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RICHES OF ROSSLAND.

The Red Mountain Claim Coming to the Front—The Iron Horse.

Champion-Bear Creek Section and Its Prospects—Attractions of Monte Cristo Hill.

(From the Rossland Miner.)

Very pretty specimens of nickel and cobalt have been found in a new opening made on the Georgia. Some of the nickel ore runs as high as 8 per cent, and the cobalt one-half of 1 per cent.

The ore on the Jumbo has been crossting in a second place, and shows the same width and grade of ore, namely, about 25 feet of \$25 to \$30 ore.

W. A. Campbell reports that he has bonded the Hilltop, which adjoins the Mayflower on the east, for \$15,000.

President Corbin spent two days in Rossland last week and while here contracted with J. Fred Ritchie to survey and plat into town lots a large part of the railroad land adjoining the present townsite.

The vein on the Tiger has been stripped and opened for a distance of 300 feet by surface cuts and shows an enormous body of good ore.

The new owners of the View have gone to work with vigor, and an opening has been made near the line between the View and the Southern Belle and a ledge exposed from 5 to 7 feet wide.

Phil Hickey has arrived to take charge of preliminary work on the Iron Horse. An immense body of low grade ore has been opened up in these workings and arrangements will soon be made to ship this ore to the smelter.

A claim which is coming to the front very rapidly is the Red Mountain. Since it was acquired by Messrs. Charles Sweeney and F. Lewis Clarke of Spokane a good deal of prospecting work has been done and the results are of the most satisfactory character. The surface assays always ran fairly well, some of them going as high as \$20 in gold with a fair percentage of copper.

Considerable attention has been drawn towards the Champion-Bear Creek section of West Kootenay. Only prospectors have visited this section so far, but representatives of capital may be expected to look it over in the coming week. It is very easy of access, as there is a fair trail from McCormick's landing to the lateview mine, and its prospects are unexcelled by anything in the district.

Last year was Red Mountain year; this year is the year of the Monte Cristo.

Work is already being pushed on the Virginia, City of Spokane, Monte Cristo, Evening Star and Georgia, but it remained for Messrs. A. E. Humphreys and J. D. Farrell, who are connected with the War Eagle company to plan a scheme of development work which will put at least two miners in this section in the front rank of producers.

The sale of the California was completed last week in Spokane.

The Butte, which lies about 1,000 feet east of the Commander, and is generally considered to be on the same vein, has been sold to a strong syndicate for \$5,000. A company to be known as the Butte Gold-Copper Mining Company will be incorporated to operate it. The

shaft, 30 feet in depth, discloses a strong vein showing considerable gold-bearing iron and copper pyrites, closely resembling the ore of the Commander.

Rosland entertained a distinguished party on Sunday, including Hon. J. H. Turner, premier of the province, Senator McInnes of Ontario, Mr. Dorsey, a London mining expert, General Western Superintendent Abbott and Division Superintendent R. Marpole, of the C.P.R. The party visited the Centre Star and War Eagle mines in the forenoon, and during the afternoon and evening Mr. Turner's time was well occupied with public business, which included a two-hours' session with the ratepayers' association.

Glaude A. Cregan, secretary, writes: "There will be a grand programme of sports at Rossland from the 1st to 4th July, with the following events: 100 yard run, 440 yard run, prospectors' race, obstacle race, sack race, egg and spoon race, potato race, running broad jump, high jump, putting shot, 100 yard race (boys under 15), tug-of-war between teams from the mines. The prizes are all valuable. Thursday, July 2, at 2.30 p.m., there will be a baseball match, probably between Trail and Spokane or Spokane and Rossland. On Friday, July 3, at half-past two, a baseball match, probably Northport vs. the winners of the previous day's game will take place. Saturday, July 4, at 2.30 p.m., a drilling contest will come off for the championship of British Columbia and a purse of \$400, being \$300 to the first and \$100 to the second, 15 minutes, 15 drills. The Rossland band will furnish the music."

MAIL STEAMER WRECKED.

St. Johns, Nfld., June 25.—Special.

