L. S. Bowerman and Rev. W. C. were the principal speakers, speak. the Bible, objects, motives and for giving.

evening Mrs. J. A. Fessegue report on foreign missions and lowed by Mr. J. Southerland paper "World-wide Mission as a for Investment." Rev. Cole ex- Why the churches need such a nd Evangelist Cairns explained ations of such investment to the listic power.

afternoon the session was given the women and the evening ses- the young people and the Bible

CANADIAN GLEANINGS.

to, June 8.—Hugh Miller and wife ted their golden wedding to-day, e occasion was taken advantage of Caledonian Society to make Mr. an honorary member, an honor pre- conferred on only two persons, the lexander Mackenzie and Sir David rson.

peg, June 8.—At the annual meet the Winnipeg section of the Cana- ankers' Association to-day, F. H. manager of the Canadian Bank of rce, was elected chairman for the year and M. D. Simpson, of the f B. N. A., secretary.

Dr. Moore is mentioned as the new tor of the Presbyterian General As- which meets here this week. He obably receive the office by accla-

is badly needed for the crops in n district. In the Northwest the r is somewhat cold, and rain would y acceptable. Farmers, however, e anxious, and crops are looking

Northwest Supreme Court is in ses- Regina. The judges have decided e protest against Mr. Davin's elec- West Assiniboia shall be heard be- August 10th and 30th, the exact date xed on the rising of parliament.

White, press agent of the Domin- migration department, states that ments are just being completed for rsion trip by the Illinois Press As- n through the Canadian West dur- next month or August. They will y take the C. P. R. at Port Arthur it various points of interest as far Pacific coast.

. Cochrane, Dominion veterinarian, L. Jarvis, secretary of the Depart- f Agriculture, left here to-day on a inspection through the Alberta

GITATION WILL CEASE.

nipeg, June 10.—Discussing cur- mors as to the future attitude of tholic church toward the Mani- hool law, a Free Press reporter lay informed by a gentleman who ken a prominent part in the con- y that the agitation will cease, lying on assurances of members government that the regulations rrying out the provisions of the ill be given a liberal interpreta- he dignitaries of the church will from further opposition. "His the Archbishop of St. Boniface t yet nominated a representative advisory board," added the gen- "but it is understood he will do r, and that on the reassembling he summer holidays many addi- Roman Catholic children will be d in the public schools. There ecided change in sentiment, and rotestants and Catholics are de- of promoting every effort for con- n, and this spirit has largely bend- he present aspect of the matter." Free Press informant said he did sume that local separate schools be immediately abandoned, but uple of years he expected to see ll assimilated in the public school and he had reason to believe the authorities appreciated the situ- nd would increase the number of Catholic teachers on the staff.

Merry del Val said mass this g at the Immaculate Conception and inspected the parish church At 10 o'clock he left for St. Nor- eing accompanied by Archbishop in and twelve priests. He will he schools and will spend a short ith Rev. Father Ritchot. Up- of 1,200 people attended the re- given by his excellency last g in St. Boniface. Despite the any Winnipeggers attended.

AN IMPORTANT MOVE.

ax, June 9.—Referring to a gton dispatch announcing that nited States cruiser Marblehead lled for Nova Scotia waters to Gloucester fishing vessels de- g the nets of fishermen along the Scotia coast, the Evening Mails, city, says:

dispatch indicates an important n the part of the United States nent. While the ostensible rea- the dispatch of the Marblehead protection of Canadian fishermen, nion is generally expressed that l object of the cruiser's extraor- mission is to prevent if possible ons of the Frederick Gerring

f a United States warship cruis- Nova Scotia waters, the interna- situation respecting the three-mile comes almost a delicate question. ar the Marblehead would inter- at all, with the seizure of a ster vessel found fishing inside the ile limit is a question the solu- which can only be imagined. ay be that Vice Admiral Erskine e fit to detail a warship to keep rblehead company. As compared he Crescent, the United States is not in it. The Crescent is a deck protected cruiser; she is rewed, fore and aft rigged, 7,700 ement, 12,000 horse power, 19½ peed. The crew of the Crescent bers the Marblehead's crew near- to one. The Marblehead is a 17½ essel, 5,400 horse power, and is arly so well armed as the Cres-

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British Columbia.

KASLO.

