

Two Dollars a Year.

THE LE ROI SMELTER

Secretary Williams Gives His Ideas Regarding Its Location.

TRAIL CUSTOMS RECEIPTS

Nearly \$9,000 Collected in April From Customs and Inland Revenue—Tin-horns Have Cleared Out—Minor Events in the Smelter City.

Trail, May 12.—[Special.]—L. F. Williams, the secretary of the Le Roi company was in town yesterday. "We shall probably begin building our smelter about the 20th of next month," said Mr. Williams. "The site is still unsettled and it will hardly be decided upon in less than three or four weeks. However, in the meantime we shall have our plans completed and shall order the machinery, so that when the location is settled upon work may at once begin."

"The smelter may be built either at Northport or on Sheep creek, just this side of the line. A number of important considerations will influence the company in its choice. There are fuel, water and lime to be thought of, and each of these Northport seems to have the better end of it, for with the river at hand the freight rates on fuel and lime are lighter than on the other side. As for the fear of an import duty being placed on ore by the United States, that is not bothering us. One of the considerations that would induce us to build on this side of the line is the chance that Canada might put an export duty on ore. In that event it would be desirable to have the plant in Canada."

Will Build a Concentrator. "We shall build a concentrator in connection with the smelter, and that fact will have an important bearing on the location of the works. As an export duty, if put in force, will doubtless affect the raw ore, it would be desirable to have the concentrator on this side of the line if we build the smelter at Northport, for then we could export the concentrates duty free, as they would class as a manufactured product like matte. It is possible that we may build the smelter at Northport and the concentrator in Canada. If we can get a large enough supply of water we may build the concentrator close to the mine. Otherwise it will probably go on Sheep creek."

Customs Collections. The customs report for the month of April, furnished by the King's Customs Officer Gordon, is as follows: Value of dutiable goods, \$24,191; Value of free goods, \$3,821; Total value of entries, \$28,012; Customs collected, \$7,193.49; Inland Revenue, \$2,717.70; Total collections, \$9,911.19.

This report shows nearly \$1,500 more receipts than March, and is nearly equal to the month of February. It is expected that the customs for May will exceed \$8,000.

D. E. Stevens, of Kamloops, is the assistant customs officer at V. S. Key, who has been stationed in East Kootenay.

Local Brevities. Hector & Berg are building a large lodging house on the Bowery, next to the Victoria hotel. It will be a plastered building, 24x60 feet in size, and will cost \$1,500.

The swift justice meted out to the tin-horns who hung around Zedillo's gambling house, has given the crooked brotherhood ample reason to leave town, and most of those who were not sentenced at the recent trial have shaken the dust of Trail from their feet.

James Maloney, who was hurt by being run over by his team, is doing as well as could be hoped for.

A number of young people enjoyed a pleasant party given last night by the Misses Maude and Ollie Hanna, prior to their trip to Spokane, where they will enter school. They left on the boat this morning.

Paralytic & Monette, the jewelers, have moved into their new store in the Butler building on the Bowery.

Mining Notes. Work has been suspended on the Guttenberg, in the Salmon River district, because of the water in the shaft, which is down 35 feet. The showing is very good and work will doubtless soon be resumed.

The shaft on the Little Giant, on Lookout mountain, is now down about 15 feet and several men are at work. The indications are good.

The Salmon river is on a rampage and is higher than at any other time in recent years. The bridges on the South fork crossing and at Dunning's, were both washed out on the day before yesterday. The latter was a feet bridge about 60 feet long. The other was a wagon bridge 70 feet long and 20 feet wide built by the Kootenay Water Supply company. It cost about \$500.

HAPPENINGS IN NORTHPORT.

Wrecked Engine Still in the River—Skeleton Found in a Cabin. Northport, Wash., May 12.—[Special.]—The dining room in the depot at this place changed hands on Wednesday. Frank Rickett of St. Paul is the new proprietor. He comes well recommended, having been in the employ of the Pullman Dining Car company for some time. The river is rising at the rate of 12 inches per day, and the wrecked engine that fell into the river near the ferry has not been removed yet. It is nearly covered by the water. Mr. Corbin and Engineer Roberts were down to the wreck this morning investigating the work on the bridge and railroad. About 50 men are working on the grade on the opposite side of the river making a new landing for the ferry.

Some Rossland men are in town closing a deal for the Foster property on Deep creek. Messrs. Smith and Smith, the two barbers of this place, have put seven men to work on their claims on Flat creek.