All of the passengers of the steamer Capulet, wrecked in St. Mary's bay on Saturday, have reached here. They saved nothing but the clothing they wore. Only nine bags of mail matter were saved of the sixty-three on board. All the mail containing letters and registered parcels were lost. This mail constitutes a fortnight's accumulation, the whole of the American and Canadian mail for the entire island of Newfoundland. The loss is practically a calamity, as it will seriously hamper business, and large sums of money, including remittances from Newfoundland emigrants to relatives at home were included in the mail. The passengers are in a wretched plight, especially the women, several of whom were bound on European tours which they will be forced to abandon owing to the loss of their wardrobes. The passengers and crew regard the loss of the ship at midnight on calm sea as unexcusable and seafaring men of the vicinity concur in this opinion. Public feeling is very strong over the loss of the mails, which, according to most of the passengers heard, the steamer could easily have saved.

All the fishermen along the coast are occupied at the wreck. A good deal of the cargo is saved. Reports of looting by resident fishermen are largely exaggerated. One bag of mail was lifted. The English passengers proceeded to Liverpool by the Carthaginian last night. It is expected that unpleasant facts will be shown when the board of trade begin an inquiry into the circumstances of the wreck.

SPAIN'S FAILURE IN CUBA.

Madrid, June 25.—The opposition has decided to request the government to introduce a bill providing sufficient resources to prosecute the campaign in Cuba.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, June 25.—The failure of Spain to conquer the Cuban patriots, being proved by the continuous defeats of the Spanish troops in the field of battle, the lack of money in her treasury and the poor credit she enjoys, is also plainly seen by the supreme effort made in sending money, men and war material to Cuba since the beginning of the struggle, with such poor success. In March, 1895, Spain sent to Cuba \$500,000; in April, \$400,000; in May, \$1,521,000; in June, \$1,800,000; in July, \$700,000; in August, \$1,400,000; in September, \$1,400,000; in October, \$700,000; in November, \$1,700,000; in December, \$4,000,000; in January, 1896, \$2,000,000; in February, \$3,000,000; a total of \$19,200,000. From March, 1895, to April 30, 1896, Spain has sent to Cuba 40 generals, 562 chiefs, 4,768 captains and lieutenants, 3,496 sub-lieutenants, 112,960 corporals and soldiers, 143 cannon, 150,117 rifles, 25,000 bayonets, 25,124 cases of ammunitions, 61,578,368 cartridges, and 72,326 kilograms of gunpowder. These figures are taken from El Liberal, one of the first newspapers of Madrid.

THE TERMINAL CITY.

VANCOUVER, June 25.—The Dominion Day celebration committee are hard at work, determined to make Vancouver's gala day a success. As many companies of the "Fifth" as possible will be asked to parade. Next in importance to the championship lacrosse match will be the bicycle meet. Many crack riders from Washington, Oregon and Seattle will compete.

The W.C.T.U. have to report that although they occasionally send a rescuee subject to the Victoria Rescue Home they can raise no money to send to that institution.

The Young women's Mutual Improvement Home is a recently organized benevolent institution in Vancouver. It is practically a home for young women working in the city who have no home to go to.

All the returns are not yet in in Burrard District. Mr. Maxwell will, however, have at least 400 majority.

Rev. J. S. Gordon, the new pastor of the Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian church, was ordained and inducted into the church last night.

Arthur Sheppard has been elected president of the Westminster Y.M.C.A., and J. Murphy, secretary.

A PYRRHIC VICTORY!

The Racial Campaign by Which Laurier Triumphed Will Work His Speedy Ruin.

Erastus Wiman Sends Effusive Greeting to His Ally for Commercial Union.

United States Rejoicings at Prospect of an Industrial Advance Upon Canada.