The Kootenaian.

Frank Watson says there is now $10,000 worth of ore on the dump of the Arlington awaiting shipment.

The owners of the Montezuma have let a contract for 500 feet of tunnel. When completed it will tap the vein 320 feet below the present lowest workings. Six men are now at work on three eight hour shift. It is proposed in a short time to install a three-drill compressor, which will be operated by water power from a stream near the mouth of the tunnel.

T. J. Lendrum of Ainsworth was in the city on Wednesday. He says that 1,700 sacks of ore from the Little Phil and Black Diamond was on the dump ready for shipment. An important strike has been made on the north of Coffee creek, ten miles west of Ainsworth, by William Montort. In this claim Mr. Lendrum is largely interested. The claims about Ainsworth are all being extensively developed.

GOLDEN.

Golden Era.

W. McNeish and T. Jones have sold the Hidden Treasure and Giant to W. R. Cowell for $10,000.

A party of prospectors from Canmore has gone to work the Quartz creek country near Donald.

We are informed that some of the most most promising country in the Columbia valley is that adjacent to the Blackwater, north of Donald. The float in the Blackwater is said to afford some of the best indications in British Columbia.

W. McNeish is interested in the Whistler claim in McMurdo district. This claim is alongside the Favorite and the International and the ore is a high grade galena, carrying both gold and silver. Some of the claims in this locality have assayed as much as four ounces of gold per ton.

The following transactions were recorded at Golden for May: Favorite, sold by G. A. Starke, Sandon, to C. D. Kaumell, Kaslo, for $500; Rose, by A. Granger to R. Granger; Jumbo, by J. J. Kane to F. C. Lang; Hortense and Agnes by P. Watelet to T. Mercier; Magda and France by H. E. Langis to T. Mercier.

In the Donald mining division there are now 11 locations at Prairie mountain, the ores showing gold, copper and galena. There are 14 claims at Badger creek known as the Badger Creek Group. Six locations are registered on the Beaver and four locations on Quartz creek, the ore being freemilling. The Bald Mountain group, which has the enormous capitalization of $2,500,000, is at the head of Old Man Creek.

19 licenses were issued by recorder Surrett at Donald for May.

We understand the Swansea copper claim at Windermere has been sold.

It is reported that Sam Wilson has sold his claim at Ottertail for $6,000.

One of the most favorably situated mines east of Golden is the Sunday, which is located alongside the railway on Ottertail, and was recently bonded by H. R. Moodie. It carries copper, galena and lead. The first assay ran 63 ounces silver, 81 per cent. lead and 5 per cent. of copper per ton. The mine is under bond and work will be vigorously pushed on. The Anglo-Canadian Mining Exchange is doing some work in the vicinity.

Jim White, owner of the Buckskin and Helen D claims in the Cariboo Basin, is the earliest prospector in this part of the country at the present time. It is 10 years since he located these claims and he has done with his own hands about $1,200 worth of development work on them. He has put in two tunnels, one 60 feet and the other 40 feet. Where the lead has been cut in the Helen D it is five feet wide. The third claim of the above group is the Mountain View, owned by A. F. Macaulay. The lead runs through the three claims and has given assays of from $7 to $17 per ton. The last assay ran $186 in gold, silver and copper. The lodge is a quartz and cuts through a slate formation.

A correspondent writes: The East Kootenay has startled the repose of the Windermere ranchers. There has been no such stir in this region since the old placer excitement. In Toby creek above there must be over 30 prospectors, and there will surely be some rich finds this season. Even the mining recorder looks alert and is hourly expecting a prospector to come in and record a claim. On Monday night last Messrs. Nelson and MacKay came in from the south and caused considerable excitement by showing rock they had obtained from three ledges found within a few miles of the Jumbo claim, and consisting of grey copper and galena, apparently of a very high grade. They took off a galena ledge upon which there are thousand tons of ore in sight. No doubts that this is likely to be one of the biggest things yet struck in East Kootenay.

REVELSTOKE.

Kootenay Mail.

Six new cases of diphtheria have been reported this week and the scare has somewhat abated. The physicians are loud in their praise of the anti-toxine treatment, and to it is attributed the arrestment of the disease, which, at first, was feared would prove epidemic.

