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C. P. R. BUYS SMELTER.

Deal With Mr. Heinz Completed and Now Ores Will Be Treated at Cost.

Low Grade Properties at Rossland Expected to Thrive in Consequence.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—(Special)—At the close of the C.P.R. directors' meeting yesterday Vice President Shaughnessy announced that the deal with Mr. Heinz for transfer of his railroad and smelting interests in the Kootenay district to the C.P.R. had been completed. The C.P.R., he said, was not going into the smelting business to make money out of it. The company realized that in order to make the mining of lower grade ores abundant in Kootenay district profitable it would be necessary to give miners much cheaper means of getting out ore. It would therefore provide facilities for miners at what they cost.

ATLANTIC MAIL SERVICE.

The Petersens Still Insist That They Can Carry Out Their Contract.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—(Special)—The Messrs. Peterson still stoutly deny the suggestion that they may not be able to carry out the fast mail contract. They say they have fulfilled all the government's preliminary conditions and have every detail of the specifications to proceed at a moment's notice with the ships so as to be ready by contract time, June 1, 1899, and two others by June 1, 1900. If this be so, people are asking why, if all be ready, the sailing has not commenced. The ships are to be turret ships as originally proposed.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

A School Agitator Won Over The Disputed Accounts End of the Curbing.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 15.—(Special)—The Winnipeg curling trophy closed to-day. The New York Life heard challenge event was won by H. Dunbar of the Winnipeg Thistles, with McDiarmid of the Granites, Winnipeg, second. Dunbar also won the Royal Caledonian tankard, with Smith of Regina second. The Dolge international was won by Pele of the Winnipeg Thistles, with Grassie, of Portage la Prairie, second. Dunbar played 22 games during the week and won 21.

An Ottawa dispatch published here says that Nicholas Bawlf, a prominent Liberal and leader in the Manitoba school question agitation, may be offered the vacant senatorship in Manitoba.

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THE KLONDIKE RUSH.

Making Its Presence Felt on the Great Atlantic Lines—One Hundred a Day Through Montreal.

MONTREAL, Feb. 14.—(Special)—The Klondike rush from here is setting in in good shape. Over seventy left on Saturday for the West bound for the gold fields. Eight were from the State of Maine. The average number is about one hundred men each day.

COWICHAN COUNCIL.

Budget of Important Business Disposed of at Last Session.

SOMERSON, B.C., Feb. 10.—The municipal council held their second meeting on Saturday, the 5th inst. A memorial from a public meeting held in Chemainus on the previous evening was read, protesting against the expenditure of municipal funds on opening up a road to the Mount Sicker mines. The council then took into consideration a letter from Messrs. Crease & Crease, giving the grounds for the just decision in the appeal case. "The Corporation vs. H. O. Wellburn," and a resolution was passed which, while admitting the verdict of the law, declared that the municipal council had serious grievances, which it is incumbent on the council to endeavor to have removed. The road inspector, Mr. D. Evans, was reappointed at his former salary. A number of bills and the treasurer's statement of account were referred by the reeve to the finance committee, whose report was afterwards received and adopted. The road inspector presented a report on the survey, by himself and Mr. Hugh Egan of a line of road to Mt. Sicker, with an estimate of the cost; a resolution was passed postponing further action until fuller particulars were obtained. Councillor W. Herd gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the council introduce a

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Political Flavor in Penitentiary Religion—Importing Superior Domestic Servants.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 14.—(Special)—It is understood that on March 1, J. W. Goulding, Protestant chaplain at Stony Mountain penitentiary for the last twenty years, will be succeeded by Rev. A. M. Finn of Portage la Prairie. Mr. Goulding is a clergyman of the Church of England and Mr. Finn is a Methodist. A Tribune reporter was told that it is likely a special meeting of the executive committee of the diocese of Rupert's Land will be called to formulate a protest against the change, which is for political reasons only.

A party of seventy-five Klondikers passed through the city from the East on Saturday. A. C. Fraser, member of the legislature for Brandon, joined the Klondikers yesterday.

Mrs. Livingstone, of this city, has received an appointment from the department of the interior to take charge of the immigration of a superior class of domestic servants from Great Britain to Manitoba and the Territories.

Dunbar, of the Winnipeg curling trophy, his first loss in the Winnipeg curling bonspiel this morning from Verrier, of the Granites, in the semi-finals of the Walkerville event. The bonspiel was concluded tonight, with the exception of the final for the Challenger and Champion events. Dunbar of the Winnipeg Thistles is in with finals, meeting McDiarmid of the Granites in the former, and Smith of Regina in the latter event. The Dolge international is between Pele of the Winnipeg Thistles and Grassie of Portage la Prairie, and is being played to-night. The Walkerville was won by Verrier of the Winnipeg Granites, with Ewart second and Dunbar third. The Peterson consolation was won by Smith of Regina, the Tuckett trophy by the Morden rinks and the Galt cup by Regina.

A BANKING DEAL.

Senator Cox Reported to Have Patented Klondike for His Insurance.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—(Special)—It is stated here that Hon. George A. Cox has been able to strike a good bargain with the government, and one that will bring a good round sum into the coffers of the Bank of Commerce. It is said that the deal is a deal with the government regarding the handling of the gold output of the Yukon.

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