

## TRYING TO BEAT IT

Opposition Fighting to Postpone the Railway Bill.

## MR. SEMLIN'S MOTION

He Asks that the Question of the Building of the Road from Glenora to the Coast be Left to the Decision of the House after the Next Election.

VICTORIA, May 9.—The railway bill was debated in the legislature this afternoon. Mr. Semlin, leader of opposition, resuming the debate and moving an amendment to the motion for a second reading. This amendment read that it is the duty of the provincial government to provide communication between an ocean port in British Columbia and to Teslin lake, and therefore asked the house to resolve "that the present bill be withdrawn and one substituted reading only with the section of the railroad between Glenora and Teslin lake, without any increase of the subsidy per mile, and that if any cash subsidy be given it shall exclude the right to profit by any land grant already provided for a railway over this route, and that the question of the construction of a railway from Glenora to the coast be left to the decision of the house to be elected at the forthcoming election. This amendment is being debated this evening.

## PLENTY OF GOLD.

Important Find on Unak Island near the Mouth of the Stikine.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 9.—Duncan Graham, a Scotchman, was drowned at Wrangell on the 5th inst. by falling out of his canoe.

News comes from Wrangell of rich discoveries of gold on Unak Island near the mouth of the Stikine. News of the finds is contained in the statement of two Indians who called at Wrangell for supplies just before the Ning Chow left "that they had taken out \$1,300 worth of gold nuggets from the island." The exhibition of the nuggets caused much excitement. Two white men came to Wrangell from the island the same day with \$187 in gold, but declined to say anything of the discoveries there.

Robinson creek a tributary of the Nation river, Omineca, has yielded \$400 worth of gold for two days panning. Great excitement rules at Quesnelle and hundreds of prospectors are going in.

## KOOTENAY DELEGATION.

It Desires a Heavier Duty on Lead and Not a Commission.

OTTAWA, May 9.—(Special). The Kootenay delegates are now here, working for the appointment of a commission to inquire into the condition of the lead industry. They are working for the immediate imposition of a heavier import duty on lead products and lead manufactures. They may not succeed but they would possibly if British Columbia members were not all free traders. It is hard to convince a British Columbia free trader that duties should be increased even on lead. It is almost a certainty that W. W. B. McArthur will resign his seat in the commons. If he does Senator Tompkins of Victoria will resign and make the race. He should win for he is the man who should be where Sifton is in the cabinet. Sifton is not western in temperament or ideas.

## A GOOD SHOWING.

Ore Shipped Over the K. &amp; S. Railroad During April.

The following is a list of the mines that shipped over the K. & S. railway during the month of April with their respective amounts:

Ruth.....	928,000
Payne.....	75,000
Rambler.....	75,000
Last Chance.....	75,000
Dandelion.....	75,000
Antoine.....	75,000
Reco.....	75,000
Wonderful Bird.....	75,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>2,211,610</b>
Below:	
Pueblo.....	942,000
Everett.....	970,000
Tacoma.....	62,710
Kootenay Ore Co., Kaslo.....	40,000
Aurora.....	40,000
Denver.....	40,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>2,211,610</b>

The destination of this ore was as follows:

Value.....	1,891,000
Value.....	563,336
Value.....	75,273
Ounces silver.....	1,212,161
Gross lbs. ore.....	543,475
Value.....	594,029
Ounces silver.....	1,212,161
Value.....	3,103,161
Pounds ore.....	106,821
Pounds lead.....	1,397,092
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Value of total shipments via Kaslo and Nakusp during April:

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The Proposed U. S. Consul.

The papers in the application of N. A. Burritt for the appointment as United States consul for this district, have been forwarded to Washington. The petition includes about 500 names from all over the Kootenays and Yale, which would be the territory included under the consulship, in the event that it is created. Mr. Burritt says that his application has received the endorsement of Senators Platt, of New York, Carter and Wilson, of Montana, and Wilson, of Washington, all of whom have promised to push the application. The creation of the office would lie with the secretary of the treasury, but must receive the endorsement of the senate and the president. At present the Kootenays and Rossland, which would be included in the territory of the new consul, are under the domain of the United States consul at Vancouver, although a consular agent is resident here.

