E. S. Biden, J. A. Smith, James on, Al. Traunweiser and A. M. n to negotiate with Mr. Buckles purchase of his land, and to or- a racing association.

Grand Forks foundry, established o months ago, is so crowded with that it is compelled to work over. Recently it has been casting iron twelve feet long for structural s.

GREENWOOD.

ew Leamy, the newly appointed court judge for the district of ay, was on Monday night ban- at the Hotel Armstrong by mem- the local bar. Judge Leamy y opened court on Monday morn- was the recipient of an address gratulations on his appointment bench.

CHILLIWACK.

Magistrate Pelly sentenced six here to fines the other day for s of the law against indulgence icants. The chief offender had $10, the others $5 each.

endid hay crop is reported from lake.

NANAIMO.

Free Press announces that the line has been graded from Gillis the Poxton and Prescott mines, island, and two locomotives or- ith other rolling stock. The load- arves and bunkers are being built bay. The railway will be in opera- fore winter. Marble Bay mine is full blast, with five drill cons at work.

REVELSTOKE.

meeting of the directors of the Victoria Hospital Association it nally decided to close with an ade by Judge Sproat as agent for rwell townsite of the whole of for the sum of $1,000. This situated immediately opposite the tel, between First street and the . Its south boundary is Govern- oad. The whole block comprises acre of land.

FERGUSON.

Sunday Isidore Cague, a well French-Canadian prospector, nto Ferguson from Ten Mile, at uth of Gainer creek, with $500 f nuggets and dust, which he had out of the creek at that point, f the gold was fine and the bal- nuggets, some of them going as as an ounce apiece or even more. lieved that this amount only repre- a portion of the gold washed by gue in the creek.

GOLDEN.

the meeting of the A. A. A. in bia hall, another was held for the e of forming a Game Protection ation. Mr. Griffith, who was as chairman, explained that Mr. n had been appointed game war- the district of Northeast Koot- and wished to have an association here, the members of which assist him in the protection of me of the district from slaughter season. The following were elect- acclamation: President, J. G. ; vice-president, C. A. Warren; ry-treasurer, W. Alexander. The- ing pledge was then prepared: the undersigned, members of the District Game Protective Asso- , hereby bind ourselves to act col- ly, as well as individually, as as- to the game warden of this dis- nd with that end in view we, and f us, shall take such measures as ring to justice any person or per- who may be guilty of an infringe- of the Game Act."

VERNON.

parations are being made to cele- Labor Day in good style. The igade have the matter in hand. The nme as outlined includes a process- vith floats, baseball and lacrosse es, athletic sports and pony races. O. Morris held a coroner's inquest mstrong in connection with the death of a woman named Dar- Zabala. She had for many years crippled by rheumatism, and lately oken of taking her life. She was under a tree near the house, moan- om pain. She was taken to her nd in the morning died. Search the tree revealed a tin of con- ted lye, and from burns on her and throat it was evident that d swallowed a quantity of this ive substance. The verdict of the was as follows: "We find that the sed, Darasia Zabala, came to her by taking a dose of alkali poison. istered by her own hand, at the nce of John Glanzer, on Wednes- the 17th of July, while temporarily ."

THE KING'S SISTER.

tion of the Dowager Empress Frederick Reported to Be Unsatisfactory.

nberg, July 29.—As a result of the of Prof. Renvers from Berlin, it is lly announced that the condition of Dowager Empress Frederick is not factory. Her Majesty has not left. partments for the last few weeks, though medical bulletins have not een issued, they may soon be ex- d Princess Henry of Prussia has at the castle on a flying visit.

one may soon come into the market. king greatly prefers Sandringham as a private residence. The maintenance borne costs about £15,000 per annum. property is a very valuable one, not ch on account of Osborne House, as se the entire estate would realize a deal for building sites.—London Truth.

BIRTHS.

ERSTON—At Slocan, on July 23rd, e wife of A. R. Bolderston, of a ughter.

MARRIED.

FOOT-MOSCROP—At Vancouver, on ly 27th, by Rev. E. E. Scott, G. E. erfoot and Miss Susie Moscrop.

ERTSON-MACKAY—At Vancouver, on ly 27th, by Rev. T. J. Matthews, W. Robertson and Miss Margaret Mac- ay.

YNE-MORRIS—At Vancouver, on July rd, Charles Brayne and Miss Lydia orris.

KWOOD-RICHIE—At Nanaimo, on July 2nd, by Rev. Dr. A. O. MacRae, Capt. Alexander Kirkwood, of the steamer linsola, and Miss Bessie Richie.