Mr. Corear, a young man who lives on Deep creek, reports that he found the bones of a man in an old tumbled down cabin about one mile from his home. He said he found the skull and some of the limbs, which had the appearance of having been buried for a long time. No doubt it was the result of an old prospector who had been living there, and was taken sick and died without any one knowing anything about it.

SILVER BELL MINE

One of the South Belt's Most Promising Properties.

HOW IT IS BEING OPENED

Flat Is Down 80 Feet Between Two Veins Which Will Be Tapped When the 100-Foot Level is Reached—Good Surface Showing.

Many improvements and changes have been made at the Silver Bell property since the mine representative went out there last fall. He made another trip there yesterday and found it a very busy place. The best way to go there now is by the old Northport wagon road. This can be followed to the south end of Deer Park mountain, where the wagon road crosses the Red Mountain track. The railroad track can be followed for half a mile to the Silver Bell station, where a new wagon road starts up Silver Bell gulch, along the west side of the hill to the mine. It is almost a mile from the railroad track up to the mine, but the road is an excellent one and was made by the Silver Bell company for its own use.

A very compact and efficient machinery plant has been put in since last fall. It consists of a steam hoist, pump and drills. There was great delay in getting the machinery to Rossland, and after it arrived on the railroad it had to be hauled up to the mine on the snow. Its installation was completed about a week ago and everything is now running like clockwork. There are ten men employed and a power drill is in the shaft day and night. Manager G. A. Ponder throws a tremendous amount of energy into the development of this property. He is a careful, economical business man in good financial condition from the start.

The shaft has been put down 80 feet and will be sunk to the 100-foot level before crosscutting is done. No attempt has been made to follow the ore, but when the shaft was down about 60 feet a shot was put into what appears to be a wall on the hanging side and fine galena ore was exposed. The character of the ore of the Silver Bell is a rich galena. This is found on the surface in the form of carbonates, and these always run high. When the shaft was down about 55 feet a fine body of white quartz was exposed. Some mineral exploration was made to explore it, though it appeared to be well mineralized.

Mr. Ponder thinks his shaft is going down between veins, and that he has hit good ore in both when he reaches the 70 or 75 feet from the south vein. Mr. Ponder has been doing some surface work on both veins, and the north vein shows more iron, and probably carries a sulphide ore.

Mr. Ponder is doing all he can to make a mine of the Silver Bell. He has considerable bodies of iron ore on the surface of his ground, and if he finds any more bodies in his crosscut he will have a reasonably sure thing on a mine. The property is admirably situated for working as well as for the delivery of ore for shipment.

THE PILOT BAY SMELTER

Rumor That It Will Resume Operations About June 1.

Nelson Police Men Resign Sooner Than Accepted \$65 Per Month—Excursions on the Queen's Birthday.

NELSON, May 12.—[Special.]—It is reported on very good authority that the smelter at Pilot Bay will start up again about June 1. This will mean great things for the Kootenay lake country, as the monthly payroll should amount to about \$5,000.

City Policemen Winerals and Bigelow tendered their resignations to the council Monday evening, on the grounds that a salary of \$65 per month was insufficient. They contended that as corporation laborers were paid \$2.50 per day their services for 12 hours, with the added responsibilities in connection with police duties, entitles them to at least the same wages as laborers. The resignations were accepted and a new force will be appointed at once.

Two months ago Andy Dolan sold 30,000 shares in the Copper King group for 10 cents per share to Isaac Vipond of Montreal, who is connected with the British American Gold Mining company. On Saturday last Dolan disposed of another block of 20,000 shares in the same property to Ontario parties at the same price. This group is situated on Bear creek and comprises besides the Copper King, the Blue Jay and Diamond King claims.

The Nelson cornet band has been reorganized and a teacher has been engaged from eastern Washington. The band will go to Kaslo with the Oddfellows' excursion on the 24th.

The lacrosse boys have been asked to go to Rossland on May 22 to play the Rossland team. It is likely they will accept the proposition. The baseball team also contemplates a match with Rossland devotees of the diamond on Sunday, May 23.

Messrs. McArthur and Eastman are organizing a lodge of the Knights of Pythias in Nelson. If terms and arrangements are agreeable, Alderman Malone will build a three story building next to the Freemont house, the fifth story of the new place to be used as a Pythian hall.

Jack Campbell who has been so long manager of Alderman Teetzell's drug store, is about to open up business for himself in the booming town of Quartz Creek.

MINES STILL IMPROVING.

