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## THE 500-FOOT LEVEL

**War Eagle's No. 3 Tunnel Has Cut the Vein.**

## 50,000 TONS BLOCKED OUT

**Three Pay Chutes Have Been Developed on the No. 2 Level and the Winze Sunk 125 Feet in Ore to Connect With the No. 3.**

There has been a persistent rumor going about that the War Eagle had played out. It is said such a story was first given currency in New York shortly after the War Eagle sale by a well-known mining man who at one time held a few thousand shares of stock in the old War Eagle company. Whether this was the real source of the rumor is not known, but that it has been spread about with a malicious purpose is quite evident. In order to learn the real condition of the mine and to supply the information to the readers of THE MINER, we asked J. B. Hastings, manager, for the privilege of sending a representative of the paper through the mine. This request was unhesitatingly and cheerfully granted, and in company with Mr. Hastings the visit was made yesterday.

It may be said at the very outset that there is not a shadow of truth in the stories recently circulated to the War Eagle's discredit. The mine never before looked so well. A reasonable estimate is that there are now 50,000 tons of ore in sight of an average value of $25 per ton—a total value of $1,250,000.

**On the Second Level.**

The principal operations are at present being carried forward on the No. 2 level. This is the level made by the No. 2 tunnel, which starts in near the ore house, and just north of the War Eagle offices. Three ore chutes have been developed in this level. No. 1 chute is about 50 feet long, is four feet wide in the middle and two feet wide at each end. It 140 feet from No. 2 level to the level above and little or no ore has been stoped from No. 1 chute.

No. 2 chute is further west and is 320 feet long—the longest ore chute yet found in the camp. About 170 feet will average six feet in width. In some places it is more than 15 feet wide. This is what is known as the big ore chute, in which the old War Eagle company made an upraise 140 feet to the level above and the one in which the present winze was started. A good deal of stoping has been done on either side of this upraise, but the ore bodies have hardly been touched. The faces in the stopes are from six to ten feet wide and the ore is so clean that it requires no sorting. A second upraise has been started by Mr. Hastings. This is 55 feet east of the old upraise and is now 30 feet high, all in ore, of very high grade, the assays ranging from $40 to $80 in gold. This upraise will be made for the purpose of facilitating the stoping of ore.

**The Showing In the Winze.**

The winze sunk in No. 2 chute is 125 feet deep. Here a station has been cut and drifting started both east and west. In a few days sinking will be resumed and continued 125 feet further, when a junction will be formed with the No. 3 tunnel from the Iron Mask ground. The buckets have been taken off the hoist over the winze and a skip put in capable of raising a ton of ore every five minutes. This skip will be put in operation March 17. This improvement does not look much like the mine had played out. The drifts now being run from the bottom of the winze will open up some large stoping areas in No. 2 ore chute below the No. 2 level.

The No. 3 ore chute is the one farthest west, and is 80 feet long on the upper level and 40 feet long on the No. 2 level, being reduced on the No. 2 level by a fault or break on the west end. This ore body, 160 feet deep on the incline, has an average width of six feet and has hardly been touched. Two stopes are now being run on this chute and both look very fine. The ore is so clean it requires no sorting.

This will give a rough idea of the ore bodies in the mine. It is easy enough to see that instead of the War Eagle being played out it is in the highest stage of prosperous and successful development. About 80 men are now employed and six power drills are running. In a short time the force will be increased to 125 men and the number of drills be just doubled.

**In the No. 3 Tunnel.**

But the best part of the story remains to be told. When Mr. Hastings took charge of the mine he started, as announced in THE MINER at the time, a crosscut tunnel from the Iron Mask, or No. 3 tunnel, which had at that time been run in 850 feet from the Centre Star gulch. This was to tap the War Eagle vein near where it passes into the Centre Star ground and near the east end line of the War Eagle. Last Saturday night the vein was cut at a distance of 215 feet from where the crosscut was started. It had taken just seven weeks to run this crosscut—30 feet a week—and Mr. Hastings says the cost was $7 a foot. This proves thas after all it does not necessarily cost an exorbitant price to drive through our diorite.

