Back in Harness

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Takes Up His Duties Again at Ottawa.

Finance Minister Getting His Colleagues to Hurry Up With Estimates.

Ottawa Light Companies at War and Public Reap the Ben

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—There is a rate war between the Consumers and the Ottawa electric companies, and the ratepayers are benefiting. A month ago the Consumers company made a substantial cut on rates in order to secure business, and the Ottawa company had to meet the reduction. Now the Consumers announce a net rate of three cents per thousand Wat hours, and the Ottawa company has intimated that it will come down to the same figure.

The period of service of Canadians enlisted in the South African Constabulary expires next year. The question has arisen as to whether the period of service dates from enlistment or arrival in South Africa, and the Department of Justice is asked to give an opinion.

Rev. Dr. Armstrong of St. Paul church will be nominated for moderator at the Presbyterian General Assembly, which meets in Vancouver next June.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier was bright and early at his office today, and in the course of the morning received many visitors. At noon the Prime Minister called upon His Excellency at Rideau Hall.

The commission to inquire into the salmon fisheries of British Columbia will shortly resume its sittings in order to have a report ready for parliament.

Mr. Fielding was active around the departments this afternoon. It ils undepartments this afternoon. It is uning his colleagues with the importance of hastening up the preparation of the estimates.

BANK ROBBED.

Burglars Escape With Four Thousand Dollars.

Louisville, Neb., Jan. 8.—The Bank of Louisville was robbed of $4,200 today. The burglars escaped.

SOLD HIS WIFE.

A Strange Case of Ignorance and Depravity in Ontario.

Cobourg, Ont., Jan. 8.—(Special)—Judge Benson sentenced Geo. Albert Reynolds of Percy township to three months in jail for inciting to commit bigamy. Reynolds is the man who traded his wife off to his brother Walter for a $15 watch. The pair were married and pleaded guilty of bigamy. They got four months each today. The parties agreed in court to resume their legal relationship after serving their terms. The original couple have two young children and George was left in charge of them while the second marriage took place.

ROSS PLANS FRESH MOVE

Report That Ontario Province Will Have Another General Election.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—The World was informed yesterday that a decision was reached on Tuesday by the leaders of the Liberal party in Ontario to make an immediate appeal to the province. This decision, so the World was informed, was to be irrespective of the way the three constituencies went yesterday. If this is done, the government is to be reconstructed and some kind of a new policy to catch the temperance vote is to be introduced, and Rev. Mr. MacDonald, who is credited with having invented the referendum, is to be the special champion of it in the Globe newspaper.

The World tried to obtain a verification of this report, but did not succeed. One man, whose opinion ought to be worth something, said : "I am looking for some kind of surprise."

HARD COAL SCARCE.

Toronto Dealers Are About Out of It.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Receipts of hard coal have almost stopped. Dealers say the people who are not supplied will have to use soft coal for the rest of the winter.

HON. CLIFFORD SIFTON.

Minister of the Interior at Kansas City.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 8.—Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior of the Dominion of Canada and his party arrived here today and were entertained at dinner at the Kansas City club. Mr. Sifton is investigating the work of Canadian agents working in this part of the country with a view of increasing immigration to the Northwest.

THREE KILLED.

Another Fatal Railway Wreck Reported.

Keaton, Ohio, Jan. 8.—The "Cannon Ball" express, one of the fastest passenger trains on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago railway, crashed into the rear end of a local passenger train at Ada, Ohio, tonight. Three passengers were killed and several injured. Both trains were bound West. The cars were badly wrecked. The dead are a man by the name of Stein, of Fort Wayne, Ind., and two men as yet unidentified.

CONFIDENCE RESTORED.

Situation in Morocco Reported Quiet.

Tangier, Jan. 8.—A courier who arrived here today from Fez is the bearer of a letter dated January from a commercial firm saying that confidence has been restored and requesting the despatch of goods which were being detained here. The letter says also it is not true that Mulai Mohammed has been appointed commander in chief of the Imperial forces. The Sultan is sanguine, but it is not likely that he will assume the offensive.

NEWFOUNDLAND TREATY.

New York Chamber of Commerce Supports It.

New York, Jan. 8.—The Chamber of Commerce today passed a resolution urging the Senate to ratify the convention which has been negotiated with Great Britain for the improvement of commercial relations between the United States and Newfoundland.