Kaffirs Lead the Recovery—Hall Mines Up 25 Cents—New Companies.—LONDON OFFICE OF THE MINER, 108 Bishopsgate Street, Within, E. C.

LONDON, May 11.—[Special Cable.]—Mines continue to recover under the lead of Kaffirs.

The new Fraser River Gold Mines was launched today. This is the first born of the New Gold Fields of British Columbia, Tappan's company. It has a capital of \$75,000 in £1 shares. Of which 50,000 are offered for public subscription. The Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill company's prospectus will be issued to-night under the auspices of the Bullion Corporation. Hall Mines are 25 cents dearer.

KAFFIRS BOOMING AGAIN.

LONDON MARKET. LONDON OFFICE OF THE MINER, 108 Bishopsgate Street, Within, E. C.

LONDON, May 10.—[Special Cable.]—There is a distinct recovery in mines. Kaffirs are fairly booming and British Columbians are firm. Vancouver Syndicate is flat at £5.

The prospectus of the Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill company is coming out to-morrow.

The New British Columbia Development corporation has been registered with a capital stock of £10,000 in £1 shares.

The Adventurers of British Columbia has been formed to acquire options and assist the owners in mining leases and in opening and developing the same. The prospectus refers to the vast mineral resources of the province. The capital is £25,000 and is already subscribed.

CANADA'S PREFERENTIAL TARIFF

Legality to Be Submitted to Imperial Law Officers. LONDON OFFICE OF THE MINER, 108 Bishopsgate Street, Within, E. C.

LONDON, May 7.—[Special.]—The Fairview company was registered yesterday with a capital of £100,000 in £1 shares. General powers are taken.

I hear that the legality of the Dominion's right to give preference to Great Britain in the matter of tariff reform will be submitted to high law officers of the crown.

ROOM IN FORT STEELE.

Population is Now About 1,000 and is Growing Rapidly. Walter J. King, of Fort Steele, arrived last evening from Spokane, Wash. He came down from East Kootenay on the Dominion on his first trip this season.

The one before said was wrecked. He reports things very lively in that section, prospectors and others going into the country in droves. Real estate in the town is advancing rapidly in price, and about 50 buildings are under construction. Two sawmills are running to their full capacity to supply the demand for lumber and a brickyard is about to be started.

Work was started on the Sullivan group last week and the St. Eugene is also getting ready to begin operations on a large scale.

The town of Fort Steele has a population of nearly 1,000, which is increasing at the rate of about 50 a day. The town boasts three good hotels and a banking house will open in a week or two.

IRON MASK IN GOOD SHAPE

Upraise From Big Tunnel Has Opened a Big Ore Body. Work to Be Resumed in the Shaft in Centre Star Gulch—Shipments Will Be Increased.

The Iron Mask will soon be in a position to produce a largely increased amount of ore. Recent developments in the mine have been of a very satisfactory character. The upraise from the long tunnel started at Centre Star gulch and ran through the Iron Mask into the War Eagle to connect with the old shaft of the rate of about 50 a day. The town boasts three good hotels and a banking house will open in a week or two.

The output of the mine has recently been about 80 tons a week. All of this has been hauled down to the Columbia & Western railroad in wagons and then transported to the Trail smelter. A new ore bin is now being built at the shaft house in Centre Star gulch, and a road will be constructed so wagons can load easily from the bin.

Work will also be continued in the Iron Mask shaft at the mouth of the long tunnel. Recently some very good ore has been taken from this shaft. The grade of all the Iron Mask ore is exceptionally high. Every ton shipped yields a handsome profit. The average in gold is perhaps as high as any ore in the camp, and it also contains a good percentage of copper. The Iron Mask company is now in good financial condition, and good reports may be expected of it from this time on.

MONTE CRISTO MINE.

Crosscut About Finished—Work on the Tunnel to Be Resumed. The crosscut on the Monte Cristo is still being run, but it will probably be abandoned today or tomorrow and the drill taken back to the clear ore in the footwall. A drift will then be started on the ore and continued indefinitely. The clear ore is fully as wide as the tunnel, if not wider, and ore will therefore be knocked down very rapidly. A carload will be shipped in order to get at its exact value.

MONTE CRISTO VEIN

It Is 25 Feet Wide and No Hanging Wall Yet. It Looks as Though Rossland Would Soon Have Another Big Mine—Facts as to the Assays—Shipment to Be Made Soon.