The cutting of the vein at this point is most important. The level upon which it was cut is 500 feet below the outcrop on the hill above the War Eagle No. 2 ore chute, and 250 feet below the No. 2 tunnel. In other words, the War Eagle vein has now been proved to a depth of 500 feet. The footwall of the vein was reached yesterday, the whole distance run on the crosscut being 223 feet. A drift will now be started on the vein and this will be run 950 feet to connect with the winze being run down from the No. 2 level. The ore found in the vein just cut is of shipping grade, an assay showing $20 in gold and 7 per cent copper, making the total value $27.

In a short time, that is when the increased force of both men and drills is put on, the output of the mine will be much larger than ever before. Mr. Hastings says it has not yet been determined whether the shipments will be increased or not. This will depend upon the rate of freight and treatment to be secured. Then again, the War Eagle may have a smelter of its own. There will be no special endeavor to ship ore until these questions are settled.

### CLARK AS RECEIVER.

**Comptroller of Currency Not Dissatisfied With His Stewardship.**

On the 3d of March THE MINER published among its Spokane dispatches one relating to the visit of Mr. Andrews, agent of the United States comptroller of the currency, to the Last Chance mine at Wardner, Idaho, and his supposed connection with the receivership of the First National Bank of Spokane. It is now evident that an injustice was done to F. Lewis Clark, receiver of the First National bank, in that dispatch. Our correspondent was entirely mistaken in the interpretation put upon the visit of Mr. Andrews.

We have the most abundant assurance that the receivership of Mr. Clark has met with the cordial approval of the comptroller of the currency, and we regret that our correspondent should have fallen into the error of drawing any other inference from the visit of Mr. Andrews.

### NEVER WAS A DIRECTOR.

**H. C. Bellinger Was Never Connected With the Orphan Boy.**

H. C. Bellinger, of the Trail smelter, was in town yesterday and called at THE MINER office to make a statement in connection with the Orphan Boy company, which it gives us a great deal of pleasure to publish. It was as follows:

"Last summer I was approached by F. C. Whitney, whom I knew as purser of one of the Columbia & Kootenay company's steamers, to take an interest in the Orphan Boy mine. He brought me some samples and I assayed them. They went so well that I agreed to buy an interest, along with E. H. Wedekind, provided I could get time to go and examine the property. Later it became apparent I could not spare the time for the trip and so I notified him I could not invest. Mr. Wedekind, however, concluded to take the chances and bought a considerable interest in the mine.

"Soon after this Mr. Whitney came to Rossland and inserted an advertisement in THE MINER, in which I noticed my name as director. I asked a friend, Tom C. Gray, to call at your office and have my name taken out of the advertisement, as I was not connected with the company. Mr. Gray forgot this for a week or two, and when he finally called on you the advertisement had been discontinued.

"I can assure you that if I had been a director of the company Mr. Whitney would not have been running round the country with the company's seal. In my opinion the only square thing for the directors to do under the circumstances is to issue valid shares to all who bought them of Secretary Whitney."

### GRANT GOVAN'S COMPANY.

**It Has a Very Swell Board of Directors.**

The English company organized by Grant Govan, of which the MINER had mention yesterday, is known as the Gold Fields of British Columbia, limited. It has a capital of $600,000. The directors are the Right Hon. the Earl of Essex, the Right Hon. the Earl of Huntingdon, Col. Henry Fludyer, Col. Thos. Henry Anstey, Ernest Grant-Govan, and Alexander Matheson. The advisory board for Canada is composed of the Hon. Chas. E. Pooley, Hon. D. W. Higgins and David R. Ker of Victoria.