Shifts are at work on the property of the Canyon Creek Mining and Development Company at Cariboo Creek and so far the results are very satisfactory. Mr. Muirhead, manager, brought down average samples amounting to 100 pounds of very rich looking ore to be shipped to Toronto for assay. A new lead has just been struck on the property, nearly all of it being shipping ore. It assays from $52 to $90 per ton in gold and silver.

Most encouraging reports are received from the development work on the Carnes Creek Company's properties, situated on Carnes Creek, Big Bend. The pay streak is widening, and is about two feet, and the quality of the ore is greatly improved. The tunnel is now in more than 50 feet. Assays have returned from $44 to $58 per ton in gold, while assays last fall gave $18 to $22. I T. Brewster, manager for the Company, returned Saturday from a trip of inspection. He expressed himself as well pleased with the progress made, and is satisfied that the present showings augur a splendid future for this property. They intend to get out a carload of ore as soon as possible to make a smelter test.

Prof. Robertson, of the Dominion department of agriculture, was in town Saturday inspecting the cold storage building being erected here by the federal government, and expressed himself as well pleased with it. The creameries in the territories were found unprofitable for the farmer from various causes, and the government took hold of the management of them, placing Prof. Robertson in charge. He recognized that Kootenay afforded a great and growing market for their output, and last fall recommended that a cold storage warehouse be built and selected Revelstoke as the site. The local board of trade having previously asked for such accommodation. His recommendation was immediately acted upon with he result that, he says, they have accommodations for handling about 15,000 lbs. of butter, besides being able to afford storage to British Columbia fruit shippers and others who may wish to avail themselves of its conveniences to store perishable goods, for which a small charge will be made. Prof. Robertson expects great results from the enterprise in the way of opening up new markets. The scheme is not undertaken as a revenue producer, but will be run on a basis to be self-supporting, which Prof. Robertson expects it certainly will be after the first year. Mr. Grindley has been placed in charge of the local establishment, and besides its management he will act as a general trade agent in the matter of promoting inter-provincial trade generally.

ROSSLAND.

Rossland Miner.

The Monita company held a special meeting yesterday to arrange for resuming work in the mine. It was decided to move the machinery to the old Pilgrim shaft, near the west end of the War Eagle, and continue the sinking of this shaft to the 200-foot level, it now being down 62 feet. This will give a depth equal to the No. 3 level on the War Eagle. The work of moving the machinery will be begun to-day.

New strikes on the Sunset No. 2 are looking very fine. A shaft has been started on the hanging wall of the vein uncovered last week, and is now down about 10 feet, the ore being left on the footwall. The ore is very rich in copper. Repeated assays show it to run to over 20 per cent. The solid ore appears to be about 12 inches wide, although it is widening at the bottom. The last find is 200 feet south of the one made last week. The ore body here seems to be between three and four feet wide. No shots have yet been put in, but the vein has been stripped for 20 feet, and the showing is magnificent. It is one of the best ever seen in the camp. There is some copper in the ore, but not so much as the first find made.

The article in yesterday morning's Miner on the O. K. mine has had the effect of bringing out certain facts which will be of some interest, and perhaps of some value, to the shareholders of the company. It now appears that J. L. Warner resigned the management of the property more than a week ago, and that H. W. Goodhue has been elected manager in his place. Things have not been running in a satisfactory manner at the mine for some time. Several of the large stockholders from Seattle paid a visit to the property recently, and they very forcibly expressed their dissatisfaction with the was things were being conducted. The result was J. L. Warner handed in his resignation as manager. As the board of directors had several vacancies a reorganization of the board followed, with the result that there is a new deal all around. Mr. Goodhue, the new manager, came up from Spokane on Wednesday. He called at the Miner office yesterday and made the following statement about the O. K. mine and mill: "It is true," he said, "the mine and mill have been closed down this week. We are getting ready to run through some I. X. L. ore, about 40 tons I think, and the mill will be in full blast again on Monday. In the meantime I am getting acquainted with everything about both mill and mine. I have not yet been in the mine, but I had a long talk with Mr. Newman, formerly superintendent, and I know pretty well what the situation is there. I think the mine will come out all right. I think we can soon open up some new ore bodies, and that we shall soon be running on our own ore again."