THE MINER has had frequent references of late to the good showing in the Monte Cristo. We are glad to say that the condition of the mine is improving constantly and that there is good reason to believe a large ore body has been found of profitable grade. About a month ago the face of the lower tunnel, then in about 600 feet, came into a mass of pyrrhotite several feet wide. Assays showed it to be pretty good grade—the best ever found in the mine up to that time. The tunnel soon cut through this ore body and was driven through barren ground for 10 or 15 feet when the ore was again encountered. Here still better assays were obtained, one running up to \$48 and the average being about \$15. The tunnel was continued straight ahead, no attempt being made to explore the ore bodies found. The face of the tunnel again came into barren ground and so continued for several feet when the ore was encountered for the third time in apparently greater mass than ever.

It was now resolved to run a crosscut in order to discover the width of the vein. This crosscut has gone through 25 feet of ore and vein matter. It started in on the foot wall and had not reached the hanging wall up to yesterday afternoon. The first five feet of the crosscut is in a solid clear pyrrhotite, no finer example of such ore having been seen in the camp, and it passed through five feet of mixed ore, the solid ore predominating, then through about ten feet of well mineralized ledge matter. It looks as though the ore was gradually being exposed as the hanging wall although there may be a radical change before the hanging wall is reached. Assays are being made every day of the face of the ore exposed by the crosscut, and those obtained last Friday showed \$10 and \$35. This is certainly an encouraging prospect. A round of holes was put into the best ore Thursday and the shots which followed that evening knocked down over 20 tons of fine looking ore.

Drifting will begin on the ore as soon as the crosscut is completed and a shipment will soon be made in order to determine more exactly the gold value. There is one decidedly favorable feature of the discovery: the ore carries a heavy excess of iron and will probably make a good premium for smelting purposes, and it will be a very valuable ore for fluxing.

It looks as though the Monte Cristo was close to being a great mine. It should be one, it would be the most important proof yet furnished in the camp that our iron ores gain increased value with depth. The surface assays of the Monte Cristo were always very low, running from a trace to a dollar or two.

JEWEL AND DENORO GRANDE.

Two Boundary Properties Being Developed by an English Syndicate. GREENWOOD, May 10.—[Special.]—Leslie Hill, engineer in charge, is actively pushing development work on the Jewel and Denoro Grande. The incline shaft on the Jewel is now down 130 feet. At 120 feet a station was cut, in drifts are being run both ways from the shaft on the lead. There are two shafts in each drift and very good progress is being made. The north drift is in 31 feet and the south drift 33 feet. The crosscut is just being started in the south drift.

The country rock on the hanging wall side of the shaft is quartzite. There is a good hanging wall all the way down, but no foot wall has been found yet. There came in a horse of green rock carrying iron pyrites, and a crosscut will be run through this to the foot wall. For the first 40 feet there was a streak of high grade ore on the hanging wall side. This ore averaged \$100 a ton in gold, but it was cut off by the ledge and horse of about 60 feet, but had suffered more or less disturbance. At the depth of 110 feet more ore was found but in bunches. A shaft has been sunk 12 feet through waste rock through the vein. The shaft is entirely in quartz which carries galena, iron pyrites and chalcocite, averaging \$14 in gold and six ounces in silver. At present there seems to be a very large body of ore in the Denoro Grande. The shaft of the Jewel is near the end line of the shaft of the Denoro Grande. It is claimed that the Jewel shaft for the Jewel will have to be run only 88 feet to reach the Denoro Grande shaft.

It is the purpose of Mr. Hill to work both mines from the Jewel shaft, for the Jewel is on higher ground and is not troubled with water. A steam hoist has already been put up and a compressor will be purchased if the showing continues to improve.

McMynn Bound Over.

Grand Forks Miner. The preliminary hearing of W. G. McMynn was held at Midway last Friday before C. A. R. Lambly, S. M., and Justices Kerr and Hodgson, upon a charge of shooting with intent to kill, filed by Mr. R. J. Wood, the injured party, before J. P. E. Gibson, on March 10. At the opening of J. P. on March 10, the prosecuting witness asked that the nature of the charge be changed from one of shooting with intent to kill to unlawfully causing grievous bodily injury. The evidence brought out at the trial is substantially the same as produced at the government investigation held last March. After the prosecution had closed their case the defendant declined the privilege of making a statement. The magistrates committed him to stand trial at the next term of competent jurisdiction, Justice

City of Spokane Mine.

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Dundurn Company's Meeting.

