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GOSSIP OF NELSON

Hall Mines Smelter Wants Its Water Supply From the City.

AN OPPOSITION MEETING

Made State Speeches—Rossland Branch of Promise Case Comes Up Today—Plan for a Sewerage System Adopted.

NELSON, Sept. 8.—[Special.]—At a special meeting of the city council this afternoon an application from the Hall Mines company was read. They asked that they be allowed to run a 6-inch main from the new city reservoir to the smelter. They agreed to pay all cost of construction. They also stated that they would either pay a fair yearly rental, or so much per thousand gallons. After some discussion it was decided to lay the matter over and decide upon it when the new water system was finished.

The council decided finally to allow Contractor Hallway \$388.79 for extras on the new city job. He had submitted the requested itemized list of expenses. The Plumbers' bylaw, No. 14, was read for the third time. The council determined upon the sewer plan, adopting the one presented by the city engineer. The main sewer will be laid on Ward street, following the curves of Ward creek, which is now the natural sewer. Laterals will be laid on Baker, Vernon, and Stanley. The sewer will be let in two sections—one from the water to Baker street, and one from Baker street to Silica. The council will send a copy of the plans to the Provincial board of health for their approval.

Liberal Carpet Beggars. A quasi political meeting was held here last Monday night, at which a number of bright and shining lights of the Liberal party were guests of honor. There were G. E. Maxwell, M. P. for Burrard, and Mayor Templeton of Vancouver. C. Bragg, ex-alderman of Victoria, now of Nelson, called the meeting to order and introduced the speakers. Many prominent citizens were present. The addresses were rambling and characterless. Maxwell walked rough shod over Speaker Higgins. He stated that his tour of the Kootenay was not for political purposes. Oh no. He wanted to post himself on the country and be able to speak of it understandingly. He did not believe in dividing party lines, although the Conservative newspapers insisted that he did. He said he would leave Higgins alone, strictly. Then he proceeded not to do so. He was followed by Mayor Templeton, who spoke in the same strain.

A great deal of fun was caused by an individual, half seas over, who got up and laid his hat on the table and proceeded with gravity to welcome the visitors in behalf of Nelson. "That fellow over there, the one in the corner," meaning Maxwell, "and the Hon. Mayor of British Columbia." He made the hit of the evening. In an interview afterward Mr. Maxwell stated just what he has said in every interview printed, about the railroad subsidy, not a new remark. The Miner Quoted Houston.

The paper published in Nelson on Wednesday says in this issue: "THE ROSSLAND MINER puts words in Hon. G. B. Martin's mouth that he never uttered during his visit to Nelson. THE MINER has it that Mr. Martin said 'that the people of Nelson had no voice; that he did not give a vote for them.' THE MINER in its effort to make a point against a political opponent has consulted false prophets." Mayor Houston at a meeting of the council, accredited the quoted words to Mr. Martin, so it is merely a question whose veracity to take stock in Mayor Houston's or the editor of the said paper.

Local News Notes. City Clerk Seeley has moved into his new quarters in the city hall. The new city water reservoir, which is of concrete and holds 1,000,000 gallons, has been completed. By Nov. 1 the contractors expect to have the distributing system finished. Ludlow hydrants are to be laid through both residence and business districts.

Thompson & Bell have secured the contract for the building of the additional room on the public school building. Their bid was \$740, so something will be left of that much discussed \$1,000 appropriation. A furnace will be placed in the washroom. The Nelson Sawmill company presented a petition to the court today for permission to wind up its affairs under the Winding Up act. Decision was reserved. Tomorrow the suit of Miss S. E. Rideout vs. M. W. McLeod, for breach of promise, will be tried. Both parties are from Rossland. A new vein is being worked on the property, and is looking nicely. The St. Croix adjoins the Oriental, on the west slope of Lookout mountain. Alexander Lynch, Ben Perkins and E. S. Topping are the owners.

NAKUSP STILL AGRROUND. River is Falling Rapidly and She is About High and Dry. TRAIL, Sept. 9.—[Special.]—The steamer Nakusp is still aground, at Kootenay rapids and unless the steamer Trail succeeds in pulling her off she will rest there until high water comes again in May next. This afternoon the paddles of her wheel were in only six inches of water, and the river is rapidly falling so that before the end of the month the Nakusp will be high and dry. Even if she is hoisted again, she will have to go to the dry dock, as it is feared she is severely strained.

The steamer Lytton today brought down from the north a quantity of tackle and other apparatus for helping to float the disabled steamer, and the Lytton left for the north early this morning and put in the entire day tugging away at the Nakusp, but, up to this time, without success. The Lytton is taking the run of the Nakusp, and unless the latter is floated the C. P. R. service will suffer severely.