The company has been organized to take over a large number of mining claims in British Columbia, covering in all about 3,000 acres. Several of these are in the neighborhood of Rossland. Six hundred and forty acres consist of the Crome valley, property situated in the Similkameen district, and are placer ground. A most eleborate prospectus has been issued by the company. A feature consists of carefully prepared maps of all the mining properties to be taken over by the company.

### ROSSLAND'S FIRST ELECTION.

**Incorporation Committee Wants It April 3 Instead of April 22.**

The telegram sent to the incorporation committee by Premier Turner stated that the order in council providing for the first city elections in Rossland, Nelson and Grand Forks would issue yesterday, and that the date for nominations to civic offices would be fixed therein at April 17 and the elections on April 22. Last evening the incorporation committee met and discussed this matter. The sentiment was very strongly against any such unnecessary delay, and the following message was finally wired to the premier:

Hon. J. H. Turner, Premier, Victoria, B.C.—Citizens of Rossland emphatically request that in the interest of their health and property the elections take place not later than the 3d of April, and that the order-in-council be changed accordingly. Answer requested.

(Signed.) Scott, Lalonde, Thompson, Bowes, MacNeill, Armstrong, Hewitt, Miller and Campbell.

Incorporation Committee.

**Land Grant Survey.**

A. B. Smith sent out another gang of six men Tuesday, in charge of J. Herrick McGregor, on the survey of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railroad lands. Mr. McGregor is to run the second correct line eastward on the Columbia & Kootenay railroad to join the line being run westward by J. P. Anderson from a point on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard road. It is expected that the whole survey will be finished by the end of this month.

## BOOKS OPEN TODAY

**For Membership In Rossland's New Stock Exchange.**

## SHAW HOTEL SELECTED

**R. J. Bealey Elected President; F. W. Rolt, Vice-President; C. O'Brien Reddin, Treasurer and E. Kennedy, Secretary.**

Within a very short time Rossland will have its own stock exchange. The provisional trustees appointed at the meeting of brokers on Tuesday met last night, elected officers, chose a place in which to hold the exchange, and decided to open the books for membership today.

The following officers were elected: R. J. Bealey, president; F. W. Rolt, vice-president; C. O'Brien Reddin, treasurer: Ernest Kennedy, secretary. The secretary was empowered to employ a temporary assistant and to advertise for applicants for the position of permanent assistant secretary of the exchange.

**The Name of the Exchange.**

It was decided that the name of the exchange be "The British Columbia Stock Exchange of Rossland."

At the request of the committee the chairman then named Messrs. Reddin and Campbell as a sub-committee to confer with J. S. Clute, jr., barrister, as to the preparation of the necessary documents for the incorporation of the exchange.

**The Shaw Hotel Selected.**

After some further discussion the meeting adjourned for the purpose of inspecting the Shaw hotel, with a view to its selection as the premises of the exchange. On reassembling Messrs. Kennedy, Rolt and Smith were named as a committee to arrange for a lease of the premises.

It was next decided that the membership be an individual membership, each party applying for membership having the right to designate an authorized agent to act in his stead, such agent to be approved by the membership committee.

**Subscription Books Open.**

It was resolved that the secretary shall open the requisite books of the company at the office of Weeks, Kennedy & Co., at 11 o'clock a. m., today, for the purpose of receiving the signatures and subscriptions of those already passed upon by the committee of selection, together with applications of those desirous of becoming members, the application in each case to be accompanied by the membership fee of $50.

## THE NEWS IN ROSSLAND

**How the Report of the Big Fight Was Received.**

**Our Special Reports Gave the Earliest Tidings of Fitzsimmons' Victory—About $5,000 Wagered.**

Rossland gave up most of yesterday to the Corbett-Fitzsimmons' fight, and the afternoon, in a great measure, to celebrating the Fitzsimmons' victory. For a mining camp, however, there was no great amount of money changed hands on the event. One who is quite an authority on such matters has closely approximated the betting, and puts the amount paid over at $5,000 the average being at 10 to 8 on Corbett. In addition to this, however, several mining claims were bet, and two or three large blocks of mining stock were put up. At one place in the city Paris mutuals were sold, and also combinations on the several fights that took place at Carson yesterday. Very little interest was shown in any but the great fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons; and the mutual system did not seem to be understood. About $700 was invested in this way, and say $200 on the combinations.