KAY-CADERBERG—At New Westmin- ter, on July 20th, by Rev. A. E. Vert, lbert Mackay and Miss Annie M. aderberg.

E-HOSKING—At Rossland, on July 23rd, by Rev. C. W. Hedley, Britten uke and Miss Millie Hosking.

DIED.

IN—At Vancouver, on July 27th, Dun- an Gavin, in his 79th year.

RKS—On the 27th inst., at 125 Quadra reet, Mirlam, beloved child of Mr. and rs. M. Marks, aged 1 year and 3 weeks.

LLISTER—At Vancouver, on July 24th, Duncan McAllister, aged 36 years.

APMAN—At Vancouver, on July 24th, Mrs. F. Chapman, aged 21 years.

NSTONE—At Nelson, on July 22nd, Virginia H. Johnstone, aged 5 years and month.

HERLAND—In this city, on the 22nd instant, William S. Sutherland, a native of Windsor, Nova Scotia, aged 29 years.

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Portland Victorious

The Speedy Four From Columbia River Carry Off Regatta Laurels.

Finish of the Great Events at Shawnigan Lake—The Banquet.

(Continued on page 5.)

Another regatta of the N. P. A. A. O. has passed away bringing its share of triumphs and disappointments to the various cities represented by crews, but with one ground of common satisfaction to all, namely, the lowering of the records of the senior fours of the association by nearly ten seconds. It could hardly be said that this was unexpected, for the course was such an excellent one that on Friday morning Dan O'Sullivan, the veteran stroke of the J. B. A. A., intimated that in his opinion the record would be pulled down to 8.40 in the seniors. As a matter of fact the time made on Saturday was a little better than that, being 8.39 by the stop watches of the official timekeepers.

The conditions were ideal for the making of a new record. The surface of the lake was quite calm with the exception of a slight ripple caused by a breeze from the land which bore down the course, thus enhancing rather than preventing the making of good time.

The three crews entered for the race were carefully aligned by the starter, Ben Gordon, after the conditions governing the race had been explained by Umpire Roberts. Mr. Roberts then asked the respective crews if they were agreeable to the race being called back if an oar broke within the first ten strokes. Portland and Victoria nodded acquiescence, but Vancouver shouted "No."

"As you will then, gentlemen," said Mr. Roberts, "once away there will be stoppages for nothing," and at that every man knew that the fight would be one to a finish.

At the crack of the pistol the three got away together, Victoria and Portland catching the water a trifle quicker than Vancouver, but the start as a whole being nearly perfect. The Victoria men were pulling 36, in which they were duplicated by Vancouver, while Portland pulled away at 32. Vancouver was rowing with strength and determination, Portland with a swing that spoke well for their training, and Victoria with the doggedness of old hands in the boats. The result was in doubt up to the last, the terrific pace at which the crews worked and the wide distance apart which they rowed rendering speculation as to the result very unsafe.

Until the boats had reached to a point opposite the saw mill and about half way down the course the blue and white of the J. B. A. A. were in front. Then the Portland stroke played his reserve card, and sent the pace up to 38. The Victoria shell was steadily overhauled, and despite the fact that they saw their opponents steadily moving up to them the local fours were powerless to advance the stroke.

There were a number of reasons for this. One was the terrific pace at which they were moving, and another was attributable to the disadvantages under which one of the local fours worked. Bridgman was afflicted with boils on his limbs which in a less plucky oarsman would have prevented his entering the competition, and which, as a matter of fact, kept him out the boat for a week shortly before the event. But the trouble had told on his stamina and little wonder that he felt unequal to a supremer effort.

As it was the result was most uncertain, the partizans of each crew feeling sure that their favorites had won. The Portland crew themselves were uncertain, and when told that they were the victors threw up their hats in glee at the result. A sportsmanlike tribute was paid the winners by the officials and the little knot of boats around the finish by three cheers and a tiger being given for them after the result and the time was announced.

Vancouver had followed Victoria in by one or two lengths, the local team being five feet behind the Portlands. Messrs. Russel, Kent, Senkler and other enthusiasts who had hoped so ardently for the triumph of their team did not attempt to disguise their disappointment, at the same time agreeing that the trophy had gone to a speedy four.

The different events were witnessed by a very large crowd, the day being so fine as to tempt many who had not formerly shown any great love for aquatic sports. While the great interest of the day centered in the senior fours there were a number of other events which excited a great deal of speculation.

