

## NO JOSIE MEETING

No Quorum and the Gathering Adjourned Till the 17th.

## WAS GOLD AND NOT ZINC

The Owners of the Jubilee Discover That What They Thought Was Worthless Ore is Worth \$1,485 to the Ton.

The meeting of the Josie company which should have been held Monday in the office over Tax Mixers to confirm the transfer of the property, was not held, as no quorum was obtainable. Only about 300,000 shares were represented, while 465,000 were necessary to make the meeting legal. The cause of the lack of the quorum was the illness of F. C. Loring, one of the principal stockholders, and the illness of one of the children of Geo. T. Crane, the president of the company. The meeting will be held in the same place on the 17th inst.

### The Banker Hill Mine.

Theo. R. Newman, formerly superintendent of the O. K., and Jno. R. Beavis left on Tuesday for the Banker Hill on 16-mile creek on the north side of the Pen d'Oreile, 11 miles from Waukesha. Recent developments in the property have been of the most satisfactory character. A tunnel has been driven in on the vein 70 feet, and there has been a continuous ore body from the beginning. The width of the ore body occupies the entire face of the tunnel, a distance of six feet, and is believed to be at least nine feet in width. Both walls are well defined, there being a narrow streak of mica schist separating the quartz from the slate walls on either side. The assays of the ore have been as follows: No. 1, \$6.50; No. 2, \$11; No. 3, \$5.50; No. 4, \$12.50; No. 5, \$31.20. This last assay is the most recent test made. The ore is a free milling quartz, and it is believed that all of it could be treated at a profit. Buildings have been completed for the winter, and Messrs. Nelson and Newcomb expect to double the force at once. The owners of the property are Jno. R. Beavis, Geo. Monk, and Theo. R. Newman. If developments continue satisfactorily, a mill and a compressor will be put in next spring. It looks now as if there will be a good camp in this vicinity very shortly.

### Was Gold Instead of Zinc.

Messrs. Keele and Donahoe, of this city, who own the Jubilee property on Porcupine creek, near Ymir, report a singular incident. The development work on the property has been on the vein, and in the ore was in white, and was thought to be zinc and it was thrown away as valueless. A few days ago a piece of ore was assayed out of curiosity to learn what it really contained, and it was found that it was \$1,485 to the ton in value. Of this, \$432 was in gold. There are one or two other prospects in this vicinity where the owners have been rejecting the same character of ore for the same mistaken idea that prevailed at the Jubilee. The owners will have the samples assayed and hope to get similar results.

### Struck the Ore Body.

The horse that was encountered in the main workings of the Sunset No. 2 has been pierced, and Monday there was encountered a good sized vein of fine looking ore, the value of which will be determined by an assay that will be made some time Tuesday. Foreman Teanson thinks that the body encountered is a part of the surface croppings, and that it extends down from the surface. The width of the body had not been determined last night, but it is thought it will be known within the next 48 hours. This tunnel is being extended to the shaft, which will be reached in 60 feet more of driving. A power slinger is now operating in No. 3 shaft, and is making good progress.

### The Deer Park Resumes.

Work was resumed Monday on the Deer Park, the famous property on the mountain of the same name just south-west of town. The initial work consists of pumping out the water in the shaft.

### Mining Company News.

The Columbia Gold Fields Prospecting & Developing company, limited, has been incorporated with headquarters at Rossland. Its capital is \$1,000,000, and it is authorized to do a general mining business. The Nest Egg & Firefly Mining company will have a meeting in the board of trade room, Victoria, on December 3, to provide for the indebtedness of the company, or to sell or bond the company's assets. The Elise company will have a meeting at the company's office in this city on the 20th of the month, to authorize the officers to sell the mine. The Good Hope Mining & Milling company (foreign) will meet at 36 Columbia avenue on Friday, November 12, to authorize the sale of the company's assets.

### Major Beattie Resigns.

LONDON, Ont., Nov. 10.—Major Beattie, M. P., has resigned his commission in the Seventh battalion.

### Price of Silver.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—Bullion—Silver, 57 3/4¢. Per ounce—Mexican dollars, 44 3/4¢; silver certificates, 57 3/4¢.

### The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—Copper—Steady; brokers' price, 110 1/4¢; exchange price \$10.85 to \$11. Lead—Dull; Domestic, brokers' price, \$3.65; exchange price, \$3.77 @ \$3.85.

## GRAND FORKS CONTRACTS.

After Being Amended They Have Been Ratified by the Council.