In the Coxy.

Work in the Coxy is concentrated in the main crosscut tunnel, which is being vigorously pushed to strike the second ledge. Operations in the drift have been suspended for the present.

## CHAT WITH MR. ROBINSON.

He Has Returned After Six Weeks' Absence in the East.

W. J. Robinson, treasurer of the Canadian-American Gold Mining & Development company, has returned from a visit to the east. The object of his visit was to leave Mrs. Robinson and the rest of his family at Cape Cod. The children did not have the best of health while here, and so the change was made to Mrs. Robinson's old home in the hope that the change might do them good. The trip occupied Mr. Robinson some six weeks. While he was away he visited Toronto, Boston, Chicago, New York and other large cities. The war is talked of everywhere and so far it seems to effect the coast cities the most. There is a great deal of shipping is tied up in the harbors through the fear that to venture out will result in capture by Spanish war vessels. This makes the ports dull. In the interior the situation is different. Most of the surplus men have volunteered for the war and the remainder are given employment in foundries, mills, powder factories, and navy yards, preparing in making war vessels, clothing and munitions of war. The result is that times are rather lively.

"At Moosejaw, on the way back," he said, "I made connection with a car load of people who were bound for Peachland. Among them was my brother, J. M. Robinson, president and general manager of the Canadian-American Gold Mining & Development company. He is now giving all his attention to the management of the company. The rest of the people in the car were Winnipeg farmers and their families who intend to settle at Peachland on Lake Okanagan. My brother has already built him a house there so that he can be near the mines of the Canadian-American Gold Mining & Development company which are only a few miles from there. The government has consented to construct a wagon road to the mines. While I was in the east I heard a good many complimentary references to Rossland, and there is a general desire to know more of this country, and I noticed that many desired to come to the west, which they seem to regard as a sort of promised land."

## THE ROAD TO BOUNDARY

Bids for Construction Are to Be Opened on June 15th.

It Will Be 100 Miles in Length and Cost in the Neighborhood of \$3,000,000.

It is now certain that the intention of the Canadian Pacific railway is to construct a road into the Boundary country during the coming summer. Bids for the construction of the Columbia & Western railway from Robson to Midway, a distance of 100 miles, will be opened on June 15th. The estimated cost of this section of the road is \$3,000,000. The engineers of the C. P. R., under the superintendence of W. F. Tye, are now busy preparing the plans and estimates of the road from their field notes. It is thought that McKenzie & Mann, Winters, Parsons & Boomer, Lynch, Larson and other contractors will bid upon the work.

The road will connect at Robson with the Trail road, thence to Dog creek, and across the pass. Then down McCrear creek to Christina lake, down the lake and across to Midway. This will be good news for the people of the Boundary country.

Incorporation of Fraternal Societies.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 11.—The banking and commerce committee this morning passed a bill for the Dominion incorporation of the Ancient Order of Foresters.

This was a measure actively opposed by several of the government last week. A clause was inserted requiring the order to put up a reserve fund satisfactory to the insurance department. The bill for the incorporation of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the Sons of England Benefit society met with objection on the same grounds as the former measure. Minister Davies asked for an addition clause to provide for a reserve fund, but the promoters declined to accept this proposal and the bill passed without amendment.

Took a Favorable Turn.

TORONTO, Ont., May 11.—Dalton McCarthy took a turn for the better this morning. He is now conscious and recognizes his friends. His condition is decidedly more hopeful.

NO UNCERTAIN VERDICT

The Ladies Are Continually Praising Diamond Dyes.

The strong assertion can be made, without fear of contradiction, that either diamond dyes for home dyeing ever commanded the praise and admiration of the millions as have the wonderful and popular Diamond Dyes.

Mrs. W. F. Curtis, Albany, P. E. I., says: "Have used Diamond Dyes for seven years, and have always had success with them."

Mrs. J. H. Johnston, Manitoquin Island, Ont., says: "I have used your Diamond Dyes for many years with great success, and like them better than any other make of dyes."

Mrs. Jas. McClelland, Surrey Centre, B. C., says: "I have bought your Diamond Dyes for a great many years, and they have proved good and true."