Frank Dickinson and Miss Maude Gilkepe have returned from the south where they were united in marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Dickinson will reside in Trail. George Tighe, who has been confined to his bed with fever, is improving.

Dr. Agnew's Ointment relieves in one day and cures Tetter, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Eczema, Barbers' Itch, Ulcers, Blotches and all eruptions of the skin. It is soothing and quieting, and acts like magic in the cure of all baby humors; 25 cents.

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SLAPPED WOODHOUSE'S FACE.

English Mining Expert Got a Hot Reception at a Midway Hotel.

MIDWAY, Sept. 8.—[Special.]—A. H. Woodhouse of Rossland, who visited this town on Sunday evening, did not appear to find things to his liking. Within an hour or two of his arrival at the Boundary hotel he had angered both of the proprietors, Messrs. McAuley and Keightley. Eventually the former slapped the face of the mining man, who thereupon felt it incumbent upon himself to resent such an outrage upon his dignity, by changing his quarters. It is usual to give guests a warm welcome at the Boundary hotel, but not a hot one, for the genial hosts are accustomed to cater for reasonable people only.

G. A. Greene of Montreal, one of the directors of the Midway Townsite company, paid this city a brief visit this week. He was shown around by A. K. Stuart, townsite agent, and appeared to be well pleased with the town and the evident progress it is making. He left yesterday for California, via Marcus. On his return journey to the east he will take the C. P. R. of Vancouver.

Messrs. Voorhees and Davis, traveling musicians, were liberally patronized here, and afterwards went out via Penitence. They gave an entertainment in the public hall on Saturday evening and on Monday evening were good enough to play at a social given by the Midway branch of the Y. P. S. C. E. Both their kindness and their playing were much appreciated.

The work of making a transcript of the records for use in the new Mining Recorder's office at Grand Forks is being carried out by clerks specially engaged for the purpose, and will shortly be completed.

Several private residences and other buildings have recently been erected here, and improvements are to be seen on every side. Among the new buildings are an office and residence for Constable Officer Sutherland; an office for Mr. Thompson, mining agent; a two-story house for Mr. Hodgson, J. P., of Greenwood, who leaves for England to-day with the intention of returning next spring with a bride; alterations and additions to the Lancaster House and other building improvements. The townsite company is also doing a lot of work, chiefly in cutting irrigation channels and in making bridges, culverts and flumes in connection with these ditches.

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN MINES.

Little Joe Will Make Its First Shipment in a Fortnight.

TRAIL, Sept. 9.—[Special.]—The Little Joe, better known in this vicinity as Colonel Topping's pet, will be the first shipping mine on Lookout mountain. Within 15 days 20 tons of ore will be brought down to the Trail smelter, and the inevitable result will be vigorous activity on the other promising prospects on this mountain. Work is now being done on a 26-inch vein of \$97 ore, and four tons of it are on the dump.

The tunnel on the Little Joe is in 85 feet. The vein was in sight at the outset, but the tunnel apparently left it. The miners then ran a drift north from the face of the tunnel and struck the vein within six feet. Another shaft was put on to prepare for shipping. The vein is traced on the surface for 2,300 feet and is found to be 26 inches wide in the 30-foot shaft of the Western Spy, and 26 inches wide in the 26-inch shaft. Here has been found \$26 rock.

For more than a year and a half the Little Joe has been the favorite mining property of Colonel Topping, and he has devoted more attention to it than to any other of his numerous holdings. It is about 1200 feet above Trail and 450 feet above the Columbia & Western tracks, and just a half mile by an excellent trail to the Crown Point "Y." The ore is arsenical iron, carrying some copper pyrites, and today the men found some pieces bearing free gold. While work has been continued constantly, there has been little said about the property lately, and the report that the company would be shipping in 15 days caused the greatest interest today.

The Little Joe company has also acquired the Western Spy and Kangaroo. There are three veins on the property, two of which run easterly and westerly, and one, apparently a cross vein, northerly and southerly. It is the impression of many that the latter is a continuation of the Deadwood vein, which has assayed as high as \$400 per ton, although its surface assay value on the Little Joe ground is only \$8. The tunnel is at the eastern end of the Little Joe claim, and had been run only ten feet when an ore chute was uncovered showing a 20-inch vein of ore that assayed \$100 for its full width. The value in the ore is almost entirely gold, two ounces of silver being the largest amount yet found in an assay. The company at one time refused \$20,000 for its property, and Col. Topping says he is confident that it will prove to Lookout mountain what Le Roi has to Red mountain.

In another week all necessary work to secure a crown grant will be pushed on the St. Croix. A new vein is being worked on the property, and is looking nicely. The St. Croix adjoins the Oriental, on the west slope of Lookout mountain. Alexander Lynch, Ben Perkins and E. S. Topping are the owners.