A. B. Clabon is organizing a party to go to the summit of Red mountain on Jubilee day, June 22, and build a big bonfire. Similar bonfire parties are being organized all over the British Empire.

Geo. Oleson was accidentally knocked off a barge at Arrowhead and was drowned.

John Bothen, better known as Jack McGinty, or Keno Jack, walked off the steamer Kootenay, on Lower Arrow lake Friday night and was drowned. He was an old timer in Nelson and something of a fighter.

About 40 of the men employed by the city were discharged to-day, and others will be taken on in their places. This was done to give all an equal chance of obtaining work. It has also been decided to reduce the wages of laborers on street work from $3.00 to $2.50 per day. The board of works hesitated about doing this at first, but after several meetings concluded it was the better course, both in the interests of the city and the laborers themselves.

It is a well known fact that nearly all the best locations in Trail Creek were staked by French Canadians. The Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Idaho, Iron Mask, Virginia, Enterprise, Monte Cristo, Iron Horse, Homestake, Lily May and dozens of others were owned in the first instance by natives of Quebec, who have all made comfortable fortunes from their discoveries. It now looks as though the Frenchmen were to be equally lucky on Salmon river. A. Julien and Alex. Audet have just bonded to the Hall Exploration Company, of London, England, for $70,000, the largest price paid in this province for a single prospect, the Blackcock on Wild Horse creek. Julien and Audet staked the claim August 1st, 1896. They did a little work on the claim that fall, enough to satisfy themselves that they had discovered a good thing. This spring they resumed work on it, and now have a shaft sung 30 feet on the foot wall of the ledge. This shows 11 feet of ore, which assays from $60 to $87 in gold, about 12 ounces in silver and 18 per cent. in lead. No hanging wall is yet in sight, and it is purely a matter of conjecture how wide the vein is. The ore is galena in a quartz matrix, carrying a little copper and a fair recentage of iron in the form of pyrrhotite.

Rossland, June 8.—Father Lemay, Rossland's Roman Catholic priest, died rather suddenly this afternoon at 4 o'clock. He was stricken down several weeks ago with paralysis and had apparently recovered his strength. On Saturday he paid a visit to Trail and caught a bad cold, which settled in his throat. His medical attendants, seeing that only heroic measures would save his life, performed the operation of tracheotomy, but it seen as soon as the incision was made that there was no hope of saving him, as the inflammation had extended clear down the windpipe. He only survived the operation about half an hour.

Father Rivers, of Wisconsin, a life-long friend of Father Lemay, was with him during his last hours, as were many of his parishioners. The last sacrament of the church was administered by Father Rivers. The end was most peaceful, Father Lemay being able to talk to those about him almost to the last.

Father Lemay was 49 years of age and a native of Montreal. He was educated in St. John's College and had spent the last fifteen or sixteen years of his life in the west. The church and school which he erected here are the most fitting monuments to his life's work. He will be buried here, according to his own wishes.

NELSON.

Nelson Miner.

The J. A. Sayward Lumber Company has decided to erect a sawmill of 30,000 capacity at the southeast corner of the Bogustown tract. The plant will be put in and operated with as little delay as possible.

The Daylight mine, one of the Silver King group, commenced shipping ore to to the smelter this week and about five tons daily is coming down the tramway. The ore contains free gold and is being used in the reverberatory furnace. It is reported to average about $30 to the ton.

Forty notices were served to squatters yesterday by Government Agent Goepel with instructions to abandon and vacate the land occupied by them or to appear in court and show cause why they should not be removed. The cases were set for the week commencing June 14, and the court hopes to dispose of 12 per day.

W. R. Collins, R. B. Collins and John Tenderfoot Creek in the Trout Lake district. The first named has a contract to drive a 100 foot tunnel on the Lulu claim, owned my a Spokane company, of which J. M. Burns and H. L. Lilienthal are president and secretary.

A ledge of about eight feet of gouge matter is reported to have been found on Green mountain, a few miles on the east of Lower Arrow lake, containing considerable coarse gold, and several locations have been made. The locators are Thos. McArdie, Michael McGilvary, Wm. Coney and Dan Keoth.

Reynolds Lee and Robert Martin have discovered a strong vein of gold ore twenty feet on Sixteen Mile cheek. The second shot fired in developing the find resulted in the discovery of pay rock.

