the requirements of the situation, and that we should not care to put a larger expansion of the plant, from time to time, but for the fear that any investment we might be disposed to make would be impaired by municipal competition or by capital hostility, that we were not with the intention that we must sell out or suffer the throes of municipal competition.

We made our price then, as we have made it now; our books are open to inspection at any time to ascertain if that price is reasonable; an arbitration on the basis of our contract was offered when it is offered now, and if the governing body is so certain that the price we have asked is unreasonable it surely has nothing to fear from the results of that arbitration, and for our part we have always been willing to stand on it, believing that the price at which we have offered to sell would at least be sustained on such an arbitration. In this connection you must admit that the position we take is reasonable, and that it is not fair to the governing body—the would-be purchaser—to appear in the dual capacity of both purchaser and the arbiter of what the purchase price shall be. We realize fully that this matter ought to be brought to a head as speedily as possible, so that extensions to the plant could be completed before the summer drought; and recognizing that we will be the height of folly for the city to sell as ourselves to be engaged in a business, in which there is only a living for one, it has occurred to me that, perhaps, the community would entertain a proposition of deferring the whole question for the judgment of a jury, leaving the risk, always attending investments of this character in a mining camp to private capital, and I would therefore suggest the following tentative proposition as a basis to work on:

1. Our company will construct a storage reservoir in the mountains in the vicinity of our point of diversion on Stoney creek, having a capacity of at least a million gallons.

2. We will bring in water from Rock or Murphy into Stoney creek watershed, thus augmenting Stoney creek, as per the plan previously furnished, or install a pumping plant below our present gravity flume line and elevate the accumulation of water in the lower level of Stoney creek into our existing pipe line, should the flow of the creek at a dry time be insufficient for the needs of the citizens of the city; this installation would be less expensive than the Rock creek diversion, and might not have to be used except in an exceptionally dry season.

3. We will build another storage reservoir, in the neighborhood of the present reservoir the same size as the present reservoir; and will run the eight-inch main from the reservoir to the corner of Washington street and Second avenue; thus doubling up the discharge in case of fire.

In consideration for this investment, the city to pass a bylaw agreeing to take water from us for a period of 12 years, and to pay a rental of \$50 per annum, we to install and maintain the hydrants.

If some such plan as the foregoing were acceptable, we would commence construction of the work immediately, and would expect to expend \$25,000 upon the work; this would give us a water plant far in excess of the needs of Rossland of today.

I merely throw this out in the way of a suggestion for your personal consideration. If you think it is the proper time to submit it to the council you are at liberty to show this letter, and our company will make a definite proposition to that body.

Yours very truly,  
W. S. NORMAN.

The second reading of the bylaw to charge a license on fire insurance companies, was laid over till the next regular meeting.

Alderman Lalonde gave notice that at the next regular meeting he would introduce a bylaw empowering the city to build a waterworks system of its own. This is a necessary supplement to the Stoney bylaw to be submitted to the people.

Ald. Clute called up the matter of improvements on Kootenay avenue, about which a petition had been presented early in the evening, and was told that the board of works had already arranged for a number of changes and improvements in the city, and that the matter was only awaiting the return of one of the absent members of the board. In this connection the statement made by the mayor that the committee work was being almost entirely attended to by himself and Alderman Hoosen, should be mentioned with the exception that Alderman Lalonde can always be found at the meetings of the finance committee.

**IT IS GETTING SERIOUS**

**The Absence of the Gold Commissioner Causing Inconvenience.**

**Costs and Trouble to Mining Men Will Be Vastly Increased Unless an Appointment Is Made.**

A number of mining men who are anxious to get their applications for certificates of improvement recorded before the first of May, and to whom the matter is of very great importance, are very uneasy because of their being no gold commissioner here and no deputy appointed to take his place.

Burns, wrote to the minister of mines, and received a reply as follows:

Sir: In reply to your letter of the 3rd inst., I beg to inform you that the question of appointing some one to act as gold commissioner at Rossland in Mr. Kirkup's absence, has already received my attention.

While regretting that surveys or the miners themselves should be put to any inconvenience through Mr. Kirkup's unavoidable absence, I have come to the conclusion that in view of his early return to his duties, it is not necessary to appoint any one to act as gold commissioner in his place. I am, sir, your obedient servant,

J. T. McNICOLL, Minister of Mines.

An application was then made to James M. Martin, M. P., who had already communicated with Hon. J. Fred Hume and had received a similar reply. Mr. Martin promised to write to Victoria and endeavor to get something done, but refused to telegraph to the government on the subject. This, of course, is a very serious matter for this camp, and the men who are most affected are complaining that they are unable to get their certificates of improvement recorded before the first of May, and to whom the matter is of very great importance, are very uneasy because of their being no gold commissioner here and no deputy appointed to take his place.

Changes in the law go into effect on May 1st, and thus tend to injure this district unless a temporary appointment is made, as in the case of Mr. Kirkup's other office of mining recorder.

No one, of course, objected to Mr. Kirkup taking his needed and well earned rest, but the mining men feel that they should not be put to added expense and additional inconvenience when the government might simply make a temporary appointment on the understanding that it was only good until Mr. Kirkup's return.

**Mud-Bound Passengers.**

The Canadian Pacific train left Trail on time last night with a full load of passengers, and was expected to arrive on time in the morning. Unfortunately, when approaching Crown Point, it was found that a mud slide had taken place and the train had to wait over while the debris was being cleared away. It did not reach the city when the Miner went to press this morning.

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## THE WEEK'S REPORT.

The slackness in the market, caused by the Easter Holidays, has but partially abated and transactions in stocks have not been very numerous. The leading stock during the past week has been Wonderful, recommended by us in our last week's report, which has steadily risen from 3c to 11c, and for which there is still an active demand. We consider Athabasca, Waterloo and Winnipeg good buys at present figures. The development on Monte Cristo mountain continues with unabated vigor. Work is actively progressing in Virginia and Iron Horse, and it looks as though we were on the eve of important discoveries in these properties. Our clients are advised to keep their eyes on Monte Cristo mountain.

## WE OFFER.

TRAIL CREEK.	Monte Cristo, 1000.11	Exchequer, 2000.13
Abe Lincoln, 3500.10%	Mugwump, 2000.5	Golden Gate, 1000.3%
Can. G.F. Syn, 1000.7	Novelty, 2500.5	Knob Hill, 1000.25
Commander, 2000.10%	Novelty, 2500.5	London Hill, 200.15
Deer Park, 5000.10%	Novelty, 2500.5	Lone Pine, 2000.37%
Evening Star, 50.0.12	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Gentle, 500.10%	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Giant, 3000.10%	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Good Hope, 2500.1%	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Grand Prize, 2753.3%	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Homestead, 2000.5	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Iron Col, 6000.18	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Iron Horse, 2000.18	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Iron Mask, 1000.18	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Jumbo, 5000.40	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
Jojo, 1500.40	Novelty, 2500.5	Morrison, 1000.18
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**The Stock Market**

**QUOTATIONS.**

Business during the past week has been considerably interfered with by holidays, but while transactions have not been on so large a