Notwithstanding the offer of President Helmcken to donate a cup for competition among the juniors of Victoria, Vancouver and Nelson, owing to their disappointment of Friday, the hoped-for match failed to materialize. The Vancouver team declined absolutely to re-contest it, alleging that Portland should not have been allowed the race in the first instance.

Some of the fouling which marred Friday's events were repeated when the final lapstreaks were rowed off between Lang's and Donaldson's crews. The two boats were close to one another almost over the entire course, although fortunately they did not injure one another's boats, and were able to complete the race, Lang's crew finished in 5.18.

In the junior singles, Gloss, of Portland, outrowed T. F. Geiger, of Victoria. The Portland man had the water almost before the pistol shot, but Geiger quickly picked up the lost advantage, and for a time seemed to lead. Geiger, however, was handicapped by the fact that he had to row in a borrowed shell, and before half of the course was rowed the lead of Gloss was pronounced. Gloss bore away to the right as in the first day, but toward the finish found his course and finished, leading in 11.57½.

E. Geiger won the junior skiff race in 7.21, followed a few boat lengths behind by Pendray. W. Redfern made an unfortunate blunder in selecting his course, and bore away so pronouncedly from the proper channel as to put him out of the running. Ruddell, the fourth entry, was also outrowed.

The senior doubles were not rowed off, one of Vancouver's men being sick, and the J. B. A. A.'s having broken their boat. The race was, therefore, defaulted to Portland, thus giving that club the senior and junior fours, senior singles and doubles. It was purely Portland's regatta.

The smaller events were pulled off under the direction of J. S. Yates in the bay while the longer races were being rowed in the lake. These were decided as follows:

Peterboro Singles.—1, L. Yorke, Victoria; 2, Spinks, Vancouver.

Peterboro, Four Blades.—1, Yorke Bros., Patton and Gore, Victoria; 2, Spinks, Lafferty and Hensley, Vancouver; and Winter, Nelson.

Peterboro Tandem.—1, Yorke Bros., Victoria; 2, Henderson and Lang, Victoria; 3, Pendray and McNeill, Victoria.

Upset Canoe.—1, Spinks, Vancouver. Pendray and McNeill were also in the race from Victoria.

McNeill and Pendray won the tilting race from Lang and Henderson, while R. Janion won the swimming contest over Camsousa and Austen.

A band concert followed the conclusion of the regatta.

Wavelets.

The judges on the island were indebted to Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, who thoughtfully sent a generous supply of cakes, fruit and other refreshments to the lonely island, which helped to sustain the spirits of the officials in their "splendid isolation."

Some delay occurred in starting the races, owing to the lateness of the train from the city on which were many of the officials.

Victoria was strictly out of it in the association events, but had things her own way in the club ones.

One of the regrets of the regatta from a Victoria standpoint was the losing of the $250 cup of Walker & Sons, the Canadian Club Trophy.

For the spectators the canoe events gave more amusement than the big races.

The finest trophy of the meet was undoubtedly that for which the association is indebted to Walker & Sons of Walkerville. This great firm has done much to encourage sport in the West by the splendid trophies they have placed in competition, but their last is a particularly fine one. It cost about $250, and constitutes a prize for which any club would be proud to compete. On Saturday it occupied a prominent place in the rotunda of the hotel and throughout the day was the centre of an admiring group. The cup was obtained through the representations of Ben Gordon, Walker's representative on the coast, and bears the inscription "Canadian Club Trophy: Presented by Messrs. Hiram Walker & Sons, Walkerville, to the N. P. A. A. O. for the Senior Four-Oared Race. The cup to become the property of a club winning it three times."

Visitors Entertained.

The J. B. A. A. on Saturday evening entertained the visiting oarsmen and those officially connected with the regatta. The banquet was held in the Knights of Pythias' hall, four tables being spread, under the charge of E. E. Leeson.

President H. D. Helmcken, at the head of the table, had on his right Hon. A. E. Smith, United States consul; H. W. Kent, secretary of the N. P. A. A. O.; Capt. J. W. Troup and George Bushby, judges, and on his left Capt. Stiles, stroke of the Portland senior four; Capt. Dan O'Sullivan, the well known stroke of the J. B. A. A. seniors. Letters of regret at not being able to be present were received from the Lieut.-Governor, J. A. Fullerton and B. Gordon.

After full justice had been done to the viands provided, the toast of the King was drunk, the former to "God Save the King" and the latter to "The Star Spangled Banner."

President Helmcken spoke highly of the work accomplished by the Portland oarsmen.