Toronto, June 25.—The Mail's leading editorial, headed "A triumph that cannot last," says that when the Mackenzie government was defeated in 1878, the victorious party had good majorities from all the provinces, and was not concerned in a racial or religious issue. To-day, the circumstances are altogether different. The Liberals, taking the result all round, get the balance of power from their Quebec majority. It is a Quebec alone they can live. What is more, they have brought about this condition by a race cry precisely similar to that which Mercier raised. The Mail repeats that Mr. Laurier's candidates in many places succeeded by promising a more drastic remedial bill than the one offered, and closes thus: "The situation as regards this issue is thus peculiar. Laurier is pledged to his majority to give a law, either through Manitoba or Ottawa, more exacting or Mr. Geoffrion has put it, more effective than the late remedial bill which Mr. Greenway says is so severe he cannot accept it. It follows he will not settle via Manitoba. As a matter of fact Mr. Greenway cannot afford to solve the difficulty on Mr. Laurier's terms. Mr. Laurier will insist on a remedial bill at Ottawa, to retain the Quebec man, in which event he will lose the other support, or to drop the subject, in which case his Quebec strength will drop him. Thus the racial campaign is bound to result in his own punishment. It seems altogether probable that the conditions under which Mr. Laurier gained power will work his ruin."

WASHINGTON, June 25.—The latest complication in the Venezuelan question has been promptly settled. Mr. Andrade, the Venezuelan minister, called at the state department to-day, and handed to Mr. Olney a copy of a cable-gram which had just received from Senor Lopez, the Venezuelan Minister of Foreign Affairs, stating that Mr. Harrison, the Crown Surveyor of British Guiana, who, with his party, had been placed under arrest by Venezuelan officials, had been promptly released.

The telegram was as follows: "It was yesterday when the National Commissioner of Guyana telegraphed that Harrison and nineteen others had crossed on the left bank of the Cuyuni to open a road. The Sub-Commissioner of Guyana, in a written report, Harrison insisted and the Sub-Commissioner took him to the post of Eldorado. As soon as the government was informed thereof, it ordered the release of Harrison and asked details." It is believed that the main issue between Great Britain and Venezuela will be even more easy of settlement now that the latter government has been so prompt to disavow the act of the Sub-Commissioner.

Minister Andrade says that the Cuyuni river has been the provisional boundary and has never before been crossed by the British.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.

The Correspondence Will be Published Simultaneously in Both England and the United States.

LONDON, June 25.—The St. James Gazette this afternoon says Great Britain and the United States have agreed to publish simultaneously, within a fortnight, all the arbitration correspondence exchanged between the governments of the two countries. Publication has been delayed, pending the arrival of Secretary Olney's latest communication, which was handed to Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British minister in Washington City, early in the week. It is Olney's incisive style, and forms one of the most important documents of the series. The St. James Gazette further states that no definite conclusion has been reached yet, though considerable progress has been made toward a general treaty of arbitration between the two countries.

DESTRUCTIVE CLOUD BURST.

MARLBOROUGH, Ohio, June 25.—A cloud burst took place on Wednesday night which covered a wide area and was the most destructive ever known in this territory. Houses were swept away, stock of all kinds was drowned, and many persons narrowly escaped with their lives. In some streams the water rose 25 feet in ten minutes and came on the people almost as suddenly as the Johnstown flood, and was very much like that flood in many respects. The crops are ruined on the Little Muskingum for twenty miles, and on many of the small tributaries of the Ohio above here. The loss will reach hundreds of thousands of dollars. The details are meagre, but it is feared the worst has not been told.

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that rich placer digging had been discovered in a creek at the south end of the island.

The prospectors are out in all directions, and I regret to say that claim-jumping is in progress. There are no less than forty posts on one claim. Whether the jumping has been done through ignorance of the Mineral Act is hard to determine.

MONEY GLUT IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, June 25.—England is just now suffering from the greatest glut of money ever known in her financial history. The banks are full-choked with idle money for which it is impossible to find any investment that would even pay the cost of the broker's commission. So phenomenally cheap is money in London to-day that it is possible to borrow practically an unlimited amount at the rate of 25 cents a day for every \$5,000. There is now on deposit in the Bank of England almost more than \$250,000,000 more money than was lying there nine months ago, and the amount on deposit has been steadily mounting up during the interval, and is still increasing. The rate of interest on Thursday, £14,000,000 of public deposits, that is government money. The usual amount on deposit is from £5,000,000 to £8,000,000. This money is largely made up of funds set aside for the redemption of consols, and of funds deposited in the Post Office Savings Bank, for which investment is desired. But there is now no desirable investment to be found, and consols have gone so high that the government will not buy them. Private and joint stock banks have \$50,500,000 on deposit in the Bank of England, which is twelve millions more than was so deposited last October, and £17,000,000 more than at this time two years ago.