Mrs. Chas. Leask, Arden Station, Man., says: "I am a farmer's wife and have used lots of the Diamond Dyes in my time; they always make old clothes as good as new."

Mrs. W. J. Porter, Peterboro, Ont., says: "I have been using your Diamond Dyes for years, and they do what is claimed for them."

Mrs. Aubin, Shefford Vale, P. Q., says: "Have used Diamond Dyes many years and think they are the best; do not wish to try any other."

Mrs. Chas. Gange, St. Chrysostome, P. Q., says: "Your Diamond Dyes are splendid and should be kept in every home."

Mrs. Chas. Lewis, Hamilton, Ont., says: "The Diamond Dyes are far ahead of other dyes I have tried; they give the clearest and brightest colors. No wonder your dyes are the most popular."

## IN OUTSIDE CAMPS

Nearly All the Towns Will Celebrate the Queen's Birthday.

## TWO NOTABLE VISITORS

It is Said That Lord and Lady Aberdeen Will Make a Short Stay in West Kootenay—G. A. Fraser is Now a Grand Forks Brewer—Etc.

Kaslo is preparing to build a new city hall.

Navigation has opened on the upper Columbia river.

Great interest is being manifested in the approaching municipal elections at Grand Forks.

The Grand Prairie farmers are finding a ready sale for their supply of potatoes and cabbage in Eureka camp.

Arrangements are being made for the construction of an opera house at Revelstoke.

E. L. Taylor has been nominated as captain of the Revelstoke company of the Kootenay Rifles.

Mr. Hume has been appointed manager of the Foster Gordon ranch at Neaderston.

T. R. Armstrong and R. W. Blake more have been appointed justices of the peace for East Kootenay.

Mr. Griffith, S. M., of East Kootenay, intends instituting a monthly sitting of the court at Windermere.

The Kaslo fire brigade is making great preparations for the firemen's tournament to be held in Kaslo May 24.

The annual meeting of the Kootenay District Methodist church was held at New Denver last week.

It is said that the governor-general of Canada and Lady Aberdeen will visit West Kootenay this year, while visiting British Columbia.

R. A. Kimpton, of Windermere, is mentioned as a candidate in the opposition interests at the coming Provincial elections.

Miss Hanna, sister of Mr. Hanna of Golden, is one of the nurses selected to represent the Victoria order at the Klondike.

The Golden Gun club held its annual meeting recently and will shortly arrange a match with the Revelstoke Gun club.

A contract has been let to J. Keraghan for the construction of the Taylor block at Revelstoke. The building will cost about \$6,000.

An Opposition meeting held at Golden recently, Messrs. Green, Harvey and Gibson were nominated to act as delegates to the Opposition-convention to be held at Golden this week.

Representations are being made in nearly every town in Southern and Southeastern British Columbia for the celebration of the Queen's Birthday on the 24th of May.

The surveyors are at work on the route for the near 5-Mile creek.

Near Nelson, and work will be started immediately on the completion of the survey.

Ex-Mayor Green of Kaslo, who with Mrs. Green, has been spending weeks in the Salmon River islands, has returned home much improved in health.

M. J. Haney, superintendent of construction on the Crow's Nest Pass railway, predicts that the public will be surprised at the rapid progress that will be made on the construction of the railway this summer.

Rev. C. A. Proctor, who has been in Kaslo for the past three years as pastor of the Methodist church, has changed his religious convictions and will shortly be ordained to the ministry of the Church of England.

Commencing on May 5, the steamer Alberta commenced leaving Kaslo at 6 a.m. every Thursday for Bonner's Ferry, Idaho, in addition to the regular weekly service to the coast.

A movement is on foot for the formation of a Clerk's association in Nelson. If it can be formed the city council will be asked to compel merchants to close their stores at 7:30 p. m. during the summer months.

G. A. Fraser, late of Rossland and now a resident of Grand Forks, has purchased Robert Hewitt's interest in the Grand Forks brewery. The business will be carried on in the future under the name of G. A. Fraser &amp; Co.

Mr. Roy, Dominion Government Engineer, arrived in Golden for the purpose of making a careful examination of the Kickinghorse river, with a view to reporting to the Dominion government on the proposal to dredge the channel so as to avoid a repetition of last year's trouble.