United States Consul Smith, in replying, said that the people of the United States as well as their President had been complimented in the manner in which the toast had been honored. He had always been impressed with the loyalty shown by the people of Canada.

They had nevertheless always shown a friendly spirit towards the United States. He was struck with the sight of oarsmen from two nations engaged in friendly contests at Shawnigan. The Portland crew had shown persistency, and for four years had endeavored to win the cup which had now gone to them.

After songs by Messrs. Winters, of Nelson, and Bushby, of Vancouver, the prizes were presented to the winners.

In the absence of His Honer the Lieut.-Governor, President Helmcken performed that ceremony. Before making the presentations he said that the J. B. A. A. had hoped to win in the races, but they did not begrudge the Portlands the result of their well-earned race.

E. Gloss, of Portland, winner of the junior singles, was the first to receive his prize, and then the Portland junior four. Capt. Hart, of Portland, in replying, said they were well pleased with the treatment accorded them at the regatta. The Springer brothers, of Vancouver, were absent, and their prizes were given to Secretary Kent for them. W. Patton, of Portland, was given his prize for the senior single, who replied very facetiously. The big cup presented by Hiram Walker & Co. was filled to the brim with wine, and after being passed around was presented to the Portland seniors. Capt. Stiles, the stroke of the winning crew, replied, speaking well of the sportsmanlike spirit shown by the Victoria oarsmen.

Dan O'Sullivan spoke briefly for the Victoria crew.

Messrs. Lamberson and Stiles, of Portland, were presented with the senior doubles' prize. The former lamented that there had been no contest, and offered to row a race with Vancouver on the following day. The challenge was readily accepted by H. W. Kent, for the Vancouver crew.

The banquet closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the King."

A MISSIONARY'S TASK.

Splendid Work of Rev. Mr. Stone on the West Coast.

Among the passengers who came down from the West Coast on the Queen City on Sunday were Rev. W. J. Stone, Methodist missionary at Clo-oose, and Harold Sands, editor of the Vancouver World. The latter and his wife have just spent a few days at Clo-oose as the guests of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Stone.

Mr. Sands speaks in high terms of praise at the splendid work which the Methodist missionary is doing among the Nitinat Indians. Mr. Stone was the first missionary to go and reside among the tribe, and he has labored among them now for close upon a decade.

"The Nitinat tribe," said Mr. Sands, "numbers about 200 now, and over half may, as a result of Mr Stone's heroic work, be called Christians. The heathen element still, however, has much power and Mr. Stone has a hard fight before him to win over those who still cling to their old terrible customs. The missionary also has sometimes to counteract the doings of white men, and altogether is called upon to play a trying part. But if all the missionaries of the Methodist church are like Mr. Stone that denomination is to be congratulated upon the kind of men which it has enrolled in its service.

"I have mentioned that there are about 200 Indians in the Nitinat tribe. But they are not all gathered around the door of the parsonage at Clo-oose. Mr. Stone has his work cut out in attending to the spiritual needs of the tribe, for it is divided into three portions—half of it can be found at Clo-oose, a part at the reserve at the mouth of the Nitinat river, two miles further up the coast, and the remainder just this side of Carmanah lighthouse. Mr. Stone has to visit the Indians at the three places. Just now the majority of the Indians are fishing on the Fraser river, and Mr. Stone is now on his way to Ladner, to continue his work among them.

"That is a characteristic of these successful missionaries—they never let go. Every fishing season Mr. Stone goes down to the Fraser with his charges to exert his splendid influence over them. Whiskey and other vices are strong foes which the missionaries have to fight when attempting to win the Indians from filth, degradation and heathenism. So Mr. Stone, and others like him, do not take a holiday when the Indians go to fish; they follow the red men and help them from slipping back.

"Talking of fish, I saw my first newspaper for a week, yesterday, and noticed that the boats on the Fraser only got 20 salmon all Saturday night. Old Sehap got more than that in an hour while trolling off Clo-oose. He went out bright and early on Saturday morning in his canoe about 5 o'clock, and when I came down to breakfast the old Indian had 38, and still they were coming. On the way down the passengers on the Queen City could see the fish in the waters of the Straits, I might say by hundreds.

"If any one wants a splendid holiday—an entire change from city work—I advise him to take the C. P. N. Co.'s West Coast boat and spend a few days either making the round trip or stopping off at some place like Clo-oose. The West Coast people are hospitable, the C. P. N. makes the trip enjoyable, and the officers on the Queen City are as capable a lot of men as go 'steamboating' anywhere. A week on the West Coast is a delight that anyone may take. A few of those on the Queen City made the round trip, and from all I heard they enjoyed it immensely."