Sheppard and Thompson have located a remarkably fine prospect about six miles from the new town of Ymir. The ore is high grade peacock copper.

After working a few days a force of men doing development work on the Imperial claim, siutated near Porcupine creek, a fine body of ore has been discovered. Assays show $40 to $56 in gold, silver and copper. The property is bonded to Rossland people.

A specimen of solid galena has been obtained from the Wilbert, Snowslide and Solomon claims, siutate on the divide betwen Wild Horse Creek and Kootenay lake. The owners have refused an offer to sink a shaft on the property in return for a half interest.

Free gold has been found in the Annie May claim on Forty-Nine creek. Some of the specimens brought into Nelson this week are freely impregnated with small gold nuggets. The property, which is owned by W. G. Robinson and S. Johns, is the extension of the well known Majestic. There is also on the claim a 3 foot lead of copper ore. No assays have yet been obtained.

Two shifts of men are now employed at the Elsie mine. The streak of rich pay ore is about two and a half feet in width and assays from $89 to as high as $520. Work upon the shaft, which is now down about 50 feet has suspended for the time being on account of the great amount of surface water. To obviate this a tunnel is being run to tap the lead at a depth of about 115 feet, and under the present shaft. This tunnel, which is now in a distance of 110 feet, must be driven another 190 feet to reach the lead.

Assays of rock taken from the Copper Clown claim, situate near the line of the Columbia & Kootenay railway, 7 miles from Nelson, show $22.4 in gold and copper. The ledge is traced across the property and also across the King Copper and Copper Age, the adjoining claims. In the process of development work on the Coper Clown the ledge has been uncovered 12 feet and is still widening. Perkins Bros. & Duhamel, the owners, state that they will do considerable work on it this summer and hope to have a good showing before winter.

Engineers representing the Nelson & Bedlington Railway Company have commenced the survey of the route of the line between this city and the international boundary. Surveying is being done on the east bank of the Kootenay River to Kootenay Lake. It is probable that the west bank will also be surveyed in order to determine which is the most feasible route.

Workmen in building a trail across the Great Eastern claim on Toad mountain discovered some fine looking free gold quartz. Two assays gave results of $42 and $1,080 in gold respectively.

Nelson Tribune.

J. F. Hume this week cashed in over $4,000 to the provincial government for back payments upon government town lost.

Charles and Arnold Munroe this week had a most remarkable assay on rock taken from the Catherine mineral claim, situated about 2 miles east of Hall creek and about 12 miles from Nelson. The assay was made by A. H. Hoadich, of the Hall mines, and returned 42 per cent. copper, $2.20 in gold and over 11 ounces in silver.

A couple of prospectors named Moulse and Howser, made an important strike on Coffee creek, about 10 miles west of Ainsworth, and located a couple of claims, the Glasgow and North Star. An assay made from the croppings gave a return of 285 ounces silver and 50 per cent. lead. The find is about a mile south of the Olsen group, in which C. F. Olsen, Captain Hayward and J. T. Lendrun are interested. The claims are now being prospected.

Seven new strikes have been recently made on the south fork of Woodbury creek, and several outlays have left Ainsworth for that locality. The assays in some instances are very high.

Recent reports from the lower Duncan are to the effect that several promising claims have recently been located on Glacier creek, which empties into the Duncan two or three miles below Hooter lake. John Westerleng and Albert Johnson have recorded the Queen of the West and Little Johnny, and show some rich specimens of ore taken from the surface croppings. D. Cosguff and John Havard, with their partners, have also located groups of claims, which have ledges from eighteen to twenty feet in width.

The owners of the mineral claims on Forty Nine creek, above the hydraulic company's ground, are endeavoring to get the government to assist them in constructing three miles of a trail. They are asking the government for something like $300 for provisions and supplies, and propose to put in their own labor. A short trail of about three miles will serve about 30 claims. Little, if any work, has been done upon the properties, as the greater number of them were located last year, but there are good prospects and the construction of the trail will enable the holders to get in and open them up. It is likely that the government will meet their wishes.