GRAND FORKS, Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Contractor W. B. Davey and Mayor Manly were arrivals in the city yesterday. At the regular weekly session of the city council held today, it was agreed between contractor Davey and the council that the council should have the power to have an inspector of the work. The clerk was instructed to sign the contracts. Contractor W. B. Davey said: "I will start work on the light and water systems at once; the first shipment of pipes is now on the way and I will let the contracts for building of the reservoir and power house tomorrow, so that work can be pushed on these buildings at once."

### A Fatal Mistake.

M. E. Spraggett of this place, yesterday relocated the Golden Rod property in Central camp. The name of the new location is the Golden Cash. The ground which Mr. Spraggett has relocated this property is that the annual assessment work has not been recorded through some oversight on the part of the original owners, Messrs. Fanel and Midgeon. Grand Forks Notes. Mayor John A. Manly, while in Grand Forks today, announced that he would not become a candidate for the mayoralty at the city election in January next. He said he had served the city for one year and now he was ready to hand over the reins of civic government to some other person. Joseph Ward, owner of the Ruby property, on Hardy mountain, has just sent 100 pounds of the ore from this claim to an American smelter as a sample test. This ore was taken from the same vein that contained the rich ore from which a \$2,000 gold assay was recently made. Nels Larsen of this place has just returned from Nelson, where he has been granted a judgment (by the Supreme Court) for wages against the Olive Gold Mining company for \$3,000 and costs. Sheriff Pemberton, of Kamloops, who has been here on official business for the last month, took the Pentiction stage morning for his home at Kamloops. The sheriff before leaving expressed the opinion that this section would have a railway before another 12 months. Some fifty of the ladies of this place held a mass meeting yesterday afternoon for the purpose of organizing a Ladies Aid society. At this meeting the following officers were appointed: President, Mrs. Johnson; first vice-president, Mrs. Dr. Abernethy; second vice-president, Mrs. McFarland; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Addison.

### THE RAILWAY SURVEY.

Columbia & Western Railway Will Pass Through Grand Forks.

GRAND FORKS, Nov. 31.—(Special.)—Engineer Sullivan, of the Columbia & Western railway and his corps of surveyors, arrived in Grand Forks yesterday, and are now engaged in surveying the line for the proposed railway through this city. The line, as now surveyed, passes around the end of Observation mountain, then crosses the North Fork near Charles Cummings' house, then passes directly in front of the Fashion livery stables. Then it raises with a gradual grade over the mountain to Christina lake. Grand Forks Bonds Sold at 95 Cents.

### Richard Armstrong, of Rossland, the man who "dickered" on the \$50,000 loan for Rossland, and who is agent for the Canadian Loan and Trust company, of Toronto, Ont., is here arranging for the purchasing of the city bonds.

Richard Armstrong's company has taken the debentures at 95 cents and it is agreed that Contractor Davey will endorse the bonds as the company desire this to be done. Mr. Armstrong will camp here for some time. Contractor W. B. Davey, who is putting in the water works and light plants in Grand Forks, has signified his intention of coming to Grand Forks to reside permanently. BANK OF HALIFAX. It Will Establish a Branch in Nelson.—The First Snow. NELSON, Nov. 7.—(Special.)—Yesterday J. H. Smith, of Rossland, representing the Bank of Halifax, was in Nelson. It is stated upon the best of authority that the bank intends to establish a branch in this city and that Mr. Smith's visit was for the purpose of selecting a suitable location. If this bank establishes a branch here it will give Nelson three banks. Nelson today received an intimation that winter is very near, the first snow of the season falling. It was of short duration, only staying on the ground a few hours. The snow on the hills has gradually crept down until now they are pretty well covered. Within a few days the provincial government will begin the sadly needed additions to the Nelson court house. Only such good citizens as have paid their taxes can vote at the next municipal election. The voters' list is now open at the city hall. A social club, called the Maple Leaf, has been organized. The first dance will be given in the Carney hall next Thursday. The Salvation Army has commenced the erection of suitable barracks on Victoria street, opposite the Miner office. Tax Sale Set Aside. BELLEVILLE, Ont., Nov. 10.—Mrs. White obtained a verdict against the town of Trenton at the Belleville assizes, setting aside the sale of land for taxes on the ground that the assessor's returns had not been made at the proper time. Crow's Nest Rails. TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 10.—The Canadian Pacific received this morning 150 more cars of steel rails from Pittsburgh, Pa., chiefly for the use of the Crow's Nest Pass railway, valued at \$100,000.