LEGAL NEWS.

Bales Appeal Against Assessment Allowed—Chambers List Heard Before Mr. Justice Drake.

This morning in Bales v. Assessment Act an appeal made by the defendant was allowed by Mr. Justice Drake. In view of the recent judgment given in the case no defence was made.

Costs were fixed at $20.

In Chambers Mr. Justice Drake disposed of the following applications:

Geigerich v. Bill et al.—Application for sale of land. Allowed to stand over.

Menzies Street v. Widening By-Law re Medina estate.—Adjourned to 31st inst., question of costs reserved.

Reay v. Reay et al.—Application for partition of property. Order made.

B. C. Land & Investment Agency v. Jeffrey.—Application for examination of judgment debtor abandoned.

Estate of W. S. Sutherland.—Application for letters of administration. Official administrator appointed on filing further affidavits that no next of kin are in the province.

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First From St. Michaels

Steamer Susie Reaches Dawson From Down the River—Beats All Rivals.

Islander and Danube Arrived on Sunday With Treasure—Northern News Budget.

Advices were brought from the North by the C. P. N. steamers Islander and Danube on Sunday that the river steamer Susie has arrived at Dawson from the mouth of the Yukon, reaching port on the 25th and beating all other vessels in the race for the Klondike Mecca with freight and passengers transferred from the ocean steamers. The Susie had 450 tons of cargo, and her arrival means that the ice which was reported to have blocked the mouth of the river has long since disappeared, and that steamers are having no difficulty in navigating the water.

Both the Islander and Danube brought large quantities of gold, the former having, with what was in possession of her passengers and Purser Bishop, about $70,000. She called as usual at Vancouver on her way down, and landed all her passengers for that place or points beyond on the provincial Mainland. The major number of those arriving on her were Americans, a fact which speaks much for the popularity of the Canadian clipper boats. The list is as follows: R. Wagner, T. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Bredinstein, Miss Corrd, Mrs. R. J. Burke, B. Dumler, Rev. Howell, K. J. Goepell, M. Christy, C. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Stemm, J. Hepburne, H. H. Stewart and wife, Mrs. and Miss Williams and boy, Mrs. T. A. McGowan, S. C. Curry, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Green, F. F. Burns, A. Butler, W. Butler, J. Sundgrist, U. St. Onge, M. C. Deamers, E. J. McFeeley, G. Lamara, F. D. Demares, Miss V. Demus, C. Peterson, O. Larsen, C. S. Nelson, Miss Rosie, H. B. Gilmore, Mr. Wilson, W. S. McConnell, H. J. McColl, R. Wallace, C. S. Andrews, Mrs. Lawrence, M. Kinshmenna, J. King, G. W. Argo, Miss Pickam, E. Sands, A. Hambell and Mr. Miller.

The Vancouver bound passengers on the steamer Danube were transferred to the steamer Princess Louise at Comox and taken on to their destination. Those who came south on the Danube were: James Pender, Saml. McKay, D. Deschener, Fred. S. Roumage, W. Howey, C. Ellis, J. Rirch, Andrew Hart, Mrs. A. Michons, E. Bouchard, F. E. Davidson, Q. F. Kastmer, H. Casey, A. Hunt and T. Proteau.

News is given by northern arrivals that there are eight steamers tied up at White Horse because of the diminution in the freighting and passenger business.

The cable at Five Fingers, by which the steamers draw themselves through the rapids, and which worked with such perfection last year, has caused considerable trouble this year, and several steamers have narrowly escaped destruction. Two cables have already been cut this year and the third is now causing trouble. The B. Y. N. Co. contemplates placing a large capstan above the rapids to draw the steamers through the rapids.

Several steamers have had close calls from destruction this season at Five Fingers on account of the cable not working properly. The cable is about one quarter of a mile long, and is laid through the east channel. Lately it has had a tendency to catch under rocks and in two instances has had to be cut. The steamer Zealandian had trouble with the cable this year and swung broadside through the center channel, luckily escaping uninjured.

The Flora was only saved from wreck by cutting the cable and floating down through the rapids. Several times small boats have had to wait till the more powerful ones came along and assisted them through.

One of the big Dawson traders saw his profits knocked to smithereens near White Horse a week ago.

A washout on the White Pass & Yukon caused a slight mix up to the local freight train. In the train was a carload of eggs consigned to Dawson by F. E. Skagerland, the big interior dealer.