Atlin Is Progressing

Great Activity Reported on Otter Creek and Gold Run.

Machinery Installed on Several Properties—Miners Have High Hopes.

It is pleasant to report progress on Otter creek at the present time, says the Atlin Claim, of Dec. 20, as it is an indication of the general development of the whole district, for the spirit of life has been infused into that section and all is healthy bustle where last winter, with the exception of Messrs. Carmichael and Moran, the ptarmigan held sway.

Twelve men are drifting, or preparing to drift, on upper Otter creek. Four log cabins and three frame houses are going up.

Messrs. Neil McDonald and Bert Taylor have struck pay gravel in their drif off the Raven bench lease and are heaping up their dump in good style.

Messrs. Thomas, Forest and Erickson have completed a cabin and intend getting underground in short order.

Hungerford and Foster are building a commodious frame house for the company and Mrs. Foster will have a comfortable home for the winter.

Messrs. Carlson and associates will be drifting in a few days, as will also Mansell and Grant.

William Dixon, of Dixon Bros., found the new road recently completed from Wright creek to Otter, so easy that he made two trips a day, with a double freight sled, in bringing over lumber and supplies from Wright creek.

A contract has been made on behalf of the Otter Creek Hydraulic Co., with Messrs. Dixon Bros. & Shulz for the removal of the Pendugwig hydraulic plant from Wright to Otter creek, and teams left here yesterday. The contractors undertake to have everything on the company's ground by the end of next month, thus assuring the complete installation of the plant long before the first of July, next year, when the company undertakes to its shareholders to have the plant at work on the ground.

ON GOLD RUN.

The winter developments on Gold Run have not progressed as rapidly as we had reason to anticipate, but doubtless the operators themselves have their own reasons for the seeming delay in getting underground. The following report of affairs will be of interest to our readers:

Chas. Kent sank a shaft on his ground and installed pumping machinery. Later he struck a high rim and abandoned this shaft with the intention of sinking another towards the centre of the channel. He is at present working for Mr. Ruffner.

Stukey & Co. have set up their plant and have got it well housed. They have getting down to business. Everything geting down to business. Everything augers well for a large and profitable dump.

Martin, Clark & Co., with their "layman," T. J. Daniels, are constructing their engine and boiler houses and completing the installation of their hoisting and pumping plant. The new community shaft has been sunk 32 feet to bedrock and have struck the rim, upon which very fair pay has been found. Drifts will be driven by the respective parties down and up on the channel.

On the Howard & Bruner property, purchased by Harris & Co., good pay continues to be taken out and a rich dump is being steadily heaped up.

Dewey & Comeron, on a lay from Clark, Martin & Co., have erected their engine and boiler houses and have also constructed a 28-foot tower over the head of their shaft. Sinking has commenced and they expect to strike the channel very shortly and the same fine pay as have Harris & Co. The machinery is all ready to steam up as soon as its use is required.

Ruffner & Co. have their shaft down to bed-rock and are drifting on pay.

A. B. Thomas has been laying in timbers and lagging and intends pushing ahead with his drifts.

Small & Co. have been busy getting out firewood, timbers and lagging, pending the arrival of their pump. Charlie Thompson arrived from Skagway this week with it and the shaft will be pumped out at once. A big gang of men will soon be at work pushing the development of this valuable ground.

FERGUSON MINES.

Ore Teams All Busy Hauling Ore to Trout Lake.

The mines and prospects of Ferguson camp are employing more men this winter than ever before, more properties are being worked and the big mines have a larger number of men on their pay roll than in any previous winter, says the Lardeau Eagle. Pretty nearly all the men who were working in the hills during last summer are still in the camp and have employment in the larger mines consequent on the mines increasing their working staff. The putting in of machinery also made it necessary to employ more men. So the camp is really in a better position in the commencement of 1903 than ever before. At the Nettie L. everything is lovely, the machines are working well, the road is in good condition for hauling out the daily output of ore and the mine never looked better.

The Silver Cup keeps up her daily output of ore but litle is being shipped till the tramway is completed. That will take another ten days, but when Mr. McLeod, the manager of construction, turns the tram over everything will work well. The unusually deep snow has hindered the work a great deal.