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Kerr dissenting, on the ground that the evidence produced was not sufficient to justify the issuing of a warrant of commitment. Mr. McMynn was allowed to go on his own security in the sum of \$200.

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W. S. Rugh and land.

JAPS AND CHINESE

Canada Not Bound by the Treaty Between Britain and Japan.

WOOD'S CHARGES DENIED

British Columbia Cannery Not Putting Up Patrick Salmon-McMullen's Civil Service Bill Withdrawn - Private Members Day in the House.

[From our Special Correspondent.] OTTAWA, Ont., May 10.—This was private members' day in the house. There was the usual batch of questions about dismissals, most of them unimportant.

Sifton said it was correct that the Regina Indian office was to be removed to Winnipeg.

McInnes, who is afraid of the influx of Japanese into British Columbia, asked if the government did accept the provisions of the treaty between Great Britain and Japan, because if they did so, then it would be impossible to prohibit or restrict the same.

Laurier said that when the government took office it found a notice from the imperial government regarding the treaty, which never had been answered.

His government at once replied that Canada did not want to be bound by the treaty.

Fielding in answer to a question said that the government had some information that there was something like a combination among some manufacturers, but not sufficient as yet to cause a reduction of duty.

Davis said the cost of the Hudson bay expedition steamer would be \$9,000 per month. Laurier in reply to a question said that the motor police at present numbered 711 officers and men.

McLack, replying to McLean, said the government did not propose to suppress the New York Sun from coming in the mails because of an article against the queen.

Maxwell reviewed the whole correspondence which appeared in the Globe of London, England, over canning fish in British Columbia and the charges made by Sam Wood that the cannery was putting up with piratical fish.

Maxwell denied all this and asked Davies for a statement. Davies said Wood finally admitted his mistake and apologized but still there were some people in British Columbia that believed there was some slight truth in what Wood had said, although the goods the cannery put up were acknowledged to be superior to anything in the country.

He, however, intended sending Prince to look into the whole matter.

McMullen withdrew his civil service bill for appointing supervisors. The government will deal with the matter.

LIKE A BARB WIRE FENCE

The Tariff Relations Between Canada and the United States.

Erastus Wiman So Describes the Situation—Says Canada is More Loyal Than Ever to Great Britain.

DETROIT, Mich., May 10.—Erastus Wiman of New York responded to the toast, "Better Relations With Canada," at the chamber of commerce dinner to night.

Among other things he said: "In full view of both sides of the border lines, 4,000 miles long, we see a depression, unequalled in universality, severity and duration, for the governments on both sides are intently engaged in building higher than ever the tariff wall. They are thus destroying about the only chance there is of a revival of commerce or an outlet for the products and manufactures.

"Cutting the continent commercially in two this tariff is like a barbed wire fence over which one brother cannot trade with another without paying tribute beyond the cost of production for both. British Columbia, comprising the greater half of the continent, now alone offers room for expansion. There are no new territories within the union into which the surplus population can expand. Employment is possible only in the northern half of the continent. Because another political system prevails in that region ought to be no barrier to commercial expansion in that direction.

"That the people of Canada are favorable to the closest relationship to this country is evinced by the fact that its new government has already shown itself ready to meet overtures by which the country can practically be united. Annexation is unnecessary, desirable and impossible. Canada is today more loyal to Great Britain than ever before. That the basis for a commercial bargain with Canada could be easily discerned by a commission of commercial men seems entirely possible and no feature in the career of either government would create a commission with this object in view."

HALL MINES SMELTER

Shut Down During Repair of Tramway—Calender Now in Full Blast.

Nelson Miner: The Hall Mines smelter shut down last Saturday night for repairs and will probably not blow in again for two or three weeks.

The furnace is being completely overhauled and rebricked and the tramway is having two new cables put up in place of the old ones.

The new 200-ton blast furnace is nearly finished, and the anticipation of its early completion a vast amount of custom ore is being contracted for and a large amount has been received from the War Eagle at Rossland.

The new calcining and refining furnaces have been housed and fires were started on the former last Sunday.

On Wednesday this furnace was charged with matte and already there is a quantity of it ready for the refining furnace.

The first treatment takes away the greater part of the sulphur, and the last eliminates the iron and also the balance of the sulphur.

on a lower level other cars are loaded from these bins and discharged directly into the calcining furnaces. From the time the fires were started there has been no hitch or break in the working and when both blast furnaces are running the roaster and reverberatory will probably be operated steadily.

Rush to the Yukon

Reports from the northwest are that a rush to the Yukon region in Alaska has set in early, and that a considerable number of men have already started for the north.