The Bank of England's own reserve fund ten days ago was £11,500,000 more than it amounted to nine months ago, and the stock of gold and bullion on hand was more than £2,000,000 in excess of the amount on hand last October.

This condition of affairs in the Bank of England is a fair sample of the situation throughout the country. Everywhere there is a great glut of idle money, and as satisfactory use can be found. There are thrown on the market here every year about £120,000,000 seeking investment. This vast sum of money represents the annual surplus of the country, accumulated in the country, saved from its income.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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Earl Grey Says No More Troops Are Needed in Mashonaland— "Press Gangs."

The Great Powers and Cuba—Canadian Firemen in England—International Sporting.

LONDON, June 25.—A dispatch from Cape Town announces that Earl Grey, resident administrator for the British South Africa Co., has telegraphed from Bulawayo declining assistance against the outbreak in Mashonaland. He says that he considers that the 700 whites in Mashonaland with the 800 reinforcements now on the way will suffice for all emergencies.

The Russian cabinet has addressed a strong note to Berlin protesting against the action of "the English and Hollandish-Colonial armies" in luring Russian youths across the frontier with promises of money, in order to sell them to foreign recruiting masters. The price paid is usually twenty marks, and numerous cases are on record where Russian parents conducted the arrangements in selling their sons to the highest bidder.

It is rumored in Rome that the Great Powers have agreed to a joint action in favor of the preservation of the external status quo in Cuba, and of intervention should the election of McKinley change, in this respect, the foreign policy of the United States. In case of necessity they would probably commence by addressing a collective note to the government at Washington.

The Times says that the display by the Canadians at the fire tournament in London were well received, their address with the extension ladder escape being especially noticeable.

The Arctic steamer Windward, which left Gravesend, England, on June 9, for Franz Josef Land, to bring home the Jackson-Hereward expedition, arrived at Ardeco, Norway, to-day. She will leave for the North on Sunday, June 28. The Pope held a public consistory at Rome to-day, at which the four prelates who were elevated to the cardinalate on June 22 received their hats. They were Cardinals and Monsignor Farfani, Cremona, Jacobini and Agnelli, respectively. Papal nuncios at Paris, Madrid, Lisbon and Vienna.

The Sportsman says this morning: The Yale men's show on Wednesday fairly surprised critics here, and it was abundantly evident they will take a lot more beating than was at first expected. When they row at thirty-five to the minute their stroke is powerful and their recovery is somewhat smarter than it was, although there is still room for improvement in this respect. They get a fine pace and if they can only keep it steady at this high rate for the long distance they will probably be found very close to the winners at the finish.

Among the passengers on the American line steamer Belgenland, which reached the port yesterday, were the Haverford College cricket team. These were accompanied by American cricketers, who have come to try conclusions with the crack teams of the great public schools in England. They will practise on the Owens College grounds, Manchester, and hope to be able to get into good form for their first match against Cheltenham college on Monday. The list of fixtures arranged includes matches with Eton, Harrow, Charterhouse, Winchester, Rugby, Marlborough, Hallbury, Malvern, Gliffen and Repton, all of which schools are noted for the splendid cricketers they turn out year after year. A team of the great "M. C. C." will be met on the world renowned ground, "Lord's," and the concluding matches of the tour will be with teams from Oxford and Cambridge.

ALMOST KNOCKED OUT.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—James J. Corbett, once champion pugilist of the world, was all but knocked out last night in a four-round contest with Tom Sharkey, champion of the U.S. navy, and formerly attached to the British N. P. squadron. The referee declared the contest a draw, but it is doubtful if the decision will be supported by public opinion. Corbett clinched Sharkey throughout the entire fourth round, to avoid punishment. The champion was breathing heavily, and apparently greatly exhausted when the round closed, while Sharkey seemed as frolicsome as the beginning. The fight was a rough and tumble contest from the start, Sharkey rushing and striking wildly, and using little or no science.