## THE BOND JOB

Two \$50,000 Bylaws in Existence.

## THE AGREEMENT "A"

Ross Thompson to Battle in Court for the Ratepayers.

## THE CITY CLERK'S FIGURES

The father of the City of Rossland Will Appeal to the Courts to Prevent the Mayor and Board of Aldermen from Ratifying the Credit of the City—The "Current Expenses" Bylaw Not Needed—The Private Agreement With the Trust and Guarantee Company One of the Most Iniquitous Deals That Was Ever Entered Into in Canada—A Useless Sewer.

The city council has mismanaged the affairs of the municipality to such an extent that Ross Thompson, the father of Rossland and the largest individual owner of property within the city limits, will appeal to the courts to have the \$50,000 loan bylaw set aside. He will make the legal fight of his life for the fair name of Rossland, and to save the ratepayers from being victimized. Ross Thompson is not the kind of a man to shirk his duty as a citizen. Neither is it likely that a man of his stamp would commence proceedings of such a nature if there was not good reason for doing so.

The First Loan. Last June the city council borrowed \$25,000 from the Bank of British North America. Two months later \$26,000 more was obtained under similar conditions and from the same source. The \$50,000 was secured by two notes signed by the city, drawing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum and payable December 25, 1897.

Rossland was incorporated under the Speedy Incorporation of Towns Act, 1897. Consequently, it was permitted to borrow not more than \$50,000 for public works of immediate necessity. This money is represented by the loan made by the Bank of British North America. It is necessary that all subsequent loans should be first voted on by the ratepayers.

A second \$50,000 loan. On September 10 a bylaw was introduced in the council to raise \$50,000 by debentures. The bylaw, if properly drawn, should have specified that the money was for the payment of the indebtedness incurred at the Bank of British North America. However, the bylaw plainly sets forth that the money is for street improvements, sewerage and fire protection purposes. This loan bylaw was drafted without the aid of the city solicitor and was railroaded through the council in a most reckless manner. Beyond all doubt, it is one of the most vicious pieces of legislation ever enacted in British Columbia. By this ordinance the city might be victimized to a shocking extent, but, fortunately, the boldness of those who were willing, and very probably anxious, to see the city plundered, is not accompanied by any corresponding blindness as to those who have the welfare of the city at heart. It will be a very easy task to prove that this bylaw is ultra vires.

### Agreement "A."

After the last \$50,000 bylaw was finally adopted by the council on September 15, it was published for the space of time required by law. But the private agreement between the city council and The Trusts and Guarantee company, limited, of Toronto, has yet to be read in the public press. In the dark recesses of the city offices it is known as agreement "A." In the sinking fund bylaw it is referred to as "A certain agreement dated the 19th day of August, 1897." Some of the ablest lawyers in Rossland undoubtedly aver that this infamous document is a part of the bylaw and should have been given as much publicity as the bylaw itself. The only excuse that the Mayor can assign for it not being published is that Mayor Scott was too much ashamed of his deal to take the ratepayers into his confidence. Undisguised Hostility. By the agreement, the city council would have allowed The Trusts and Guarantee company, of Toronto, to fatten on the property of Rossland in a manner that would have made her the laughing stock of every city in the Dominion. This star-chamber document provides that the \$50,000 debentures shall be taken by the company. The city is bound to redeem them in 20 years, but under no circumstances shall it be allowed to redeem them sooner. No matter if the city can in a year or two borrow as much money as it requires at 2 or 2 1/2 per cent, it is absolutely prevented by the terms of this agreement from converting the loan to that basis instead of an exorbitant rate of six per cent. But this is not all. The Trust company binds the city to pay the six per cent per annum at half yearly intervals. This sum amounts to \$3,000 a year. Provision is also made that the sinking fund, amounting to \$1,479.05 annually, "without any deduction, abatement or defalcation whatsoever," shall be paid into the keeping of the Trust company at regular intervals and for a period of 20 years. In other words, the city is bound to pay six per cent for 20 years, and the company making the loan,

or its successors or assigns, is made the depository for the sinking fund and will have the use of it for the entire period of the loan. But the point that most affects the credit and prosperity of the city in the clause providing that the \$50,000 debentures shall be a first lien upon all real estate and improvements within the limits of the municipality. It makes all future indebtedness secondary to these debentures. MacNeill's Letter. The late city solicitor, A. H. MacNeill, while in office, endeavored to do his duty. About two months ago he wrote long communication to the city clerk, to the effect that the passage of the bylaw with these outrageous private agreements was most assuredly against the best interests of the city. The mayor has got hold of the letter, and while it was intended for the city council, his wishiness has so far deliberately suppressed it.