The Sunshine tunnel is progressing steadily and another fine deposit of ore six feet wide was encountered ten days since, but it did not prove continuous.

The Triune has been temporarily closed down awaiting the arrival of a further supply of ore buckets for use on the tram.

The Rob Roy was closed down this week until spring, as the supplies were getting short. The men got to town in time to spend New Years. They say the property looks good and development will be continued next spring.

FOR THE AUTO.

Emperor William Plans a Speedway.

Berlin, Jan. 8.—One of Emperor William's plans for transforming the Gumewald forest into a great public park for Berlin is an automobile speedway, seven and a half miles long and twenty-five yards wide.

STARVED TO DEATH.

Woman Dies Because She Refused to Eat.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Frances Amelia Bain died in the general hospital here this morning from starvation, having refused to take food for 16 days. She was about to be removed to an asylum.

COAL FAMINE.

Dealers Will Sell Only on Physician's Prescription.

Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 8.—A physician's certificate is now required by local coal dealers before they will sell even a ton of coal. It must show illness in the home of the would-be purchaser and that coal is necessary as a safeguard for the patient.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

Tells Boers a Little Gratitude Would Be Becoming.

Pretoria, Transvaal, Jan. 8.—An influential meeting of burghers yesterday drafted an address for presentation to Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and the legislative council, embodying the views of the leaders. Among the recommendations are general amnesty, the maintenance of the Transvaal's pre-war regulations regarding natives, the importation of cattle by the government and their sale to the burghers at actual cost, and the abolition of the South African Constabulary.

Generals Botha, Dewet and Delarey strongly urge the necessity for a moderate attitude and organization to assist the present government.

Gen. Botha reported that $525,000 had been collected in the United States and Europe for the relief of destitute Boers.

Mr. Chamberlain, replying to the address of the burghers, said the terms already granted were decidedly generous and that there was no prospect of a general amnesty. The cases of the burghers now in Europe would be considered individually on their merits, said Mr. Chamberlain, and these burghers should prove their loyalty by accounting for the gold taken to Europe. The Secretary said also that the annexation of the Vryheid and Utrecht districts to Natal was irrevocable and that the natives would be compelled to observe their obligations. He declared he would have been better pleased had the address of the burghers, instead of consisting merely of demands, contained some recognition of what His Majesty's government had already done for the Boers.

Ending the Festivities

Another Splendid Spectacle at the Coronation Durbar in Delhi.

Lord Kitchener Leads British and Native Soldiers at Great Review.

Delhi, India, Jan. 8.—The review today by the viceroy, Lord Curzon, of 30,000 British and native troops led by Lord Kitchener, was the last important event of the coronation durbar. The Viceroy, the Duke of Connaught and the Grand Duke of Hesse, surrounded by a brilliant staff, took up their positions at the saluting point between the grandstands. From every side an immense multitude of Europeans and natives watched the parade and cheered its favorite regiments. Lady Curzon and the Duchess of Connaught witnessed the review from carriages.

The scene today was not less brilliant in colors than the preceding events, and it equaled them in picturesqueness. There was a particularly effective manoeuvre after the passage of the horse artillery, the cavalry, field batteries and the infantry in the order named. The cavalry in line of regiments, followed by the artillery, galloped past again and formed half a mile in front of the grand stand, and from this position it charged down in a long and magnificent line to within a short distance of the saluting point.

Of all the soldiers reviewed today, none made a better impression than the native volunteers, which were led by native princes magnificently uniformed and horsed. The Imperial Service corps, composed of natives, which saw service in China, excited great admiration, and was given a tremendous reception.

SHIPPER FINED.

A. K. Hodgins of Parkhill Broke Fruit Act.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—A. K. Hodgins, of Parkhill, Ontario, an apple shipper, has been fined 25 cents per barrel for an infringement of the Dominion Fruit Act. Reports from Montreal, Nelson, B. C., Winnipeg and Glasgow showed apples shipped by him were marked higher grade than the quality warranted.

ROYAL DIVORCE.

Attempt to Get Princess to Return to Austria.

