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EDITORIAL NOTES.

At a complimentary banquet given to Mr. Tarte in Vancouver hardly a single word was said about West Kootenay. This was a serious mistake. It is to the interest of every citizen of British Columbia to bring West Kootenay and the other mining districts of the Province to the front. Vancouver wishes to take the same position with regard to the mineral development of British Columbia as San Francisco did towards that of Nevada and California. That is a natural and laudable ambition on Vancouver's part. It will never be carried out by ignorance tempered with a subcurrent of jealousy.

THE Toronto World, referring to the Miner's remarks on J. C. Devlin's marriageable girl flight of fancy says.

"The Rossland Miner treats in a very serious light a joking remark made by J. C. Devlin, the well-known prospector. Messrs. Redis and Jackson of the Miner would enjoy life better if they would not insist on refusing to see the funny side of things."

There is a joke in confusing the identity of Messrs Reddin & Jackson the brokers, with that of Messrs Reavis and Jackson respectively the proprietor and editor of the Miner which the latter are not likely to see the fun of either. But it has a point just the same and a good one.

It is a great pity that the Hon. I Tarte was unable to visit Southwest Kootenay. An old saying is that seeing is believing. Had he seen he would doubtless have believed. When one hears of a new discovery one may be perfectly well aware of the bona fides of the describer and of the accuracy of the description. But the actual meaning and significance is never photographed on the brain until it has been seen. So with a country like Kootenay. The Hon. I Tarte is no doubt aware in a general way that Kootenay is a great country. But the actual vision of a smelter or two, a few mills in operation, some of our big compressor plants and a few thousand tons of ore massed before him would have left a much more vivid impress on his brain.

THERE is something very mysterious about the land question around Rossland, a mystery which THE REVIEW frankly confesses it has been unable to solve. The agents of D. C. Corbin maintain his title is now perfect and are selling the land under contracts which bind Corbin to practically nothing. On the other hand the Dundee interest maintains that there is absolutely no change in the situation. The extraordinary thing is that, although the public mind is so confused, no proof has been forthcoming that Corbin can pass a title which, whatever the outcome of the matter, will be indefeasible to a bona fide purchaser for value. Here is the mysterious dilemma in THE REVIEW'S mind. If Corbin has such a title and wishes to sell lots, why does he not publish proof of it. If he has not such a title, what does he mean by accepting people's money for the property?

It is difficult not to come to the conclusion that at the last Dominion election Canada was relieved of an incubus. Everything appears to be springing forward with renewed energy and renewed hope. Independent enterprise has revived. Undoubtedly what defeated

the conservatives in the west was the too close correspondence between the government and the Canadian Pacific railway. The people of the west have undoubtedly conservative leanings but their party affiliations are not so strong as in the east. And so long as industry in the west could only exist after the rapacity of C. P. R. officials had been satisfied we lived without hope except in foreign competition. During the last campaign an argument was made that if the late government was not returned the Canadian Pacific would be unable to build the Crow's Nest Pass railway. We were mortally afraid of the Crow's Nest Pass railway under C. P. R. domination and we are still. Is Laurier strong enough, is he patriotic enough to exact from any corporation he assists to build the Crow's Nest Pass railway, guarantees which will protect the industry of the country? Is he wise enough to adopt a vigorous progressive policy, absorbing the best elements of conservatism while putting on one side the corruptions which defeated it? In the answer to these two questions lies the secret of his success or failure in the west.

Toronto World. "The ministers who are to conduct the tariff inquiry will be in Toronto next Tuesday and the two following days. One of the matters that should be brought to their consideration is the question of mining machinery. The demand for such machinery in Canada is now quite large enough to permit of its economical manufacture in this country. All that is required is the imposition of a tariff that will give to Canadian manufacturers the Canadian market. This demand for the imposition of a tariff on mining machinery is based on ignorance of the conditions. There is a tariff now on mining machinery which is manufactured in Canada, and all manufacturers have to do is to manufacture and then they can have the benefit of the tariff. In fact, everything except mill machinery is purchased in Canada. A mill, particularly a concentrator, is a very delicate organism. It cannot be bought here and there in parts and fitted together so as to work well. It is practically only machinery of this class which is imported, and there is not sufficient demand in Canada to justify its manufacture here. With this class of mining machinery the United States supplies the whole world. To place a tariff on its import into Canada would simply be to put an obstacle in the way of the mining industry without benefiting our manufacturers in the slightest degree.

ON THE SUNSET GROUP.

Work is progressing vigorously on the north vein in the Sunset ground. Two shifts are employed sinking a working shaft following the foot wall. On the surface the ore body was perhaps eighteen inches wide. At a depth of fifteen feet the entire shaft is in excellent ore and the hanging wall has not yet been disclosed. Assay values range from \$3 to \$28 in gold and 5 per cent copper per ton. A fine lot of ore has already been piled up in the shaft house and the building will speedily have to be enlarged. The Walters Company, who have had the Sunset, Alabama and Gold Hunter under exploration for the past two months, are very much pleased with the results. It is generally understood that the Sunset will pass into control of the Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate. If so, the syndicate will be launched under exceedingly favorable circumstances, since success can only come to a mining company through the possession and operation of first-class mines. Much of the Sunset ore is so like, in general appearance, the product of the Red Mountain produce that it can not be told from the best output of the Le Roi or War Eagle. A good wagon road now extends from the Columbia & Western Railway to within three or four hundred feet of the Sunset shaft, and men are at work building a branch to the mine.