Several of the leading hotels had bulletins of the battle wired to them, and to hear these bulletins read out as large a crowd as could get within range of the reader's voice was always congregated, cheering for the blows of their respective candidates with good will. The MINER received the Associated Press bulletins, which were read in the Rossland hotel, no arrangements having been made for their display in front of the MINER office by reason of the fact that the service from Vancouver was expected to be behind that from Spokane, which the hotels were depending on.

**Was a Splendid Service.**

Too much praise cannot be said in favor of these special dispatches of the Associated Press as compared with those of the Western Union. The Associated Press bulletins, over the Canadian Pacific wires, were in every instance several minutes ahead of all other information of the progress of the fight. The sixth round, for instance, was announced at the Rossland hotel while the first round was being read at the International and other places.

When the bulletin of round 14 was received, ending, "Fitz wins by the blow on Corbett's stomach" it was thought by the editor of THE MINER that there might be some mistake. It was held for 20 minutes, awaiting confirmation. This long wait was occasioned by the fact that the fight being ended the operator at Revelstoke had taken possession of the wire with an accummulation of commercial business. During these 20 minutes no one was allowed to leave the Canadian Pacific telegraph office, in the endeavor to prevent this news getting out until a confirmation was received.

No confirmation being obtainable the editor of THE MINER read the telegram at the Rossland hotel, at the same time announcing that it might be in error and that confirmation or correction was expected in a few minutes.

**Cautioned Not to Bet.**

At this time the sixth round only had been announced from Western Union telegrams. Evan Morgan, who was reading these telegrams to the great crowd at the International, paused after reading the eighth round to announce that THE MINER had a dispatch that the fight had been given to Fitzsimmons, and, he cautioned, every one to make no more bets until this could be confirmed. Some minutes later THE MINER received the referee's decision confirming the bulletin in regard to making public which so much caution had been taken.

**At the International.**

There were crowds at every place that received bulletins and also in the streets near them. The biggest crowd was at the International, where Evan Morgan had gotten up a sparring and wrestling entertainment to while away the waits between bulletins. His continuous exhibition of the manly art began at 10:30 with some small boys, about 12 years of age, representing the leading pugilists of the day. There was also wrestling by local celebrities, and among these Umfried and Murphy gave a very enjoyable exhibition. Jerry Flowers and Victor Langly had a four-round bout with the gloves that was much enjoyed, and just as they closed came the verified announcement that Fitzsimmons had been declared the winner, and such a volume of noise as the cheering was probably never before heard in Rossland.

**No Sure-Thing Bets Made.**

After the fight there was much talk of sure-thing bets having been made, and it was alleged that tips had been given out by the telegraph operators, or private messages received, ahead of the bulletins announcing Fitzsimmons' victory, which had enabled some individuals to win money without risking their own. THE MINER took pains to investigate this matter thoroughly last evening, and it has no hesitation in saying that the whole story is a fabrication. No tips were given out at the C. P. R. office, as the editor of THE MINER was present when the last two rounds were received and is prepared to prove that no one left that office with information as to the last round in the fight until after he had crossed the street and read the bulletin to the public in the Rossland hotel as above mentioned. No private messages of any kind were received at the C. P. R. office after the bulletins began to come until after the fight was over.

At the office of the Spokane & Northern Telegraph company an examination of the files shows that after receiving the bulletin of the sixth round a message was sent to Spokane advising them that the C. P. R. was getting a bulletin service for THE MINER and was away ahead of the Spokane service. At the very moment that this message was being sent, and before the operators in the Spokane & Northern office knew how the fight had terminated, THE MINER's editor was reading the bulletin giving the close of the fight and announcing Fitzsimmons' victory in the Rossland hotel.