Dresden, Saxon, Jan. 8.—Archduke Joseph Ferdinand, younger brother of the Crown Princess of Saxony, is going to pay a second visit to his sister at Geneva. This is interpreted to mean that Emperor Francis Joseph is renewing his attempt to induce the Crown Princess to permanently break off her relations with Prof. Gilon, who has left her and gone to Lausanne, where he will stay during the divorce proceedings, on the advice of the Princess and lawyer, and take up a residence in Austria.

LARGE RAILWAY DEAL.

Confirmation of Control of Philadelphia & Reading.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 8.—President Loree, of the Baltimore & Ohio railway, today officially confirmed the report of the purchase for his company of stock in the Philadelphia & Reading railway, and the later sale of a portion through the Pennsylvania company to the Vanderbilt interests. He said control of the Reading was acquired by the Pennsylvania road on behalf of the B. & O. road through Kuhn, Loeb & Co. Of a total of 2,800,000 shares, this firm secured between 1,200,000 and 1,400,000 shares in the interest of the Pennsylvania. This was largely preferred stock. Then the Vanderbilts and the B. & O. were invited to take these purchases between them. This was to bring the Reading into the community of ownership scheme originated by the Pennsylvania and New York Central, without conflicting with the laws of Pennsylvania, which prohibits the Pennsylvania from owning control of a competing line. The Vanderbilts nominated the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railway to take up their share of the purchase, and the transaction involved about $25,000,000. The Pennsylvania selected the B. & O., and this company financed the requirements by part of the money derived from the recent sale of $42,000,000 of stock. The deal doubles the mileage operated under the B. & O. influence. The management of the Reading will continue as at present.

MINING NOTES.

Rossland mines paid $1,120,960 in wages during 1902.

The North Star has paid to date in dividends $312,000, of which $58,500 was paid last year. The issued capital of the company is $1,300,000.

C. H. Mackintosh says that if the strike in the Le Roi had been averted when copper was at its high point, a loss direct and indirect of $750,000 would not have resulted.

The Copper Dollar and the Marten fraction, two free gold claims adjoining the Eva, on Lexington mountain, have been sold to Elwood, Indiana, people, who are operating the Western Star here. The price at which the properties sold is withheld, but it is currently believed to be a good round figure. The manager for the company, Mr. J. A. Darragh, states that development work on the Copper Dollar and the Marten fraction will be carried forward on a large scale early in the spring. The workings so far aggregate about 90 feet.

—Camborne Miner.

The Statist, of London, figures it out that there is every chance of silver recovering in strength. It says: "We base the opinion on several considerations. One of these is that so soon as the new year sets in, the stringency in the American money market will come to an end. A second and more powerful cause is the recuperative power that is being shown by India. China is regaining its usual condition, and business is going on fairly satisfactory. That being so, it is probable that China will be able to take more silver than she has done of late, and if China and India buy more freely there must necessarily be a recovery in the silver market."

Thirsting For a Dry Dock

Vancouver Looking With Envious Eyes on Facilities at Esquimalt.

Board of Trade Appoints a Committee to See What Can Be Done.

Certain of the business men of Vancouver are enamored of the idea of some day being able to secure the building of an Imperial government dry dock at the Terminal City, and the matter was seriously discussed at a meeting of the Board of Trade held on Tuesday evening. Readers of the Colonist will be interested in learning just what form the discussion took, so the News-Advertiser's report of the proceedings at the Board of Trade dealing with the dry dock matter is appended.

The chairman, Mr. W. H. Malkin, introduced the dry dock question by remarking that he understood that the Imperial government's lease of the Esquimalt dry dock had, or was about to expire. New arrangements altogether were, he understood, contemplated, and it was a question for the board to consider whether Vancouver's advantages as a site for a dry dock should not be represented. Whether a dock was to be built by the Imperial government, the Dominion, or by private parties, he thought the convenience and facilities offered by Vancouver for a dry dock might be pressed with advantage.

Mr. R. H. Alexander stated that when Vancouver was selected as the terminus of the Canadian Pacific railway, the question was discussed as to whether the Imperial government should continue the establishment of an arsenal at Esquimalt, or change the site to near Vancouver, and Bidwell Bay was suggested. He had no doubt that the Imperial authorities knew more about Burrard Inlet than the members of the board did. The value of a large dry dock in a port was well known, but, on the other hand, if a vessel disabled at sea usually made for the nearest port, and it was not likely that vessels would pass Esquimalt and come to Vancouver involving a longer trip and towage, if docking facilities were available there.