An Empty Treasury. By the acts of the city council, the corporation of Rossland owes \$100,000. The men who control the administration now demand that a further indebtedness of \$15,000 shall be incurred. It is claimed that half the sum is needed to complete the sewer contract and the balance for "current expenses." The "current expenses" bylaw is based upon the \$3,000 estimate. While that particular bylaw calls for \$7,500, the city clerk estimates that all that would be needed for the municipal expenses during the last three months of the present council would be only \$9,022. He arrives at these figures as follows: Salaries, mayor and aldermen, \$1,527; Police magistrate, 375; City clerk, 475; Assessor, 500; Stenographer, 150; Fire department and officials, 240; Due Mr. Sullivan, 125. Total, \$6,022.

The city clerk is an honest man, and, therefore, acknowledges that the revenues of the city from licenses and fines will fully average \$1,000 per month. At this rate, all the money needed for current expenses is \$3,022. The city council has never introduced a bylaw for the payment of salaries to the mayor and councilmen. The mere passage of a resolution to that effect is not sufficient. The discovery of this fact alone of \$1,500 more from the "current expenses" will reduce the deficit to \$1,522, which can almost be wiped out by immediately discharging the mayor's stenographer, the assessor, and by practicing a few other advisable economies. If the "current expense" bylaw is not a "job," there never was one.

The Sewer Contract. According to the books of the city clerk, the Davey sewer contract calls for \$7,456.60. This contract is a disgrace to Rossland. The sewer was built in direct violation of the provincial board of health regulations, and has been condemned as useless by every competent sanitary engineer who has inspected it. The completion of the sewer contract does not mean the completion of the sewer system. It is next to impossible to make the sewer a public convenience under the plans that were projected by the council.

The street ramors in connection with the sewer contract that demanded investigation. Careful inquiry has revealed the fact that there is something decidedly "rotten" in the course of a few days Tax Mixer will, it hopes, be in a position to show beyond all question how \$4,000 were disposed of by a certain Spokane attorney.

In little more than two months' time a new council will be in power which will, it is hoped, hold the welfare of the city in greater regard than their predecessors. It is believed that the council will be given the right to handle more of the public funds than can at present be avoided. Besides, it would be most injudicious to arrange for new loans until Ross Thompson has succeeded in annulling the \$50,000 bylaw which makes all indebtedness created subsequent to the passage of that bylaw a second mortgage on the credit of Rossland. One thing is certain, the financial standing of the municipality will not suffer for a little delay in voting more money with which to carry on the affairs of the municipality. The News of Trail. TRAIL, Nov. 8.—(Special.)—The steamer Lytton went to Nakusp yesterday to be thoroughly overhauled, and the steamer Trail has been transferred to a daily run between Trail and Northport. The new schedule has necessarily upset the schedule for the arrival and departure of mails in which the people are most interested. From Rossland mails are received at 8:50 a. m. and 4:50 p. m., and from the north and C. P. R. points at noon each day. For Rossland it closes at noon at 7 p. m. A daily service is now in force from Spokane.

### MINING NOTES.

The main air pipe leading from the compressor to the Le Roi broke Monday morning and operations were discontinued until the break could be repaired. Work on the East St. Louis has been temporarily suspended. The ore body in the Iron Owl is now wider than ever and the showing is most encouraging. Mike Shick, the well known prospector, came in Tuesday from Christina lake, where he made some good locations. He was driven out by the snow, which was two and a half feet deep when he left. F. H. Oliver is back from a mining expedition into the Selmon river country. An assay was made yesterday of ore from the new strike in the Dundee. The sample was taken from one side of the pay streak to the other. The rock contains 31 per cent lead, 27 ounces silver and 4.40 ounces of gold, giving a total value of \$151.72 per ton.

The War Eagle Consolidated Gold Mining company will have a meeting in Toronto on the 23d of the month.

## RATEPAYERS' MEETING.

The Mayor Called Upon to Explain the Bylaws.