When the wreck occurred this car bumped along on the ties for several hundred feet, then turned over. One of the passengers on the train said the car, which was a refrigerator, was righted and put back on the track, and taken to White Horse. The sight can easily be imagined.

A flood struck Mary's Igloo on June 26th and inundated the town, which had been built up in the vicinity. Several persons are reported to have drowned.

Many people took to the tops of the houses and were rescued after the water had subsided. The recorder's office was washed away, and another office was opened up about five miles further up the creek.

The body of Darbey Connelly was found on Igloo creek early in June, and was brought to Teller on the 25th. The man had started from Gold Run for Teller on March 28th, and was never seen alive afterward, having been overcome during a storm and frozen, as well as his team of dogs. The man came from Butte, Mont.

A prospector has brought news to Skagway that Dr. Moore, who left that city to join his partner in the Porcupine country, has been lost.

Development work on Clear creek in the Stewart River district is reported by recent arrivals to be showing the creek to be all that has been claimed for it. On the left fork 25 to 30 properties are being worked, and nearly every claim is paying much better than wages. So far as it has been opened up the paystreak is about 60 feet wide and comprises from two to four feet of gravel that averages about 10 cents to the pan.

There are from 75 to 100 miners at work on the left fork. Sluicing is in active progress and more men could be given work than are now available there. Most of the miners in that vicinity have property of their own and prefer to develop it rather than to work for wages. It is expected that the left fork will yield fully $250,000 this summer.

Information has been received from parties arriving from Dawson that Fred Leach and companions, who were supposed to be drowned in the Yukon near Big Salmon, are safe.

Last winter in Dawson pneumonia and other diseases claimed their victims of more than one every two days. In that city alone there were 18 funerals in December, 17 in January, 12 in February, 13 in March, and 10 in November. Other deaths occurred in parts of the territory more properly outside the Klondike camp.

Government statistics of fatality in the Yukon compiled by the N. W. M. Police show that never before in the history of the camp was the death rate less than last month. Nine deaths occurred in the Yukon territory last month, but in Dawson proper only one death from natural causes, and that from chronic consumption. Fourteen marriages and eight births were recorded.

Never in the history of the camp were there such a great number of marriages as in June, and never in the history of the camp was the general health so good as last month and during July to date.

Dawson is to have a speedway or bicycle path, extending from the city out as far as Hunker creek.

Henderson creek, which comes into the Yukon two miles below Stewart on the same side of the river, is now the mecca of all stampeders from Dawson. The whole creek has been staked, and some good prospects obtained.

J. A. Holley, who arrived at Skagway from Dawson with a $20,000 poke, says that all eyes in Dawson are now turned towards Henderson creek.

"Over $3,000 was taken out of discovery claim before it was located," said he.

"A man named McKay, and two others, discovered the creek and about twenty-six claims have been located.

"I should judge that 100 men have already left Dawson for the new find."

WANTS TO KNOW.

To the Editor: I would feel obliged if you would answer the following questions in your columns concerning that part of Cowichan electoral district locally called South Cowichan, and lying to the south of the municipality of Cowichan:

Why is it that one half of this district, with more mileage of roads than the other half, can elect their own road foreman annually, while the other half, with less mileage, has four road foremen and the people can get no authority to elect their foremen?

How is it that the foreman elected by the people can attend to more mileage and superintend a large gang of men, while it takes four government foremen to attend to the other half, with very few men each?

Why is it that the foreman, who is building the two large bridges this year and which are taking the most of the appropriations allowed for the roads in the vicinity, is employing several outsiders when settlers or capable men have to leave the district in search of work to enable them to live on their ranches?

Why is it that last year $2 per day was only paid on the roads here and that ranchers went up to South Wellington district and worked for $2.50 at the same labor for the same employer (government), and where they could live cheaper, while the married men who could not leave their homes had to do with the smaller pay and pay higher for their goods?

Why is it that all government officials (license commissioners, policemen, etc.) for this part are selected from the municipality?

Why is it that all cases (and there are a large number during the fishing season in Cowichan bay) are taken before municipality J. P's.? Are the J. P's. here not capable of attending to cases in their own district?

Why is it that several thousand acres of good but unimproved farming land here, held for speculation at an outrageously high figure, pay only a nominal tax, while improved lands pay exorbitant rates?

A. H.

Shawnigan, B. C., July 26.

HELD EXAMINATIONS.