Mr. C. Gardiner-Johnson spoke on the question at some length, setting forth the advantages of a floating dock for the port, on account of the comparative cheapness of construction. Roughly speaking, it would cost $750,000 against $2,000,000 for a dry dock of equal size, on the Esquimalt dock principle. It was time Vancouver had a large dry dock, and it would mean much to the city as a port. The present Esquimalt dock was not large enough to more than barely take a small second class cruiser, whereas a floating dock, such as could be built here, would accommodate with equal ease either a ten-ton yacht or the largest man-of-war afloat. As the terminus of the Canadian Pacific railway, possessing a protected harbor, both from the elements and in case of war, Vancouver offered exceptional facilities for a dry dock. He would favor the drawing up of some good arguments in Vancouver's favor to be presented to the Imperial government. Vancouver had a wonderful deep water harbor and the facilities for docks and shipping offered by it were unequalled.

Mr. C. F. Jackson stated that Vancouver's harbor was more suited for a floating dry dock than Esquimalt. In fact, he understood that Esquimalt had not the depth of water necessary for a floating dock. The number of large steamers coming to this port was increasing, and would continue to increase. If fresh ports were opened up for a new railway terminus in the North, the large steamers going to these would also come to Vancouver, and so the shipping trade would increase. The time, however, to press for the construction of a large dock was now. If the matter was delayed it might result in a dry dock being built at the ports created by other transcontinental railways, and the need for one here would be large obviated and Vancouver would consequently loose its chance to secure a large dock possibly for many years.

Finally, on the motion of Mr. W. G. Harvey, seconded by Mr. F. Crickmay, a committee of five was appointed by the chairman to take the matter up. The committee named was as follows: Messrs. R. H. Alexander, Colin F. Jackson, F. Carter-Cotton, F. F. Burns and C. G. Johnson.

The business men of Victoria are not at all alarmed at the aspirations of Vancouver, as they consider it a wild dream for Vancouverites to entertain the hope of inducing the Imperial government to build a dock at Vancouver. In this connection, the remarks made by a naval officer in conversation with a Colonist reported, when the Vancouver "dream" was first made public, are interesting.

"Why," said he, "the idea is ridiculous. It should be understood first of all that the Admiralty selected Esquimalt as its naval base on the Pacific because of its strategical advantages. It would not matter one iota were there not a soul on Vancouver Island and numerous big cities on Burrard Inlet, Esquimalt would still be the base of naval operations. The reason is simple—possessing fortifications and docks at Esquimalt, the Admiralty has a base from which to provide absolute immunity of attack to every port on the Coast of British Columbia. If British Columbia ports were menaced, it would be an easy matter to guard the passages leading to Mainland ports, both on the North and South. Then, again, the intricate passages necessary to be navigated to get to Vancouver damns forever any suggestion of making Burrard Inlet the point for the building of a naval dock. When a warship requires to dock, she must do so in a hurry. Imagine a disabled ship waiting for the fog to lift or the tide to change in Plumper's Pass!"

LE ROI'S OUTPUT.

Shipments Will Be Greatly Increased—The Black Bear Stope.

Rossland, Jan. 7.—Le Roi mine is increasing its monthly output by five or six thousand tons, making an average monthly aggregate for the future of eighteen to twenty thousand tons. The Black Bear stope, the Western workings on the South vein, has been opened up. Its product is slightly lower in grade than the ore shipped for the past eight months, but this is desired on account of reduced treatment charges at Northport smelter and desirability of reducing quality of matte to terms of contract with the refinery, which the matte now exceeds. The mine is employing three hundred and sixty men, which may be increased slightly.

Submits to Inevitable

Venezuela Cabinet Though Unwillingly Now Agrees to Allies Terms.

And Dispute Will Be Settled by Means of Arbitration.

Difficulties May Be Arranged Without Invoking the Hague Tribunal.

Caracas, Jan. 8.—After two stormy meetings of the cabinet, all the conditions set forth in the replies of the powers to President Castro's last proposal in the matter of settling the Venezuelan dispute through arbitration, have been accepted by the Venezuelan government. The government considers these conditions to be unjust, but declares it is obliged to yield to force. The answer was delivered at the United States legation here at noon today. The conditions of the powers cover cash payments to the allies and guarantees for the payment of the balance of their claims. It can be said on good authority that the question of raising the existing blockade will not be considered.