THE SUDBURY COAL.

The Sudbury coal discovery is still being agitated. An expert named Cole now runs counter to the expert named Coleman as follows

"Talking to the World yesterday, Dr. Cole said that Prof. Coleman in his report on the deposit seems to have compared the surface mineral at Sudbury with the coal from 100 feet down in the Lehigh Valley mines, while as a matter of fact the surface formation of the Algoma bed was identical with that found in connection with the leading coal mines of the world.

"Dr. Cole stated that the Sudbury fuel was being continually used in base burners for heating the homes of the people around Sudbury."

Dr. Cole concluded: "Boring will be commenced at once with diamond drills, and this will forever settle what the deposit really is. In my opinion there is an immense field of coal there, and its value as a fuel for Ontario will be only a question of railway freight charges."

MARKET REPORT.

The stock market is without marked feature this week. The general level of prices is well maintained and good stocks are more easily disposed of than at any previous time. The extension of area over which stocks are sold goes on, and it is likely that St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, Chicago, Milwaukee, New York and Boston will, with improving times in the United States, take a more active interest in our stocks. There seems to be no difficulty in placing treasury stocks which have any merit, and companies floated within the last two or three weeks have had great success. There are no important movements or exciting advances to chronicle.

COMPANIES.	CAPITALIZATION.	PAR VALUE.	MARKET PRICE.
Alberta	\$1,000,000	\$ 1 00	t 10
Alamo	500,000	\$ 1 00	*
Butte Gold Copper	1,000,000	1 00	t 07 1/2
Big Three	3,500,000	1 00	t 10
Caledonia Con	500,000		t 12
California	2,500,000	1 00	15
Cambridge	1,000,000	1 00	t 03
C & C	500,000	1 00	*
Centre Star	500,000	1 00	*
Celtic Queen	750,000	1 00	t 07 1/2
Commander	500,000	1 00	t 28
Crown Point	1,000,000	1 00	45
Colonna	1,000,000	1 00	t 15
Caribou	800,000	1 00	36
Cumberland	500,000	10 00	*
Deer Park	1,000,000	1 00	18
Elise	1,000,000	1 00	t 15
Enterprise	1,000,000	1 00	*
Evreka	500,000	1 00	t 05
Evening Star	1,000,000	1 00	25
Georgia	1,000,000	1 00	35
Good Hope	500,000	1 00	8
Great Western	1,000,000	1 00	18
Grey Eagle	750,000	1 00	
High Ore	500,000	1 00	c7 1/2
Homestake	1,000,000	1 00	17
Hall Mines	£300,000	£1	8 15
Hilltop	1,000,000	1 00	t 10
Idaho	500,000	1 00	*
Iron Colt	1,000,000	1 00	t 15
Iron Horse	1,000,000	1 00	*
Iron Mask	500,000	1 00	75
Ivanhoe	1,000,000	1 00	t 10
Josie	700,000	1 00	60
Jumbo	500,000	1 00	75
Jublet	1,000,000	1 00	t 12
Kohinoor	1,000,000	1 00	t 10
Kootenay-Columbia	40,000	100 00	*30
Kootenay London	1,000,000	1 00	10
Le Roi	2,500,000	5 00	7 50*
Lily May	1,000,000	1 00	15
Mayflower	1,000,000	1 00	16
Monte Cristo	1,000,000	1 00	20
Mugwump	1,000,000	1 00	t 20
Monita	750,000	1 00	t 35
Minnesota	1,000,000	1 00	*
Northern Belle	1,000,000	1 00	t 15
Noble Five Con	1,200,000	1 00	40
Old Ironsides	1,000,000	1 00	15
O. K.	1,000,000	1 00	32 1/2
Orphan Boy	7,000,000	1 00	t 15
Phoenix	500,000	1 00	t 12 1/2
Poorman	500,000	1 00	9
Red Mountain View	1,000,000	1 00	20
Rossland, Red Mt.	1,000,000	1 00	20
Rambler Con	1,000,000	1 00	*
St. Elmo	1,000,000	1 00	15
Silver Bell	1,000,000	1 00	t 07
Silverine	500,000	1 00	12 1/2
Southern Cross & W Con	500,000	1 00	20
St. Paul	1,000,000	1 00	t 10
Slocan Star	500,000	50	2 15
Sunshine	500,000	10 00	*
Trail Mining Co.	250,000	100 00	*
Union	600,000	1 00	*
Virginia	500,000	1 00	24
War Eagle	500,000	1 00	75
West Le Roi	500,000	1 00	*30
White Bear	500,000	1 00	*
Young British America	1,000,000	1 00	t*
Wonderful	1,000,000	1 00	15

Dividend paying properties appear in italics. An asterisk denotes that there is no stock on the market. t denotes treasury stock.