Hector Sproat, engineer employed in the Kootenay steamer service, was promoted and transferred from the steamer Kokanee, plying on Lake Kootenay, to one of the five large C. P. R. steamers at Vancouver.

These steamers have just been placed in commission. One was launched at Vancouver last week.

Peter Clime, who figured in the shooting affair at Kuskonook a couple of weeks ago, and who has since been confined in the Nelson jail, was brought before Police Magistrate O'Connell last Thursday forenoon for preliminary trial. The case was remanded until today to allow of the appearance of the two Italians who were shot. It is thought they have sufficiently recovered to appear in court to give their version of the shooting.

A boom of 300 piles to be used in the construction of the new C. P. R. wharf at Nelson, was brought down Kootenay lake last week by the steamer Hayle. Some of the piles are over 100 feet long and will be used in the deep water at the outer end of the wharf. They are the largest ever used in the Kootenay country. Work, which was temporarily suspended, has been resumed, and the wharf will be rapidly pushed to completion.

During the past week a large number of mining men from Rossland have been making their headquarters in Grand Forks. As among the number there are several who played a prominent part in making Rossland what it is today, it is fair to presume that there is something in the wind. The presumption is strengthened by the fact that daily trips are being made to the different mining camps adjoining the city, and every now and then it is intimated that a deal is on.

John Seeley was fined \$15 in the police court yesterday for carrying a concealed weapon.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The Old Red Eagle.

EDITOR MINER—Sir: I should appreciate any information you can give me regarding the old Red Eagle company.

Yours truly, PATRICK O'NEILL.

Gem, Idaho, April 25.

[The old Red Eagle company's assets were bought at sheriff's sale by a syndicate, which since disposed of the property to the Ottawa Gold Mining company of Rossland, which has a capitalization of \$250,000, in \$1 shares. Of these 122,000 have been placed in the treasury, and are offered exclusively to stockholders in the old Red Eagle company on the basis of five shares of Red Eagle for one share of Ottawa, and a payment of five cents per share for each share surrendered, or on the basis of 25 cents per share for Ottawa stock, but in capitalization of the company is only \$250,000, it is only equal to 6 2/3 cents per share in a \$1,000,000 company such as the old Red Eagle was. Archibald Cameron, Rossland, is the secretary of the Ottawa company, and communications should be addressed to him or to the official brokers, Harris, Kennedy &amp; Co., Rossland.—Ed.]

Re the Deer Park.

TORONTO, April 31.

EDITOR MINER—Sir: Will you kindly inform me what salaries are paid the officers of the Deer Park, and whether or not the company is in debt? I have heard that the salaries are paid so seriously.

In this connection will you tell me whether dividends are paid on the amount of a company's capital stock or upon the amount issued? Yours truly, INTERESTED.

[Fred Mulholland, the manager of the Deer Park company, informs that the salaries of the officials are paid no salary, and the company itself has no indebtedness.

As to the fall in its stock, all stocks have settled down from the fictitious and purely speculative values which obtained during the boom, and shares are now quoted at their true value. It should be noted, however, that whereas six months ago Deer Park sold at seven cents, on a capitalization of 1,000,000 shares, which is equivalent to \$70,000 for the property, now, since the company is working, its stock has advanced to 13 1/2 cents, while its capitalization has been increased to \$1,500,000. At the present quotations the property is worth \$202,500, which is equivalent to 20 1/2 cents a share on the basis of the million dollar capitalization.

As to the query whether dividends are paid on the entire capital stock, or merely upon the shares issued, it will be seen upon a moment's thought that the one exactly balances the other. Supposing that a dividend of \$15,000 is to be divided, in a company capitalized for \$1,500,000, in a company of 1,000,000 shares, of which \$750,000 in shares has been issued; then if the amount of the dividend is paid merely on the shares issued, each stockholder will get 2 cents per share. On the other hand, if the dividend is paid on the entire capitalization, the nominal dividend will be only 1 cent a share, but half of the total amount will remain in the treasury to be disbursed, so that eventually each share issued will receive 2 cents, just as if the dividend had been paid only upon the shares issued.—Ed.]