The midsummer examination of the Victoria College of Music, London, England, was held last Saturday at the College of Music, 248 Cook street. The names of the candidates who obtained the certificates for which they tried were announced. A pass certificates cannot be obtained unless the pupil gets 60 marks out of 100, while the candidate is in the honors division on obtaining 80 marks. The visiting examiner was G. J. Burnett, FV.C.M.

The following were the successful candidates:

Primary Grade

	Points.
Atkins, Edith J.	80
Erskine, Margaret B.	80
Wills, Bessie H.	90

Junior Grade.

	Points.
Barker, Alice G.	95
Harper, Dora L.	70
Savage, Grace E.	82

Intermediate Grade.

	Points.
Bailey, Amy A.	85
Spragge, Alfred E. (violin)	83

Senior Grade.

	Points.
McConnell, John H.	70

The local secretary, A. Longfield, F. V. C. M., 248 Cook street, will furnish information as to the dates of future examinations and forms of entry.

Mining News

The Slocan.

A good strike of galena has been made on some claims just below the Payne.

The Reco people are making arrangements to start up the mine with a very full staff of miners.

The Queen Bess management are elated over their last strike, and will continue the work by a few men.

John L. Retallack, who has leased the Washington, has several men at work and more will be taken on as soon as circumstances permit. It is supposed the idle concentrator of this property will start up again before long, and the mine enter the shipping list about next fall.

Three cars of ore have been brought down from the Wonderful, and Mr. Warner says before long he will ship 10 tons daily. Stoping in two of the tunnels is going on steadily. On the Miller Creek he has several men developing in No. 1 tunnel, where a rich strike was made, as mentioned in our last issue.

The Payne company have finished the concentrating test at the Noble Five mill, but it is undecided yet whether a concentrator will be built or not. Work on the compressor plant will be commenced next week, and a considerable amount of grading will have to be done. At the mine about 30 men are working on contracts.—Sandon Mining Review.

The Lardeau.

A strike of ore was made on the Jumbo, one of last summer's locations on Canyon creek, which is of more than ordinary grade. The lead is supposed to be the same as that of the Pedro, and samples of it tested run $137 in all values.

Messrs. Anderson and Nelson have gone to do work on the Klondike, at the head of Tenderfoot creek, on which some remarkably rich ore has been discovered. Samples brought down are almost solid gray copper and will run away up in the thousands.

The Triune trail was completed last week and the packers are now busily engaged taking up lumber to the mine for the purpose of erecting a new cabin. Ferguson Bros. have six men employed under the direction of Vine Lado, and expect to ship 200 tons this season, the job of packing which will be started on by Andy Daney early next week.

D. Loughead has returned from Haskins creek where he and his partners have been doing work on the Silver Leaf group adjoining the Black Diamond. He brought with him some fine specimens of galena ore taken from the vein which has an exposure of 2½ feet of solid ore. Those who have seen the showing say it is one of the finest in the camp.

Jack Nelson has brought down from the Black Diamond, where he has been working for some time past, about forty pounds of fine ore. The mineral is solid galena and iron and runs about $80 in all values. Assays of the ore have given returns up to $17 in gold and three per cent. in copper. Where the specimens just brought in have been taken from the lead is about two feet in thickness and is solid ore.

At Camborne, in the Fish creek camp, the B. C. Gold Fields Co., who purchased the Eva gold property recently for $250,000, have a gang of twenty men at work clearing up the site for the stamp mill and cutting right-of-way for the flume. The water will be taken from about two miles up Pool creek, which gives them a head of about 400 feet. H. McPherson says the location of Gold mountain—on which all the best properties are situated—in connection with Pool creek is such, that it is possible by continuing the flume around the mountain to give power for all the mills necessary for crushing the ores brought down from the mines above. He says the situation is ideal for a cheap treatment of the ores, and expects to see a wonderful development in this part of the Lardeau within the next couple of years.

A. Rosenberger has taken an option on the group of claims owned by Messrs. A. McKay and J. B. Mackenzie for a large amount said to be $80,000. These claims are in an ideal location with lots of water power adjacent and are valuable property and great things are expected from their development. The same parties have also taken an option on the old Finch belonging to Butler and Cameron, for a good figure, this property having the best showing and well defined ore body on the west side of Fish creek.—Trout Lake Topic.

Southeast Kootenay.

Another party of expert mining men are at Perry creek experting the Badger, Red Mountain and Shakespeare claims. Several weeks ago a party examined the claims, samples were taken, which proved so satisfactory that a second and more extensive examination is now in progress. It is rumored that a French syndicate are trying to secure the property.