TORONTO, June 25.—Rev. Canon Dumbell was yesterday at St. James cathedral consecrated Bishop of Niagara in the presence of an immense concourse of people.

Sir Charles Tupper's Government Preparing to Retire From Office Early Next Week.

Forecast of the Laurier Cabinet—Senator McInnes' Prize a Blank.

Ottawa Grits Who Smell the Soup Pots Demand Civil Service Dismissals.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, June 25.—At to-day's meeting of the cabinet the conclusion was reached that as soon as certain pressing routine business is disposed of the ministry will tender their resignation to His Excellency. This business will only take a few days, so that early in next week Mr. Laurier may be called upon to form his cabinet. Constitutional practice, it is said, would have justified the present government in meeting parliament, though of late years in England this course has not been followed. In 1878 also in Canada, it will be remembered, Hon. Alex. Mackenzie submitted to the inevitable within one month of the polling, and the new ministry was thus able to be organized before parliament met. The ministers present in town to-day were Sir Charles Tupper, Messrs. Foster, Dickey, Angers, Tallon, Desjardins, Haggart, Wood and Montague. The absentees were Messrs. Smith, Costigan, Macdonald, Prior, Tisdale, Ferguson and Ross, but most of these will be here by Saturday.

When Sir Charles was asked to-night whether any appointments would be made before the government resigned, he said he could not say, but his manner and a remark which he made to your correspondent implied that such might be looked for. These, however, are not likely to be of a very important character. Sir Charles pointed out that English precedent allow a retiring government to make appointments. The local Grit politicians are demanding a clean sweep in the public service, and they expect that many heads will fall into the basket when Mr. Laurier takes control.

The latest cabinet slate, emanating from a Grit source, assigns the several portfolios as follows:

Premier and president of the privy council—Hon. W. Laurier.

Minister of Justice—Sir Oliver Mowat.

Finance—Sir Richard Cartwright.

Trade and Commerce—W. Paterson.

Public Works—Sir H. G. Joly.

Agriculture—S. A. Fisher.

Railways and Canals—Hon. L. H. Davies.

Interior—Hon. Clifford Sifton (now Attorney General of Manitoba).

Postmaster General—Hon. R. W. Scott.

Secretary of State—J. I. Tarte.

Marine and Fisheries—D. C. Fraser.

Militia—Dr. Borden or Mr. Flint.

Controller of Inland Revenue—J. V. Ellis.

Controller of Customs—Wm. Mulock.

Solicitor General—C. A. Geoffrion.

Without Portfolio—Hon. D. Mills, with seat in the Senate, and Senator McInnes, of British Columbia.

The speaker of the House of Commons will be a French Canadian, and the speaker of the Senate an English speaking man, probably Senator Power, if a portfolio is given to Senator Scott, now leader of the opposition in that body.

Sir Charles Tupper spoke in toning terms to-day of the death of his old friend and colleague, Sir Leonard Tilley. Flags are flying at half-mast from the public buildings in memory of the ex-minister of finance.

A GOOD OR A CHEAP BRIDGE.

TO THE EDITOR.—Whether correctly or not I don't know, but it seems to be the general impression that at the last sitting of the legislature the municipal act was so amended as to take the power of placing money by-laws before the ratepayers from the city council until such time as they received a petition from a certain percentage of said ratepayers, which seems a wise provision; but if the leading property owners are not going to make a wise use of this power at the present moment it may justly be asked whether our city is better off than it was before.

At the present moment Point Ellice and Rook Bay bridges are virtually condemned, or should be, and the city council having insignificant means at their disposal are about to start on the same old tack of building a cheap bridge at Point Ellice costing about \$6,000 and over \$1,000 a year afterwards to keep it from falling.

Let, therefore, the necessary petition be started without delay, asking for a loan by-law to be put forward for a sufficient sum to build two first class, permanent bridges, on the distinct understanding that two specified honorary commissioners have sole control of the funds and the work, with the assistance of a certain specified civil engineer, and that they further have power to make all terms with the government, and the railway company to the proportion to be borne by each. RATEPAYERS.

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The Westside.