The meeting of the ratepayers in the Imperial block Tuesday night to discuss the proposed money bylaws was attended by about 25 citizens. F. W. Roll presided. A number of speeches were made in opposition to the proposed loans and the meeting decided to request the mayor to call a public assemblage on Saturday evening, when the administration should appear to explain the necessity for putting through the proposed bylaws. At the same time the administration should present a statement, signed by the city treasurer, showing the financial position of the municipality up to date. Following is a copy of the request addressed to the mayor. Under the statutes the mayor is compelled to call the meeting. To His Worship, Mayor Scott:

We, the undersigned citizens, request you to convene a public meeting of the citizens of Rossland, to be called for next Saturday evening at some convenient place, to discuss the new bylaws and public affairs generally, and request you that a financial statement of the city's affairs, over the signature of the city clerk, be laid before the meeting: E. Hewitt, J. J. Franklin, Jno. S. Clute, Jr., J. E. Saucier, F. W. Roll, E. W. Northey, A. B. Claborn, John Edgren, J. H. Robinson, W. H. Jones, M. W. Simpson, C. O. Lalonde, C. O'Brien Reddin, Smith Curtis, Wm. Pye, D. Stuss, Alex. Miller, A. H. MacNeill, A. C. Sinclair, Goodeve Bros., A. Haugen, T. B. Morrow, Gordon Kennedy, T. G. Parker, John G. Bell.

## THE COUNCIL SURPRISED

John A. Manly to Begin the Manufacture of Gas.

In Accordance With His Request the Finance Committee Was Appointed to Confer With Him.

The city council held a meeting Tuesday evening, which was attended by all the members except Alderman Raymer, who is ill with tonsillitis. A requisition from the board of police commissions recommending that the police department be equipped with great coats, caps and stationery was referred to the finance committee with a request to act.

A requisition from John A. Manly, asking authority from the council to manufacture gas for lighting and heating purposes. Mr. Manly asked that a committee of councilmen be appointed to confer with him and his colleagues, relative to arranging for a settlement of scales and prices. The letter was a surprise to the councilmen, and the finance committee was instructed to confer with Mr. Manly. The chief of police was instructed to see that no coating on sidewalks be indulged in, and also to see that the sidewalks are kept free from snow and ice. Alderman Wallace gave notice that at the next meeting of the council he would introduce a motion dividing the city into wards.

Alderman Wallace called attention to the official statement of the city's financial position, published in THE MINER on October 24. The statement was up to September 30. According to the figures there presented, the city apparently had in the bank to its credit the sum of \$2,123.12, whereas the municipality is in reality without any cash on hand. The seeming discrepancy was explained by the city clerk, who informed the councilmen that the sum in question included \$500 interest due to the bank; about \$300 salary list, which was never placed in the bank, but was paid out on October 1; about \$300 in provincial and city poll taxes, which had been deducted from the city employees' wages and receipts therefor placed in the bank. The explanation was satisfactory. Then the council adjourned.

### THE GARD PLAYERS.

Five of Them Were Fined in the Police Court Yesterday.

The cases of the men arrested in the raid of the game in progress over the blacksmith shop on Spokane street came up before Magistrate Jordan Tuesday morning. They were 19 men arrested in the raid, but as it appeared that the greater portion of them were simply onlookers and had taken no part in the game the charges against all but five were dismissed. The five unfortunate men remained each pleaded guilty as charged. Siegel Boyd, who was running the game, was fined \$40, while P. Kennedy, H. Baird, James Riley and James Farrell, who were playing, were fined \$20 each. All of the fines were paid. The total fine amounted to \$320, and this amount will be turned into the city treasury. The sum of \$269.50 was confiscated at the time of the raid. Under the law this sum will be turned over to the Dominion government.

### KELLY MURDER TRIAL.

Evidence That Goes Hard Against the Accused Man. DOVER, N. H., Nov. 10.—In the Kelly murder trial this morning the early evidence had a bearing on the presence of the team driven by Kelly on the day of the murder. John De Blue, of Somersworth, said it was Kelly who was driving the team. This witness said Kelly had talked with him about starting a roof garden over a two-story sawmill. Chief Detective Carpenter, of Montreal, followed with the story of his examination of Kelly after the arrest. He recalled the confession made by the prisoner the next day, that he alone killed Mr. Sweeney. The finding of the bag of money, which Kelly said he had hidden it, was also described.

### It Is Feared They Were Drowned.

HAMILTON, Ont., Nov. 10.—It is feared that Robert Williamson and Louis Gilmore, of this city, were drowned with the crew of the steamer Idaho, wrecked in Friday's storm.