In the placer areas of the historic Wild Horse creek a large amount of work is being done, and it is expected that the gold output will be at least 100 per cent. more than that of 1900. Operations in quartz mining are progressing, a number of claims are now in condition to ship ore, and were the necessary means of transportation available there would be two if not three mines added to the producing mines of the district this year. The companies are now working by haudralics the gravel banks of Wild Horse creek. The Nip & Tuck property on the east side of the creek is working a bank of some 40 feet in height. A six-inch giant is at work under a pressure of not less than 200 feet head, together with three ground sluices. A Chinese company is operating a portion of the Invicta ground under lease. The ground is worked by giants and grounds sluices. The Chinese hydraulic company are working a lease on the east side of Wild Horse near the mouth of Boulder creek, and are reported to be doing good work.

As was anticipated the St. Eugene has closed down to a certain extent. The mill is not running, but the compressor is still in operation, a few machines being at work. Although a large force has been laid off, there are still some 75 or 80 men at work. The ore which was stored during the close down last winter is now being shipped in order to fill out the contract; if this ore is not sufficient, the mill will be operated until sufficient ore is obtained. Although the mine is thus partially closed down, it is possible that it will be for only a short time as repairs are being made in both mine and mill which will be in readiness for pushing the work when the mine again starts up. A contract for mining timber has also been let, and this fact indicates that as soon as the needed repairs are completed both mine and mill will be in operation.—Fort Steel Prospector.

Reply From Manager.

The managements of the big mines at Rossland have made the first definite announcement as to their intentions. The statement is contained in communications forwarded to the miners, blacksmiths and helpers, and carpenters' and joiners' unions, was as follows:

"We beg to inform you that your communication of 15th inst. has been duly referred to the respective directors of our companies, and that these directors have instructed us that they are unable to comply with the demands you have made."

It is signed by Rossland Great Western Mines, Le Roi No. 2, Le Roi Mining Co., and Kootenay Mining Co.; War Eagle, Centre Star Mining Co It is agreed that the strike will be a lengthy one.

MINERS' DEPUTATION.

They Interviewed the Premier Regarding Wages This Morning.

A deputation consisting of R. Duggan, H. G. Shepherd and Sam. Mottishaw, came down from Nanaimo yesterday to represent Extension miners in negotiations with Mr. Dunsmuir towards an increase in the pay of the men. The terms sought by the men are as follows:

1. That the miners agree to accept 75c. per ton for digging, and dig one foot of dirt free. All dirt over one foot to be paid for at the rate of $1.50 per lineal yard on a basis of 27 feet wide.

2. That no more than one helper be allowed to each miner under any circumstances.

3. Drivers and pushers to remain as at present, and Mr. Dunsmuir's offer of $2.25 for rope-riders and switchmen to be accepted.

4. This agreement to continue in force for one year from time of ratification.

The committee saw the Premier this morning, and the interview is understood to have been satisfactory, being marked by a desire for conciliation on both sides. Another meeting is set for this afternoon.

FROM THE PLAINS OF THE WEST.

News of Another Success on the Part of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

An Alberta Man Reports His Entire Satisfaction With the World Famous Remedy—Blood Disorder the Cause of His Trouble—Dodd's Kidney Pills Have Removed It and He Is Thankful.

Blairmore, Alberta, July 26.—(Special.)—Dodd's Kidney Pills are just as well thought of in the great Northwest as they are any place else in the world. The people have confidence in them. They do as they are claimed to do.

Nor is the claim a small one. Dodd's Kidney Pills are claimed to cure some of the most dangerous and deadly maladies that flesh is heir to, and what is more they do it. The proof is positive. Thousands and thousands of reputable people attest it.

For instance every one knows Bright's Disease at one time meant the sentence of death. Does it now? Ask Arthur Colely, of Somerset, Man. He was cured of Bright's Disease, the last stages of it, by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure the lesser disorders of the human system arising from Kidney Disease with just as much certainty and an even greater promptness. Of these, Skin Eruptions, such as Boils and Pimples, arising from an impure state of the blood, are not the most uncommon or the least distressing. Dodd's Kidney Pills, by improving the action of the Kidneys, purify the blood, and Boils and Pimples immediately disappear.

Walter H. A. Noble, of Blairmore, Alberta, writes in this connection: "I had been troubled with Pimples all over my face, and Backache. I tried everything to cure it, all kinds of medicine, but failed.

"I was told to try Dodd's Kidney Pills and did so at once. I got three boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and took one after every meal. They cured me. They are the only things that ever did me any good. I will always use Dodd's Kidney Pills in case of sickness and advise all other sufferers to do so."