FROM THE RECORDS.

Transfers.

MAY 4.

Camp Bird X, on Emerald mountain, George Lamontague to George E. Miller.

White Bird X, on Norway mountain, George Lamontague to George E. Miller.

Dip 13, Charles Mills to J. Tye.

MAY 5.

Lightfoot, on east slope of Sophie mountain, W. T. Graham to Thomas M. Edmondson.

Boiler Chimney, British Lyon and Copper King, on west foot of Little Shen creek, Alex Carson to Thomas Prest.

Little Joe, Western Spy and Kangaroo, on Lake mountain, P. S. Topping, Jacob Lukov, W. E. Nesbitt, T. W. Spelman and Hannah Fleishman, to Little Joe Consolidated C. M. Co.

Orloff, Tidal Wave 1/2, on Sophie mountain, R. M. Terhune and George Terhune to Thomas Bird.

Mackinaw 1/2, Kamloops 1/2, Edwards 1/2, Dummy 1/2 and John Thomas, on Mt. Malone, George, Duncan McCormick to Edw. J. Malone.

MAY 6.

Florence F. 1/2, on Sullivan creek, J. Finnegan to Charles Plime.

MAY 7.

Chimney, on Lookout mountain, Copper King, on China creek, J. Robinson, deputy sheriff, to Walter Herbert Finlayson, J. G.

MAY 9.

Falcon, on Grouse mountain, Alex Trembley to Reverend M. A. Rivers.

Certificates of Work.

April 21—Empress to A. D. Provand, White Rabbit to B. Barnhill and C. A. Coffin.

April 22—Penary to H. L. A. Keller, World to W. D. McGee.

April 23—Mary to Ross Thompson.

April 24—Winnie Davis to W. H. Bogan, Blue Bird to H. Cotton Fox and Campbell Sweeney.

April 25—Red Bird to H. Cotton Fox and Campbell Sweeney.

April 26—Boulder Chief to T. Prest, Bird Lion to T. Prest, Treadwell to Norman Campbell et al.

April 27—Blue Jay to Norman Campbell et al.

April 28—April Fool to Fred J. Smith, Union to J. H. O'Toole, C. O'Toole, Liverpool No. 10.

April 29—Lawry to M. B. Adie, Hecla to Thomas Peacock and C. D. Parr.

April 30—Lionel to T. B. Dabney et al., Sibley to J. B. Dabney et al., Big Four to J. B. McArthur and Hermann Lukeman.

April 1—Sailor Boy to J. B. L. McArthur and Lukeman, St. Clair to J. B. McArthur and H. Lukeman, Santa Rosa to J. B. McArthur and H. Lukeman, St. Luke to J. B. McArthur and H. Lukeman, St. Mark to J. B. McArthur and H. Lukeman.

April 2—Baccinace to St. Clair C. M. Co.

April 3—Superior No. 4 to Kootenay C. &amp; P. Co.

April 10—Buffalo No. 2 to Buffalo C. M. Co.

April 11—Diamond to W. Boyce et al.

May 2—Glenloch to H. B. Lardes, Junco No. 2 to J. B. Miller and John A. Smith, B. X. to J. G. Merrison, Prince of Wales to J. W. Peterson and John Ryan.

May 3—Grape Vine to J. C. Comets, Montana No. 2 to Montana C. M. Co., Tailor Boys to Samuel G. Thompson.

May 4—Georgia to A. D. Provand et al.

May 5—Amund to A. D. Provand, Liverpool to J. M. O'Toole, Liverpool No. 1 to J. M. O'Toole et al.

May 6—Summit to S. L. Williams and James Ward, High Ore No. 3 to Robert Miller, Union to Robert Miller, Junco to Geo. B. Reid, and J. B. Reynolds, Amazon to Chris Willard.

May 7—Oregon No. 1 to J. C. Cox, Red Bird to J. C. Cox, Williamette to J. C. Cox, Schuyler to J. C. Cox.

May 8—High Ore No. 2 to Robert Miller, Ural to Robert Miller, Ramover to George Reynolds and J. B. Reynolds, Amazon to Chris Willard.

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