It is quite likely that some parties hearing this bulletin read went down to the other places and announced the news, and it may be that some of them even offered to make bets after positively learning the result, but this has not been proved against a single individual.

One gentleman connected with a prominent mercantile house has been charged publicly with having done this very thing, but the testimony of many disinterested witnesses is to the effect that none of his bets were made after Fitzsimmons' victory was announced in the Rossland hotel, and before that time it was an impossibility for him to learn the result. His bets, which amounted in all to nearly $1,300, were all made prior to yesterday with the exception of $75.

In justice to the Spokane & Northern and Western Union telegraph companies it should be stated that they were unaware until the fight was over that the C. P. R. Telegraph company was sending bulletins to THE MINER. The reason their news was so much behind was that they were receiving and dispatching commercial business while the C. P. R. gave right of way to the news of the great fight.

**Le Roi's Second Test.**

The second test of Le Roi ore at the O. K. stamp mill was begun on Tuesday and in progress yesterday. The most careful preparations were made for it and every precaution taken which would insure a perfectly trustworthy result. Captain Hall, superintendent of the Le Roi, said yesterday that no information as to the test would be given out for the present. He proposes to have every detail fully in hand before any information is given out so there will be no misapprehension about the result. A great deal depends upon the test just made. If it is successful then the concentration of Rossland ores on a large scale is assured.

**His Energy Put to Use.**

John North was fined on Monday for being drunk and disorderly, and after he had paid his fine he set out to celebrate. In the evening he was painting the snow white town a glaring crimson by smashing doors and windows along Sour Dough alley, and was having a high old time when Constable Pyper came along and run him in. Justice of the Peace Townsend said to Mr. North yesterday morning: "You have altogether too much energy and nothing legitimate to expend it upon. We will accommodate you with a wood pile for the next three months."

**Spokane's Registration.**

SPOKANE, Wash., March 17.—[Special.]—The corporation counsel today notified the city clerk that the registration books must be closed on the 12th of April, which will leave but 22 days to register some 5,000 to 6,000 voters. This will require an average of nearly 200 per day, instead of about 50 a day, as the registration has been running.

The city council today instructed the corporation counsel to begin suits for all delinquent taxes, including grade taxes, due to the city.

## THE HEINZE SYSTEM

**Its Chief Is Working on the Extension to Boundary.**

## SMELTER AND REFINERY

**The Construction of the Latter Has Been Delayed by the Heavy Snows. New Blast Furnace Will Be Blown in by Monday.**

These are very busy days at the Trail smelter. Many improvements are being made. The new furnance is almost completed and will probably be blown in between now and next Monday. When this is in operation the capacity of the plant will be almost double1. The work of constructing the refinery has been greatly retarded by the almost constant snow fall. Had it not been for the almost unprecedented amount of snow the refinery would now be almost completed. When the weather changes for the better, as it is expected to do at almost any time, the construction of the refinery will go forward very rapidly. Since it will be the first refinery for the precious metals ever built in British Columbia or even in the entire Dominion of Canada, its completion will be a matter of considerable interest.

Mr. Heinze continues in New York. He has now been there for more than two months. His long stay is interpreted to mean that he is negotiating for the capital with which to build the Columbia & Western into the Boundary country. While nothing bearing on this subject has been heard from him there are reasons for believing that he is at last meeting with encouragement. It is known that Mr. Heinze has very complete information as to the mineral and general commercial possibilities of the Boundary country and it is known that he has the most unshaken faith in those possibilities. He believes in the country thoroughly and it is an ambition he has long entertained to get his railroad in there and establish a connection between that region and the Columbia river.