Thomas Brown, of Pilot Bay, was in Nelson this week on his way to Fort Steele, via Bonner's Ferry. He will spend the coming summer in looking over the country between Fort Steele and Kootenay lake, in the interests of an Eastern Canadian syndicate. "Tom" is of the opinion that the district along the west branch of the St. Mary's river will receive a great deal of attention this spring. The mineral deposits of the district were first made known by Henry Rose and his partners, who are said to have upwards of 25 claims scattered over it. Prospecting is fairly easy as the country is high and it is easy to get above the timber. There are fully 60 prospectors at present camped at Sawyer's pass, and on the Fort Steele trail waiting for the snow to leave.

GRAND FORKS.

Grand Forks Miner.

Scott Greening, of Los Angeles, Cal., and Capt. J. C. Carter, late of Montesana, Wash., went up the North Fork last Monday on a prospecting trip. Mr. Greening represents California money which will handle any properties which he may secure, and Mr. Carter, it is understood, is also in a position to negotiate for cash upon his recommendation.

Mrs. John A. Manly, wife of the mayor, had a narrow escape from death by poisoning yesterday. She took a tablespoonful of phenacetine to cure a headache when half a teaspoonful would have been the proper dose. Dr. Hepworth was immediately summoned and he succeeded in counteracting the effect of the drug. Mrs. Manly was for a time in a critical condition, but has now practically recovered.

H. Kenhoff, an expert from Berlin, representing large amounts of German capital, has been in the district for the past two or three weeks examining our best properties. He has gone as far as Camp McKinney, taking in Greenwood, Deadwood, Copper, Skylark, Wellington, White's, Long Lake and all the important camps in that directions. This week he has been up the North Fork looking at the Pathfinder, Volcanic, and other well known properties. So far as can be learned he is extremely well pleased with the mineral showings of this section, and it is more than probable that his report will result in the investment of considerable German capital in our neighborhood.

A. L. Rogers and Joseph Young came down from Summit camp this morning with samples of ore from the Banner and Josie claims, both of which are turning out some good looking rock, while the ore from the Banner is of a character rarely seen in this section of the country, but the more conclusively proving the variety and extent of our mineral wealth. The sample that Mr. Rogers brought down shows sheets of native copper running through gray copper ore. The metal is in its pure state, and the only treatment it needs is to be run into bars. Mr. Rogers says that the Banner lead is five feet in width between well-defined walls of porphyry and cyanite. Two and one-half feet of the lead is grey copper ore, and the remaining two and one-half feet carries the native copper. A shaft is now down about six feet on the lead. No assays have been made at that depth, but on the surface the ore carried $4 to $5 in gold and five ounces in silver. The Josie claim, which is an extension of the Banner, and owned by Mr. Rogers, Mr. Young and Edmund Duford, shows as pretty peacock copper and sulphurets as can be seen anywhere. A shaft has been sunk eight feet on this claim and the ore extends entirely across the shaft bottom. The exact width of the lead at this point has not been determined.

In the county court presided over by Judge Spinks was rendered a decision last Saturday evening in the case of Hall vs. Clark, which, if it stands in the supreme court, will change the entire effect of the mineral act and allow a prospector to locate as many claims as he may see fit on the surface. This decision is in effect that surface indications will not prove the location of two claims upon the same vein or lode. When the court, which had been adjourned from the afternoon, convened Saturday evening the first case on the docket was that of Abraham Hall vs. Ella Clark and affected the title to the Wellington Square mineral claim, plaintiff alleging that it was located upon the same vein or lode as the Snowbird property, owned by defendant, and she was holding these two properties contrary to the provisions of the mineral act. A jury was chosen from the audience, and after being duly sworn by Register McMynn the trial proceeded. Plaintiff made a strong case, producing half a dozen experienced witnesses, who swore that in their opinion the two claims were on the same ledge; basing their opinions on surface indications. Defendant called a number of witnesses, who testified that they had looked over the ground and were of the opinion that the claims in dispute were not on the same vein; at the same time producing rock from the respective properties which differed greatly in appearance. After hearing the evidence the judge instructed the jury that it was not a very difficult case to decide, all that was necessary to decide being whether or not the properties in question were on the same vein or lode. If they were a verdict should be returned for the plaintiff, otherwise they should find for the defendant. After being out about fifteen minutes the jury returned a verdict for the defendant. The verdict in this case hinges on the difficulty of judging from surface showings whether or not two claims are upon the same vein or lode, no matter how positive the indications may be. If it is allowed to stand there will be practically no limit to the amount of ground a greedy prospector can tie up by locating a number of claims along the ledge.