Washington, Jan. 8.—United States Minister Bowen transmitted to the State Department another reply from President Castro touching the arbitration proposals. As heretofore, President Castro expresses willingness to submit the matter to arbitration, and, in addition to his former communication, he is now willing to recognize the propriety of submitting the claims referred to in the British and German notes to The Hague, something that he has not up to this point been willing to do. Some details remain to be arranged before the next step, the appointment of commissioners, can be taken, and it is not yet known how President Castro will receive the demand still insisted upon by the allies for a money payment, and how he will view the rejection of his own demand for the immediate withdrawal of the blockade as conditions precedent.

It now appears there is a reasonable prospect that the trouble can be settled without invoking the machinery of The Hague tribunal. When the commission meets here, it is stated, they will have instructions from the principals to endeavor to adjust the dispute out of hand at Washington.

If not, the commissioners will proceed according to the original plan to draw up the protocol prescribing the conditions upon which the issues between the parties shall be submitted to arbitration of The Hague tribunal. It is improbable in the judgment of the officials here, that the blockade will be raised until the commissioners do one of these two things: Either reach a complete settlement, or sign a protocol providing for arbitration. In the latter case, even though a technical and final adjustment cannot be realized until The Hague tribunal has announced its decision, the blockade will not be continued during the pendency of the proceedings there, for the protocol will be regarded as sufficient to bind President Castro, providing the conditions precedent required by the allies are complied with.

VANCOUVER CIVIC ELECTIONS

Result of Aldermanic Contest in the Terminal City—Big Mill.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 8.—The civic elections here today resulted as follows:

Mayor—Neelands, acclamation.

Ward 1—Ald. Bethune (re-elected), and ex-Ald. Grant.

Ward 2—Ald. McQueen and Ald. Cook, (both re-elected).

Ward 3—Ald. McGuigan and Ald. Wilson (acclamation).

Ward 4—Ald. Brown (re-elected), Robt. McPherson.

Ward 5—Ald. Wood (re-elected) and John Morton (Labor candidate.)

The closing meeting of the School Board took place last night. The report of the Management committee showed 78 teachers employed and all schools full to overflowing. Chairman Ramsay in his address stated that the principals of the schools should be called together and asked to show cause why the pass list for the entrance examinations in Vancouver was so small. Mr. Ramsay advocated night schools for young men and women in the city who had to earn their living before they had completed their education, and that sewing and cooking be taught in the schools.

"The biggest shingle mill in the world," that is what a capitalist from Virginia says he is going to erest in Vancouver. The capacity of McNair's shingle mill is one million shingles a day and the Virginia man says his mill will be bigger, for besides erecting a shingle mill capable of turning out one million shingles in 24 shingles in 24 hours he will join the monster mill to another large shingle mill he hopes to acquire and is now negotiating for. A saw mill will also be built capable of cutting 125,000 feet of timber daily for over sea export, and for railway shipment. As such a large undertaking will necessitate a wide extent of foreshore property the intending investor declined to be quoted, fearing that present negotiations might be adversely affected. Matters have progressed so far, however, that a manager for the big mill has been named, and the report of the projected enterprise is in circulation among timber men. The capitalist who contemplates the erection of the mills strangely enough is not a timber man. His attention was attracted to Vancouver through the efficient work of the Tourists' association in advertising Vancouver's advantages, and in many interviews he had with business men he felt convinced that the timber industry was the backbone of British Columbia and an investment in the industry would bring in the future sure and very substantial returns.

ONTARIO ELECTIONS.

Argument in Lennox Contest—North Norfolk Count.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Argument in the Lennox election appeal was continued today, but was not finished.

Simcoe, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—The returning officer for North Norfolk today opened the ballot boxes and made the official declaration of votes cast by the electors. Little had 1,824 votes and Snider 1,764, making Little's majority an even 100.

WORK ON THE GRIZZLY BEAR.

A private letter from Clayoquot, dated January 3, says: "Word on the Grizzly Bear claim on Kennedy lake is being rapidly pushed and they have now gone in between 120 and 130 feet and still showing four feet of good high grade ore."