Tomorrow development work will be commenced by a large force of men, on the Mascoat and the Julius Caesar. There is some good ore ready for shipment now and it is expected they will soon join the list of steady shippers.

A FINE TELURUM ORE.

D. R. McLean of Sandon has just returned from an extended trip all through the Duncan creek district. He examined properties closely. He stated in an interview with your correspondent that great excitement prevails wherever the recent great find of tellurium ore, on Duncan slope near the head of Gaynot creek, is known. He says a party of men are working back of Duncan, surveying from the head of Kootenay lake to Trout lake. It is supposed that they are working for the Kaslo & Slocan railroad.

The Gold Hill Development company has had a force of 30 men out all summer looking for prospects. They made their headquarters on the peninsula on Houser lake. Mr. McLean says they have made some fine locations on Bear creek.

The Surprise, on Glacier creek, is a good prospect. It is dry ore, quartz with a streak of gray copper running through it. It looks very rich. Messrs. McDonnell and McLeod have a property on Hammell creek for which Mr. McEwen is negotiating. It has a big galena showing, the lead being nine feet with a 16-inch gray copper streak through the center. An average assay gave 153 ounces of silver to the ton.

Work is progressing satisfactorily on the Wagner group on Hall creek, about 40 miles from the head of Kootenay lake. The men are now sinking a shaft on the lead. The rock looks well; it is galena, the principal value being in silver. J. McAlman is elated over the show-

ELLA GIVEN \$3,000

M. W. McLeod Must Pay for Jilting Mrs. Rideout.

TURNED HER OUT DOORS

Paddy Miles, One of Nelson's Characters, in the Tolls Again—Interesting Mining News From Toad Mountain and Elsewhere.

NELSON, Sept. 9.—[Special.]—Today the case of Mrs. Sarah Ella Rideout vs. Malcom M. McLeod for breach of promise came up before Justice Drake. Both parties are from Rossland, Mr. McLeod being proprietor of the Highland hotel in that city. The jury was out five hours—from 3:30 to 5:30. They brought in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$3,000. The story evolved from the mass of testimony was to the effect that Mrs. Rideout was married to Rideout in Stillwater, Maine, in 1885. She left her husband while they were in Stillwater in the fall of 1889. Then she went to Seattle later. Later she, with Mr. McLeod, went to New Whatcom, where they ran a saloon. Times became dull and they went to Cripple Creek, when they stayed three days, leaving there for Rossland. There they went into the hotel business, she being known as Mrs. McLeod. Last November he unceremoniously turned her out of house and home, giving her \$100 for a starter. She went to Spokane, as he refused to keep his promise to marry her. Then she went to Trail to await the trial. There was an effort to prove that Mrs. Rideout had sustained criminal relations with a Fred Halliday, first in Rossland and then in Trail. But counsel for plaintiff averted that danger. The witness for the plaintiff was Mrs. Nickerson; Mrs. David of Rossland and a Dr. Johnson appeared for the defense. W. A. MacDonald appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. MacDonald of Rossland for the defense. Mr. MacDonald's plea to the jury was a fine oratorical effort. Mrs. Rideout is a rather nice looking woman, a blond, apparently about 35 years of age. Mr. McLeod is neither handsome nor homely. His excuse for jilting his wife was that he had joined the Knights of Pythias.

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ing made on his property, the O. K., which is located on Seven-Mile creek, three miles below the Alpine group. He has opened it in several places for the purpose of showing the lead, which appears to be from five to six feet in width. The O. K. is a free gold proposition and from appearance a valuable one. Recent assays gave a result of 16.52 ounces of gold to the ton, or \$341.46.

Developing the Northern Light. Development work is being pushed on the Northern Light group situated at the head of Forty-Nine creek, by the owners, John Dorsey and George Robinson. It is just a mile north of the McGinty group. Two shafts of 15 feet each have been sunk and a 100-foot tunnel completed. The lower shaft uncovered a six-foot ledge of copper sulphurets carrying a large percentage of free gold. The walls are of talco slate and decomposed rock. A recent assay from this gave \$15 in gold and five per cent copper. The shafts were sunk on a ledge, which is said to be a true fissure vein, open in four places for about 200 feet. It is expected that as development proceeds copper values will increase.

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A Few Facts Concerning Mineral City.

The mines on Cariboo Creek in the famous SLOCAN DISTRICT are tributary to Mineral City. A wagon road is now being built by the provincial government from Arrow Lake to Mineral City.

Mineral City will be to the Cariboo district what Rossland is to the Trail Creek district. See key plan at any agents office.

A sample shipment of 60 tons of ore was sent to the Trail smelter which assayed \$60 in gold to the ton.

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