FORT STEELE.

Frank Hogan, treasurer of the Sullivan group in the Fort Steele country, expects to leave today to push the work on that property during the absence of Col. Ridpath, the manager. The location of the Crow's Nest Pass railroad through that country, added to the fact that the contract for the work has already been let, leads the management of the Sullivan group to believe that the work will be pushed to an early completion, and they propose to, as soon as practicable, increase the force of men on the development work and have large quantities of ore on the dump when the first locomotive screams in that mountain section. The ore bodies are so large in that district that the owners of some of the large properties are already figuring on a smelter being put in to treat the ore there.—Spokesman-Review.

THE SLOCAN.

Secretary Bell, of the Wonderful group, in the Slocan, received returns yesterday from the first carload of ore shipped by his mine this season. It was a small car of fifteen tons. The average of the shipment was 119 ounces of silver and 71.4 per cent. lead. The gross value was $1,14.14; the custom duty $166.25, and the net receipts $1,148.49, making an average of $85.99 per ton. Up to date the product of the Wonderful has been $32,222.57 net, the custome duties were $4.531.78, and the average of the ore was 114 ounces of silver and 66 per cent. lead. The returns for the second car shipped this year have not been received yet. It was much larger than the first, and the assays at the mine showed 129 ounces of silver and 75 per cent. of lead.—Spokesman-Review.

MIDWAY.

Midway Advance.

Mr. J. P. McLeod, barrister and solicitor, has moved down from Anaconda to Midway, and opened up his office in the building adjoining the Midway hotel.

The prospects for an abundant crop in the Okanagan district is not of the brightest just at present, although the showers of the past few days have freshened things up a little. So far the spring grain has made little progress, and if good heavy rains are not experienced soon a shortage of crops must invariably result. Fall wheat, too, is in nearly every instance thin and patchy, and gives promise of being anything but a full crop.

GREENWOOD CITY.

Boundary Creek Times.

The French syndicate represented by Mons. Gire, have resumed work on the St. Maurice in Central camp. Operations are shortly to be prosecuted on the Helena.

The owners of the Goldfinch claim were the first in the district to take advantage of the clause in the new mining act allowing a survey of a claim to stand in lieu of assessment work.

George Young last week made a rich strike of copper ore on a new find up the south forth of Rock creek. The ore assays remarkably high.

Hugh Cameron has ordered a steam hoist and pump for the Fontenoy and Vernon claims at Camp McKinney. The properties are to be extensively developed this summer.

A fine ledge of quartz over a foot wide and assaying well was uncovered on the Kinkakee, in Skylark camp, by the Inster Bros. while doing assessment work on that claim last week.

The workmen at the Golconda were visited by a large cougar on Wednesday morning. He came quite close to the tent in which the men were sleeping. Before a gun could be secured the animal disappeared in the woods.

The shaft on the Last Chance, in Smith's camp, is down over 80 feet. On the hanging wall side near the bottom of the shaft, native silver was discovered. Some native silver was found in this mine last fall, but was lost as the shaft went down. The present discovery appears to be of a more permanent character.

D. Carmody returned from Victoria on Thursday last. Mr. Carmody represents Chicago and Findlay, Ohio, capitalists who formed themselves into a syndicate for the purpose of acquiring property in Boundary Creek district. He has already secured bonds on several properties.

Mr. Keefer, manager of the Boundary Mines Co., is pushing the work on the Mother Lode and No. 7 claims. On the latter claim a 40-foot shaft was sunk above the break, with the result that the ore was again struck. Mr. Keefer is now assured that the ore body extends beyond the claim.

Louis Toms, representing Vancouver capitalists, returned to the coast on Tuesday last, after spending several weeks in visiting the different mining camps. Mr. Toms formed a good opinion of the mining possibilities of the district, and he intends returning shortly for the purpose of purchasing for his principals.

Messrs. Miller and Gordon, who returned last week from a prospecting trip up the West Fork, brought back with them some very fine specimens of quartz from claims which they have located in that neighborhood. The West Fork is still attracting prospectors, and it is reported that so keen were one party to arrive quickly at their destination that they travelled both day and night without rest.