In the meantime the construction of that portion of the Columbia & Western between Trail and Robson up the west bank of the Columbia river is proceeding with reasonable speed. Between four and five hundred men are at work and the grading in many cases is completed. Much delay is being caused by the heavy snowfall, and while it was hoped the road would be in running order by May 1, it is now certain it will not be so before May 15. It is not unreasonable to suppose that Rossland will have an all rail connection via Robson with Nelson by June 1. The connection will not be made with Slocan lake points until two or three months later, probably not before September 1, though if the C. P. R. were to rush things the road from Slocan lake down to Slocan crossing could be ready for service by the middle of summer.

News from Mr. Heinze in New York may be expected at any time. If he should be successful in raising the money for the continuation of the Columbia & Western to Penticton, then we shall have hardly less development to the west of us this year than to the east of us through the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass road.

### MAY BE A RATE WAR.

**Canadian Pacific Placed at a Disadvantage on Tourists Tickets.**

CHICAGO, March 17.—A demand made by the Canadian Pacific road is likely to cause considerable demoralization in transcontinental passenger rates. The Canadian Pacific applied to the chairman of the Transcontinental Passenger association for authority to pay $12 commission on round trip tickets and $6 on one way. The application was based upon the facts that other roads were admittedly paying these commissions to tourist agencies. The chairman denied the application, on the grounds that the arrangements in connection with the tourist agencies were in effect when the Transcontinental Passenger association was formed. It is believed the Canadian Pacific will now take independent action and pay the commission, which may give rise to a rate war.

The promises made some time ago by the Southern Pacific to shippers at Galveston, are now to be filled, and the road is about to make that point one of its principal gulf points.

It is announced that C. P. Huntington has made an offer of $1,000,000 for the Galveston, Laporte & Houston road, running from Galveston a distance of 53 miles, and that the offer will be accepted.

**Palo Alto Machinery Started.**

President Estep, of the Palo Alto company, arrived from Spokane Monday to inspect the new machinery for his company. Steam was turned on yesterday and the pumps set to work raising the water now in the shaft. As soon as this water is out sinking will be resumed. The shaft is nearly 100 feet deep. The new steam hoist will enable the work to be carried on with much more eare and rapidity.

### BUSTLE IN AINSWORTH.

**Denver Syndicate Buying Up All the Available Claims.**

SPOKANE, Wash., March 17.—[Special.]—Gus W. Roche, who has just returned from the Ainsworth camp, says that while there a gentleman representing a Denver syndicate was in the town, bonding every good claim he could get hold of. On Monday he got a bond for three of the properties owned by Strobeck. He paid two per cent down and is to pay ten per cent when the snow goes off in May, and the other payments during the summer.

**Metal Quotations.**

NEW YORK, March 17.—Bar silver, 62 1/16c; silver certificates, 62¼@62¾c; Copper — Steady; brokers' price, $11.80; exchange price, $11.85@$12.

Lead—Firm; brokers' price, $3.00; exchange price, $3.40@$3.45.

### THANKS FROM GREECE.

**Words of Sympathy From the United States Senate Appreciated.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—Secretary Sherman today sent to the senate a note received from D. N. Botassi, consul general of Greece at New York, transmitting a cablegram from the Greek minister of foreign affairs in acknowledgment of a resolution agreed to by the senate before the expiration of last session, expressing a sympathy with the Cretan resolutionists.

"To the United States senate—The warm thanks of the Greek nation, as well as the government of Greece, are due the senate for the expression of its sympathy, which is of most valuable assistance to us, towards the accomplishment of our national aspirations."

### THE LE ROI MEETING.

**It Adjourned Without Increasing the Amount of Capital Stock.**

SPOKANE, Wash., March 17.—[Special.]—At a meeting of the Le Roi company, held last evening, only routine business was transacted. Nothing was completed concerning the proposition to increase the capital stock of the company. The meeting adjourned until March 27. The officers of the company refuse to state what special purpose in in the proposition to increase the amount of the capital stock.

