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plored.

Carpenters, mechanics and laboring men will not fare as well in a mining camp as they will in the cities, and unless they have the necessary pluck and capital to go prospecting for them.

NORTHPORT SMELTER.

Northport people are considerably stirred up over the purchase of a portion of the Bishop ranch, lying along the bank of the river by Chester Lacey, the agent of Vancouver parties. Although many efforts were made to draw Mr. Lacey out as to the object of his purchase, they were all unsuccessful, as he refused to tell to what use the land would be put. Mr. Bishop was also asked as to Mr. Lacey intentions, but either did not know or would not tell.

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Of course everybody thinks there is a smelter in it, and some color is lent to this by the fact that Mr. Lacey did say that he thought Northport was the best point in the northwest to-day for a smelter, and he would be willing to gamble that a smelter would be built there before six months have gone by. Anyway Northport has taken quite a boom from all the smelter rumors that boom from all the smelter rumors that are flying around, coupled with the fact that active work has commenced on the great railroad bridge across the Columbia.

RUSH TO FORT STEELE.

Claims Taken Up in this Section of East
Kootenay.

East Kootenay in the Fort Steele
neighborhood is pushing its way to
the front as a mineral section. During
the past summer it attracted a great
many prospectors and some fine locations were made. This year the rush
will be greater than ever. The progress of the country can be seen in
the following figures: Up to 1895 the
country was very little known and no
attempt had been made to develop it.
In the summer of 1895 a few prospectors wandered in there, and inp to Jan.
1, 1896, there were located and recorded 166 mining claims. During 1896
there were 345 locations recorded,
showing an increase of over 100 per
cent. This record speaks volumes for
the district. Many of the ledges discovered are very large and have excellent showings on the surface. The

only thing East Kootenay lacks railway transportation and that bound to come in the near future.

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The Receiver of the Receiver of Rossland has bought the Slocan properties, for \$5000.

It is learned from reliable authority that a deal is on for the bonding of the Argo, a claim adjoining the town of Sandon, for \$25,000. The property is very promising and has had some 300 feet of work done upon it.

A mining deal was consummated recently, whereby the brokerage firm of S. Norman & Co. and J. D. Farrell purchased a half-interest in the Reciprocity and Lillian claims in the Slocan district, from the original locators, J. H. Thompson and Jack Whittier, they retaining the other half.

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The shareholders of the Hamilton and Rossland Gold Mining Company (Limited) have acquired two more valuable properties known as the Iowa and Tennessee, situated in the now famous Salmon River mining district in British Columbia.

The letter just received from Mr. McCreath, the company's superintendent (an extract of which is given below), should raise the present price of stock considerably. A very few mining companies can boast of the success, this company has met with, considering the short time if thas been in existence, and it reflects very great credit on its directors and officers.

"The tunnel in the Tennessee is now in 41 feet, and is showing up exceedingly well, the ore assaying \$28 to the ton in gold, exclusive of an abundance of silver and copper. In a few days we expect to be shipping ore to the smelter at Nelson. We have been delayed through snow, but are now engaging more men to vigorously push developments.

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"The ledges or veins on these properties have a magnificent showing and bid fair to place the company on a dividend-paying basis, in a very short time. I am sending a box of ore tomorrow."

morrow."
The directors advise shareholders to hold their stock for dividends, and intending purchasers to at once secure their allotment before the price, which is very low, namely, 10 cents (for \$1 shares, fully paid and non-assessable) is advanced. Broker Boulton handles the stock here.

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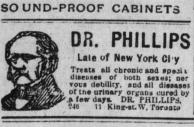
The Copper Queen, which adjoins the Mayflower on the west, and belongs Price of Shares 10 Cents.

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368,700,900 cubic yards. The Company has secured an abundant water supply (5000 miners' inches), which can be brought across the property at the exceptionally low figure of \$12,000.

The dumping ground is good.

Last December Mr. J. W. Tyrrell, C.E., inspected the property, and the following are the concluding remarks of his report, which appears in the prospectus:

"In conclusion, I am pleased to be able to state that, after careful examination, it is my opinion that in many respects your property is unequalled as a placer mine in the Province of British Columbia."

EXTRAORDINARY STATEMENT

John B. Hobson, a California Mining Engineer of wide experience, now Manager of the Cariboo Hydraulic and Horsefly Hydraulic Mines in British Columbia, states that \$60,000,000 in gold have up to the present been turned out of the placer mines of British Columbia, and adds:—"I do not hesitate to predict that the day is not far distant when the gold output from the auriferous placers of British Columbia will not only surprise Canadians, but will astonish the civilized world." The Cariboo Hydraulic Company's \$5 shares are saleable in Toronto now at \$12, and the Company is increasing its capital from \$500,000 to \$5,000,000.

THE COMPANY OFFER PREFERRED STOCK.

The Company has decided to offer a limited quantity of the preferred stock to the public at one dollar pershare fully paid and non-assessable, for the purpose of providing for the construction of the several works, the necessary plant for the operating of the mine, and the payment of the preliminary and incidental expenses.

This PREFERRED stock will be sold on the following conditions: The \$400,000 of common stock paid to the vendors is to be pooled and cannot be offered for sale until the preferential shares are redeemed or recalled.

The Company shall have the privilege, as soon as they have an amount in the Treasury derived from the mine equal to the par value of the preferred stock disposed of, as aforesaid, to call in the preferred stock by paying par for it with interest at six per cent, per annum from the time of sale; but, should the holders prefer, they shall have the option of exchanging their preferred stock for common stock at the rate of six shares of common s.ock for every five shares of preferred stock. In order to secure this end no dividends will be paid on any stock until the preferred stock is recalled or disposed of as aforesaid.

ADDITIONAL ADVANTACES.

As soon as the Company shall have paid dividends equal to 50 per cent. of the capital stock, the directors may then divide any Treasury stock remaining amongst all the stockholders of the Company in proportion to their respective holdings. These terms are the most favorable yet offered in any prospectus which I have seen.

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The River Range Oil Co.'y has been organized to drill for of 74 acres in the oil belt, and a contract has been let for sinking the first well. The Company's property comprises the east MINING STOCKS. half of the farm owned by Mr. George Swallwell, facing on the river. Various companies are drilling on each side of the Company's lot, and splendid wells have been struck. The most valuable property so far discovered is that of Messrs. Carmen and Fairbank, who are shipping 150 barrels of oil daily from a few wells. One of their wells has pumped 50 barrels a day continuously since it was drilled in August last. On the lot immediately west of the Company's property the Cleveland Oil Co.'y have sunk two wells, which together average 15 barrels daily. Mr. Ramsey, representing the Olean (N.Y.) Oil Co.'y, is drilling on the lot immediately east of the Comor desiring to purchase in Rossland. Mining Snaps foto-Day pany's. On the lot next further east Mr. J. R. Minhinnick, London, has struck a good well and has let the contract for sinking five more on the same lot. The Swallwell farm is in the centre of the oil belt. There is great activity in the district. Some 40 rigs are engaged drilling for oil, and all the desirable property has been secured by Canadian and American oil operators.

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