Maud—"So Jack is engaged, is he? And is Lucy the bride-to-be?" Irene—"No; she's the tried-to-be."—Chicago Tribune.

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MINERAL ACT.

(Form F.)
Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE—"Star" Mineral Claim, situate in the Victoria Mining Division, Chemainus District. Where located: On Mount Brenton, Chemainus District aforesaid, described by record as "on a creek emptying into Chemainus river about eight miles from E. & N. Ry bridge" and known and described by survey and on plan as "Lot 93 G, Chemainus District."

Take notice that The Mounts Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B66511, intend, sixty 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 sixth day of November, A. D. 1902.

The Mts. Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited.

R. T. ELLIOTT, Secretary.
W. A. DIER, Managing Director.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

"Mountain Queen," "Mountain King," "Elva," "New Comstock," "Asa Thor," "N. S." Fractional, "Ireka" Fractional and "Edith" Fractional Mineral Claims, situate in the Quatsino Mining Division of Rupert District. Located West of the S. E. Arm, Quatsino Sound.

Take notice that I, Livingston Thompson, agent for the Ireka Copper Company, and for the Quatsino Mining and Reduction Company, Limited, and also for Messrs. A. F. Gwin and Rowland Lea and also for W. H. Fortier, Trustee, Free Miner's Certificate No. B70467, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

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Dated this 6 day of Jan., A. D. 1903
LIVINGSTON THOMPSON.

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"Superior," "Pocohontas," "Tuscarora," "Quatsino Chief," "Mohican" Fractional, "Hiawatha" Fractional, "Ready Cash" Fractional, and "Omega" Fractional Mineral Claims, situate in the Quatsino Mining Division of Rupert District. Located West of the S. E. Arm, Quatsino Sound.

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AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

"COMPANIES' ACT, 1897."

I hereby certify that the "Yale Mining CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF Company" has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies' Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the company is situate in the city of Anaconda, State of Montana, U. S. A.

The amount of the capital of the company is $250,000, divided into 2,500 shares of $1,000 each.

The head office of the company in this province is situate at the Town of Hedley, and M. K. Rogers, Mining Engineer, whose address is Town of Hedley aforesaid, is the attorney for the company (not empowered to issue or transfer stock.)

The time of the existence of the company is forty years. The company is limited.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 15th day of December, one thousand nine hundred and two.

(Seal.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The following are the objects for which the company has been established:

(1) To carry on the business of mining, milling, concentrating, converting, smelting, treating, preparing for market, manufacturing, purchasing, selling, exchanging, and otherwise producing and dealing in gold, silver, copper, lead, and other metals and minerals of every kind and description, and generally and without limit as to amount, to buy, sell, exchange, lease, acquire, and deal in bonds, mines, and mineral rights and claims, and in the above specified products, and to conduct all business pertaining thereto;

(2) To purchase, take on lease, or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire, any real or personal property, rights or privileges, suitable or convenient for any purpose of its business; to erect and construct, make and improve, or subscribe toward the construction, making and improvement of mills and works of all kinds, in so far as the same may be pertinent to, or essential for the conducting the business of the corporation;

(3) To construct canals, ditches, flumes and other works, for carrying water, and reservoirs for storing the same;

(4) To purchase, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, and to hold the shares, stock or obligations of any company organized under the laws of this State, or in any other State or Territory of the United States, and to sell or exchange the same, or upon distribution of the assets, or a division of the profits, to distribute any such shares, or stocks, or obligations, or the proceeds thereof, among the stockholders of the corporation;

(5) To borrow or raise money for any purpose of the corporation, to secure the same and interest, or for any other purposes; to mortgage or charge the undertaking of all or any part of the property hereinafter acquired, subject to the limitations prescribed by the laws of the State

(6) That the corporation hereby formed is especially authorized to carry on and conduct the whole or any part of its business, or extend the same at any time after the filing of these Articles of Incorporation to the Province of British Columbia, Dominion of Canada, upon complying with the laws of British Columbia relating to the licensing and regulation of extra-provincial corporations.

Crofton House

VANCOUVER, B. C.

A Boarding and Day School for Girls.

The Lent term will begin on Monday, January 12th.

For all particulars apply to the Principal,
MISS GORDON,
(Late of Newnham College, Cambridge.)