## FILIBUSTERERS TO CUBA

**Dauntless and Other Ships Discussed by McKinley's Cabinet.**

**No Vessels Suspected of Filibustering Intent Are to Be Granted Clearance Papers Hereafter.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—The president and a number of his advisers had quite a prolonged conference today on the subject of the Cuban filibustering expeditions. The cabinet yesterday considered the question of the enforcement of the neutrality laws, with particular reference to the treatment of such vessels as the Dauntless, which are under suspicion of filibustering intent, but seek to secure clearances in routine fashion. A number of legal points are involved, and Attorney-General McKenna was asked to prepare a legal opinion of them today. By appointment Secretaries Sherman, Long and Gage and Attorney-General McKenna met the president for a further discussion of the subject.

It is understood that it was decided that, for the present at least, and until the matter is passed on by an official opinion from the attorney general, the policy of the administration will be to refuse clearance papers to vessels suspected of being engaged in filibustering operations in aid of the Cuban insurgents, unless an affidavit by the owner or master of the vessel that there is no intention to violate the neutrality laws of the United States; that is the burden of proof that there is no improper motive involved in the sailing of the vessel is to be on the owner or master.

This question has been the cause of some annoyance to the officials of the administration, and the tug Dauntless, now detained at Jacksonville on suspicion of having filibustering intentions, probably will not have clearance papers granted until the proper forms are complied with.

The furnishing of a patrol fleet for the protection of seal life in the Bering sea was also a matter of consultation today, but no conclusion was reached.

## A CLEVER DIAMOND THIEF

**Threw White Powder Into the Eyes of the Jeweler.**

**Said He Had Won on Fitzsimmons and Wanted to Blow It In—He Took $3,000 Worth.**

SPOKANE, Wash., March 17.—[Special.]—The boldest robbery ever perpetrated in the city took place this evening, in which I. Dornberg, jeweler and pawnbroker, lost over $3,000 worth of diamonds from his store on Howard street. Dornberg had gone home to supper, leaving his clerk, Max Goldstein, in charge of the store. A few minutes before 7 o'clock a well dressed man about 30 years of age entered the store and asked to look at some diamond rings, remarking that he had just won $300 on the fight at Carson and might just as well blow it in for a diamond. The clerk showed him some rings on the top of the show case, but they did not suit the stranger, who asked Goldstein if he did not have something better.

Goldstein went to the safe and brought out a tray containing about 20 of the best diamond rings in the store. The stranger examined one or two of the rings when he suddenly pulled his hand out of his pocket and threw some white powder into Goldstein's face, blinding him. The robber then grabbed the tray with the rings and like a flash was out of the store. Goldstein ran to the door and began yelling for the police. Many citizens were passing the store at the time several took after the fleeing robber, who made tracks south on Howard street. At the Northern Pacific railway crossing the robber dodged under a moving train and before his pursuers could follow he had disappeared in the darkness up the track.

Dornberg says that two hours before the robbery two men came in to look at diamond rings, and after they went out he suspected that they were crooks. When he left for supper he cautioned Goldstein that if any one came in to look at diamonds to inform them that there was none in the store.

From the description given of the robber by the clerk, Dornberg says he was one of the two men in the store before. The robber is known to the police and it is believed that it will be only a short time before he is captured.

### SPOKANE'S NEW HOTEL.

**Large Four-Story Structure of Fancy White Brick.**

SPOKANE, Wash., March 17.—[Special.]—Spokane's long-looked for and much-needed hotel is about to be built. For many months the hotels of the city have been crowded to their utmost capacity, and the necessity for the erection of a new hotel building has been universally admitted. A number of parties have been figuring on putting up one, but S. & J. Rosenhaupt are ahead of all others and have about completed their arrangements. "We will build a hotel on the southeast corner of Bernard street and Riverside avenue," said Mr. Rosenhaupt. "It will probably be four stories high. Handsome white brick will be used in its construction. The building will be 100 feet on Riverside and 100 feet on Bernard. Work begins on the building in April or May, probably early in May." When it will run the hotel has not yet been determined upon.