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PLACER AND LODE FIGHT OVER SHAMROCK PLACER CLAIM CONTINUED IN SUPREME COURT.

EVIDENCE OF CLAIMANT CLOSER—CASE FOR THE DEFENCE BEGUN.

The case of Tanghe vs. Morgan et al. was before the supreme court all day yesterday, and will be resumed when court opens today.

Tanghe resumed the stand when court opened. His evidence described the staking of the Shamrock placer claim, on which plaintiff declared he found float, boulders of quartz and gold-bearing gravel.

No other witnesses were called for the plaintiff. Robert Hodge moved for the dismissal of the case as against his clients, the Great Northern Mines, and the court granted the order.

At the end of the day, the court adjourned for the day, and will be resumed this morning.

WARDING BY REACHING A FINE SEVEN-FOOT seam of hard coal which burns clear and bright. The development of the new mine will be rushed. The water is now quite under control and the work is proceeding continuously. There are three shafts daily.

"There will be no strike here." These were the words of Superintendent Thomas Russell, of the Western Fuel company, when asked for the facts underlying the report which appeared in the Ladysmith Recorder that trouble was anticipated between the Western Fuel company and its men.

Nicholas Tregear, manager of the Lenora mine at Mount Sicker, is very well satisfied with the outlook at the various island mining camps. Recently he visited Quatsino and inspected the work being carried out on the island property under the control of Messrs. Green and Bellinger.

S. Thornton Langley, well known in the early days in Rossland and Spokane as a mining broker, charges Captain Richard Chilcott with having unlawfully abstracted from his office a valuable option given to Langley to sell the stock of the Valdez, Copper River & Tanana Railroad company.

W' STANEAN' BESOM CURLERS ELECTED CLUB SKIPS LAST NIGHT AT THE MEETING.

The curlers are off for the season in earnest, the club having been divided into rinks for the season last night. These preliminaries being disposed of and the ice in good shape, the season's play will be commenced in earnest without further delay.

The club elect drew for rinks, and the drawing by the president's cup was proceeded with, the joint results being: C. R. Davis, H. Luff; A. McMillan, J. Anderson; L. Bruce, Garfield Tonkin; Dr. Campbell, H. W. Watson.

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Recently the Wellington Colliery company struck anthracite coal in No. 7 mine, Cumberland, where it has been driving a slope for many months, encountering serious difficulties with water and quicksand. It is now re-

WAS ORE SWITCHED? TANGHE SAYS TWO LOTS OF ORE WERE ENTIRELY DIFFERENT.

INTERESTING POINT RAISED IN TANGHE VS. MORGAN CASE.

The submission of evidence in the Tanghe vs. Morgan et al. case in the supreme court was completed here yesterday evening. This morning counsel will address the court, concluding the hearing.

Witness was cross-examined at some length by Mr. MacNeill for the plaintiff as to whether or not rock picked up down the hill from the "big showing" was not float.

W. B. Pool, who is also in town, refused to discuss the conduct of the Record, except to say that any attempt on the part of any paper to blackmail him or his business associates would certainly be futile.

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Alfred McMillan, of Rossland, testified that he was familiar with gold ground in Ladysmith, and that the Lucky Jack at the point where the Shamrock placer claim intruded was not placer ground. Witness gave an opinion as to what constituted placer ground, and this was radically different from the Shamrock ground.

John Dean, H. McIntosh, H. G. Oliver, H. H. Smith, R. Ross Thompson, L. A. Campbell, W. H. G. Phlipps, T. L. Dunn.

For the plaintiff Mr. MacNeill contended the powers granted a gold commissioner under the Placer Act did not authorize him to change posts or boundaries, as had been done in the case of the Shamrock claim, nor was it the intention of the legislature to place such powers in the hands of gold commissioners. Counsel attacked the good faith of the gold commissioner in the matter and laid stress on the fact that the gold commissioner seemed to regard the plaintiff as having no rights at all under the Placer Act.

Poplar Creek Men Comment on a Coast Paper's Reflections. E. M. Morgan and P. H. O'Connor, the locators of the Lucky Jack mine at Poplar Creek, are in the city attending the sitting of the supreme court. Their attention having been directed to certain disparaging remarks in the British Columbia Mining Record concerning the Lucky Jack and the Great Northern Mines, Limited, they called at the Miner office last night to emphatically protest against the same.

BOUNDARIES, and that if this was done the plaintiff was entitled to all his rights under the Placer Act.

ANDY ANDERSON BUSTY. Stakes Big Batch of Claims in East Kootenay Coal Fields.

Andrew L. Anderson, formerly connected with the Columbia Transfer company here, and latterly resident in Spokane, has been prospecting for coal and oil in East Kootenay and has staked a number of claims for Spokane, Seattle and Rossland people.

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A FATHER'S CRUELTY. Tried in Police Court for Ill-Treating His Infant Child.

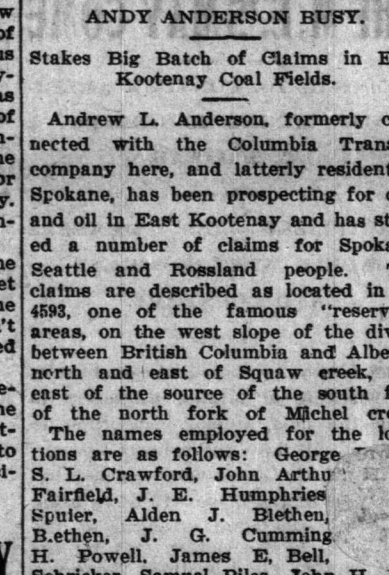
Albert Walters, a miner living on Nickel Plate Flat, was before Magistrate Nelson yesterday on the charge of beating and generally mistreating one of his children.

Walters is a young man of respectable appearance, but he has a whining, hang-dog manner. He admitted that he has abused and beaten his children from time to time and to having struck his wife. He accounts for his inhuman and dastardly conduct by saying that he cannot help getting into a passion. He expressed himself as repentant, and said he was sorry for his mother's sake for what had occurred.

BOUNDARY OUTPUT. A Substantial Increase in the Tonnage for November.

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NEWS OF THE COAST

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REDUCING WAGES. Steel Corporation Proposes Make a Big Cut.

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OR. Dec. 14.—The state department today by a leading official United States Steel Corporation beginning Jan. 1, 1909, about 10 per cent of the employees of the cor-

WORK VISIT ITALY. Loubet to Spend Six Days in the Country.

Dec. 14.—It is semi-officially that M. Loubet, president of the republic, will pay a visit to the coast of Italy from April 6th to 14th.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Two one-pound sticks of dynamite, with fulminating caps and fuses attached, were found today by laborers in the Aker Merrin and Condit building in process of construction at Forty-third street and Broadway. Mysterious explosions occurred yesterday in this building and the Broadway tabernacle nearby, the contractors on which have been employing members of the new housewives' union, formed some time ago in opposition to the union to which Sam Parks was walking delegate.

THE BEST INVESTMENT IN ROSSLAND—AN ADVERTISEMENT IN THE ROSSLAND MINER.