MINERAL ACT.

(Form F.)
Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE—"May" Mineral Claim, situate in the Victoria Mining Division, Chemainus District. Where located: On Mount Brenton, Chemainus District aforesaid, described by record as "on a creek emptying into Chemainus river, about eight miles from E. & N. Ry bridge" and known and described by survey and on plan as "Lot 92G, Chemainus District."

Take notice that The Mounts Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B66511, intend, sixty 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 sixth day of November, A. D. 1902.

The Mts. Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited.

R. T. ELLIOTT, Secretary.
W. A. DIER, Managing Director.

Certificate of Improvements. Notice.—'Balkis," "Coeur D'Alene," "Coeur D'Alene No. 1," Coeur D'Alene No. 2," Coeur D'Alene No. 4," and "Coeur D'Alene Fraction" Mineral Claims, situate in the Alberni Mining Division of Clayoquot District. Where located: Effingham Inlet, Barclay Sound, Alberni. Take notice that I, Geo. A. Smith, agent for P. L. S., acting as agent for Wm. Watkins, Free Miner's Certificate No. B62888, intend, sixty 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 26th day of November, A. D., 1902. Geo. A. Smith.

B. C. STEAM DYE WORKS, 141 Yates Street, Victoria. Ladies' and Gentlemen's Garments and Household Furnishings cleaned, dyed or pressed equal to new.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 640 acres, situated on the West Arm of Quatsino Sound, described as follows: Commencing at a post placed on the north shore of the West Arm, thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains to point of commencement.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., December 2nd, 1902.

H. E. NEWTON.

FOR SALE.

Four roller, two revolution Campbell Printing Press, size of bed 37x52, in good condition. Must be sold to make room for new machinery.

APPLY

THE COLONIST.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company to construct, equip, maintain and operate railways upon the Mono-rail system, to be operated by steam or electricity, in the Province of British Columbia; to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines; to generate electricity for the supply of heat and power and to dispose of the same; to acquire water rights from the Crown or from private individuals; to exercise the powers conferred by the laws of British Columbia upon power companies by Parts IV. and V. of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897;" to expropriate lands for the use of the Company; to acquire timber limits and leases; to build and operate saw-mills; to acquire and hold real estate and dispose of the same; to build dams, flumes, ditches, canals and other water ways, and to collect tolls for the same; to build and maintain bridges, roadways, ferries, wharves and docks and to collect tolls for the same; to acquire mines, mineral claims and interests therein, and work, operate, develop and sell the same; to build, purchase or otherwise acquire and maintain steamships or other vessels and to operate the same; to make traffic arrangements with railway, steamship or other companies or individuals; to construct, maintain tunnels for mining purposes; to receive bonuses, subsidies, privileges or other aid from any government, municipality, company or individual; to build, maintain and operate smelters or other works for the treatment of ores or minerals; to issue debentures, debenture stock and negotiable instruments and other securities; to acquire patents or licences in connection with patents; to promote companies and all other powers incidental to the above objects.

CHAS. H. LUGRIN,
Solicitor for Applicants.
Victoria, B. C., November 18th, 1902.

MINERAL ACT.

(Form F.)
Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE—"Elmore" Fractional Mineral Claim, situate in the Victoria Mining Division, Chemainus District. Where located: On the Chemainus river at the base of Mount Sicker, between the "Victoria" Mineral Claim (Lot 21 G) and the "Copper Canyon" Mineral Claim (Lot 22 G) Chemainus District.

Take notice that The Mounts Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B66511, intend, sixty 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 sixth day of November, A. D. 1902.

The Mts. Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited.

R. T. ELLIOTT, Secretary.
W. A. DIER, Managing Director.

MINERAL ACT.

(Form F.)
Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE—"Yankee" Mineral Claim, situate in the Victoria Mining Division, Chemainus District. Where located: On Mount Sicker, Chemainus District aforesaid, described by record as "on Mount Sicker, joining the south side of the Richard the III. Mineral Claim, and known and described by survey and on Plan as "Lot 89, Chemainus District."

Take notice that the Mounts Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B66511, intend, sixty 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 sixth day of November, A. D. 1902.

The Mts. Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited.

R. T. ELLIOTT, Secretary.
W. A. DIER, Managing Director.