## A STRIKE OF GALENA

A Rich Body Five Feet Wide Found in the Dundee.

## ASSAYS AS HIGH AS \$72

Ore That Goes \$74.68 to the Ton Found in the Nebraska Girl—Lower Levels of the Le Roi Looking Well—Other Mining Notes of Interest.

J. L. Parker and Ernest Kennedy are back from a visit to the Dundee mine near Ymir, in which they have large interests. They brought back with them some remarkably handsome specimens from a late and important strike that has been made on that property. The strike in question was made on Sunday at a depth of 210 feet in the inclined shaft that is being sunk on the vein. The width of the vein is 15 feet and the shaft is six feet wide. During the progress of the work on the shaft small stringers of ore have been encountered, and these kept widening out and showing more distinctness as depth was attained. In places these are from 18 to 20 inches in width. On Sunday the big find was made, for then it was that the stringers widened out to a vein of five feet of galena ore. It is one of the most important strikes that has been made in the vicinity of Ymir. The assays of the ore, which were made in this city Tuesday, resulted as follows: One assay gave a return of \$72 to the ton. Of this 76 per cent was in lead and 48 ounces in silver. Another assay gave \$30 in gold, 9 ounces in silver and 42 per cent in lead, or a total of \$60 to the ton. The intention is to keep sinking on the lead until a depth of 260 feet has been attained. In the meantime such ore as is taken out in the course of the development work will be shipped to the smelter. This ore, it is claimed, will more than pay for the development work. Messrs. Kennedy, Parker and others, who have interests in the Dundee, are greatly elated over the strike, and say that they now feel certain that they have a mine.

### Will Soon Begin Work.

George E. Pfunder, who has been placed in charge of the Virginia by those who recently acquired control of it, in talking about the property Tuesday said that it was his intention to start the present strike as soon as possible, and as work can be used to advantage. He thought he would start with about 20 men. This force will be increased from time to time as they are needed for development work. The intention is to open the property properly and not to do any surface gathering. The people who have secured the control are ready to spend \$100,000 in the development work. One of the first works that will be undertaken will be the sinking of a double compartment shaft so that as depth is attained the country rock and ore that is taken out can be handled to advantage. Mr. Pfunder has the utmost faith in the future of the Virginia, and is confident that it will prove a mine when the proper quantity of work has been done upon it.

### A Strike in the Nebraska Girl.

Joseph B. Dabney, secretary-treasurer of the Wild Horse Gold Mining company, reports that a strike has been made in the Nebraska Girl, which is one of the properties owned by the company. On this property a tunnel is being driven in on the lead to where a depth of 350 feet will be attained. This tunnel has now been driven for a distance of 65 feet. A paystreak 18 inches wide has been uncovered which is very rich. The assay, which was made in this city Tuesday, shows that the ore goes \$74.68 to the ton. Of this 68 ounces is silver and 61 per cent lead. The indications are that the pay streak will widen out. The vein is six feet wide.

### The Showing in the Le Roi.

There is no more splendid showing in the whole camp that has been opened up in the 600-foot level in the Le Roi. For extent and value it even surpasses anything heretofore found in the great property. The west drift is now in 235 feet, and it has been in a magnificent body of chalcocite for the whole distance. In places the vein is 18 feet wide. A recent sample returned values of \$408 in gold and 6 per cent copper. It is yielding on an average \$60. Work will soon be resumed sinking the shaftway to the 700-foot level.

### The Great Western Struck.

The great strike on the Great Western has increased considerably in size and importance during the past two days. The entire bottom of the shaft is now in ore, and the ore body is believed to be seven or eight feet wide.

### The Lily May.

The new hoist on the Lily May has been installed and work has been commenced pumping out the shaft. The main ore body is showing up well.

### The Result of a Conspiracy.

RIO JANEIRO, Nov. 10.—The authorities are now convinced that the attack on President Moraes, and the killing of General Bittencourt, the late minister of war, last Friday afternoon was the result of a widespread conspiracy. The government's proclamation declaring the federal district of Niteroy in a state of siege has been ratified by congress.

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Copper	101 1/2	101 1/2
Lead	18 1/2	18 1/2
Zinc	16	16
Silver	57 3/4	57 3/4
Gold	125	125
Iron	33	33
Steel	20	20
Flour	8 20	8 20
Wheat	17	17
Barley	12 3	12 3
Oats	9	9
Hay	30	30
Timothy	30	30
Alfalfa	30	30

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