Most encouraging reports have been received during the week from Kimberley camp. A number of claim owners are doing assessment work with the result that large bodies of promising looking ore are being discovered. The Comet, owned by Messrs. McCurrach, Shearer and others, is showing up well. They have found some rich ore on their claim.

Mr. J. C. Haas, E.M., who is superintending the work on the Golconda, reports a very encouraging discovery on the claim. In running an open cut across the ledge on the surface, about three feet of sulphide ore was discovered. An average sample of this ore from the surface was assayed and yielded $35.13 in gold and 96 cents in silver. The shaft on the Golconda is now down over 40 feet, and at 50 feet cross-cutting will be commenced. The ore has again being struck in the shaft.

The district affording the latest excitement in mining matters is that surrounding Canyon creek, a tributary of Kettle river, which joins the main stream about 30 miles above Rock creek. Prospectors found there surface croppings of very rich free-milling ore. The development work on the Monitor, a claim in that district, however, disclosed the fact that the free-milling ore turned to base at 12 feet from the surface. The base ore is of good quality, and Canyon creek is likely to prove an important mining district.

KAMLOOPS.

Kamloops, June 7.—At the Assizes here today Leitch pleaded guilty to the robbery of the Fort Steele mail, after a trial of four hours and a half. He was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

VANCOUVER.

Mr. W. D. Haywood has just received a long letter from his brother, ex-Sergt. Haywood, who is now en route to the Yukon. The letter was dated from Lake Bennett and was sent down the coast by means of an Indian. In it Mr. Haywood stated that the whole party except one person were in the best of health, and they had now covered the worst part of the trip. In many places the country was fearfully rough and traveling was only accomplished with difficulty.

A. Von Musberg was sentenced in police court to four months' imprisonment for receiving stolen property from boy burglars. Six boys were arraigned on the charge of burglary. Willie Olson was proved to be the ringleader, and he was sentenced to thirty days' imprisonment, to be kept away from the other prisoners and fed on bread and water as much as possible. The other lads were discharged on being well lectured, but may come up for sentence if they get into trouble again, or are seen associating together.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The steamer Courser has been chartered by the Dominion overnment for three months, and will be used in connection with the survey of the river and the observations which are being taken regarding the rise and fall of the water.

Development work will begin in earnest on the Golden Ears claim, on Pitt Lake, this week. The company have let a contract to Mr. D. Menzies, of Vancouver, to run a 6x6 crosscut tunnel into the mountain for fifty feet, as a starter, and the work will begin on Wednesday.

The reports from all parts of the district on the banks of the Fraser are that the water in the river is gradually falling and the general opinion is that all danger of a flood has now passed. The farmers in the low lying districts are now sowing seeds on their lands, as they are satisfied that there is no fear of losing their crop. This should be very gratifying news to the merchants and others who are interested in the well doing of the farmers and will show up the want of foundation for the lying reports which have been spread abroad as to the flooded condition of the Fraser Valley, and which have no doubt done a lot of harm.

Next Saturday the first shipment of ore from the Harrison Lake mining district will be made, and will consist of about sixty tons of Providence ore. The ore has been all sacked, and will be brought to this city on the steamer Transfer. It will then be reshipped to the steamer Rithet, for Victoria, and from there forwarded by asother steamer to the smelter at Tacoma. As the Providence mine is the pioneer on Harrison Lake, where the number of mining claims is now legion, it is hoped that this shipment will be but the first of many, and that the smelter returns will give fresh impetus to the development of the mining properties not only on Harrison but on Pitt Lake, and in other parts of this district. The result of this and similar shipments from the other camps will largely influence those who are interested in the establishment of a smelter at this city.

EIGHTY-FOUR HOURS AWAKE.

The question was recently put to scientists how long a lormal subject may be deprived of sleep. Experiments in this direction were started, and three healthy members of the Paris Society of Physicians volunteered to submit to the test. All three remained three days and four nights without sleep, but then the experiment was abandoned, for by the state of prostration of one of the three it seemed dangerous to continue. It is peculiar that the second night was more painful to the watchers than the third. With all three the pulse became slower, and with one the temperature almost decreased. The rapidity of preception was plainly diminished and the time of reaction was longer than it would have been under ordinary circumstances. One good night's rest or eight hours' sleep caused all these symptoms of ill-feeling to absolutely disappear.

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