Some arrangements have been made to place steamboats on the navigable sections of the Yukon and in other ways to reduce the difficulties attending transportation to the region.

It is evident that the steamship and transport companies are working up a boom in their own interest, and current newspaper references to the great riches of Alaska must be received with caution.

Whatever the possibilities of the northern placers may be, it is absurd to talk of the "richest gold regions of the world," as we have seen paragraphs in print in exchanges here.

In any event the difficulties of the region are very great. The working season is short, the cost of living very high, and the risks to be undertaken seem large in proportion to the chances of gain.

Only those who are well prepared for the undertaking and able to take care of themselves in case of failure at first should try the Yukon country.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

THE CROW'S NEST LINE

All Agree That It Must be Constructed Immediately.

The Government Will Make Known Its Intentions in a Few Days—Probable Conditions of Construction.

TORONTO, Ont., May 10.—The Globe's Ottawa special says today: The government will make known its intentions respecting the Crow's Nest Pass and other railway enterprises in a few days.

At present no one outside the cabinet has any idea what is going to be done. The general opinion on both sides of the house is that no time should be lost in constructing the Crow's Nest line, and that the cheapest way to build it is to let the Canadian Pacific build it with government assistance; the government retaining substantial control of the rates and running powers and calling on the Canadian Pacific for reasonable concessions in the form of lower rates for the settlers in Manitoba and the Territories.

GOLD FROM CARIBOO MINE

Two Bullion Bricks Valued at \$17,500 Banked at Spokane.

SPokane, Wash., May 10.—[Special.]—Two gold bricks, containing 1,094 ounces of bullion and valued at about \$17,500, the result of the last clean up at the Cariboo mine, were brought down from Camp McKinney, B. C., this morning, and are now stored in the vaults of the "Traders" bank in this city.

In an interview today with M. M. Cowley, president of the Cariboo company, he said it was the intention of the company to expend \$30,000 in the purchase of additional machinery and other improvements at the mine this summer.

Work on the improvements has already been commenced. The 10-stamp mill will be increased to triple that capacity, and when all the machinery is completed and improvements are completed the output will be more than double that of heretofore. In view of the expenditure of this large sum of money President Cowley says no dividends will be declared for the present.

MRS. OPPENHEIMER'S ACT

Wife of Ex-Mayor of Vancouver Leaps From a Moving Train.

Both Her Feet Cut Off—Was on the Way to Philadelphia To Be Treated For Nervous Disease.

HUDSON, N. Y., May 10.—Mrs. David Oppenheimer, the wife of the ex-mayor of Vancouver, British Columbia, is in the hospital here, with both feet cut off. She was en route to Philadelphia to be treated by a specialist for a nervous disease and was accompanied by her husband and nurse. They occupied a compartment in a Wagner car on the New York Central Railroad.

Early today, when the train was a few miles above Hudson, Mrs. Oppenheimer flung herself from the car window. The wheels cut off both her feet. Amputation of both legs will be necessary.

OUR GROWING TRADE

Facts About the Increase of Kootenay Commerce.

Nelson Tribune: The figures issued from the port of Nelson for the first quarter of the current year are most encouraging. They do not doubt furnish the basis for the interest which eastern Canada is now evincing in the welfare of West Kootenay.

Three years ago it was almost impossible to interest Canadian capital in the mineral resources of West Kootenay. The pioneers of the district were in a measure left to work out their own salvation. Their work proved that their faith in the mines of West Kootenay was well founded. They developed the district from a prospective to an actual mining country.

For the first three months of the present year the exports of West Kootenay entered at the port of Nelson were valued at \$1,932,090; the imports were valued at \$401,818, and the duty collected amounted to \$89,964.12. The growth of Kootenay's trade can best be shown by comparison with the two previous years:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Value of Imports, Value of Exports, Value of Duty Collected.

The collections made under the head of inland revenues show similar increase. For the year 1895 the collections amounted to \$12,972.55; for the year 1896, \$26,840.54; for the first quarter of the current year, \$13,080.62. These figures show that there is a large and growing trade in West Kootenay.

The people of eastern Canada have come to see that if a portion of this trade it will be their own loss. West Kootenay can better afford to get along without Eastern Canada than can Eastern Canada get along without Kootenay's trade.

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DR. CAMERON'S CASE

Bostock is Investigating This Most Extraordinary Arrest.

CHANGE IN THE SENATE

Beohard's Place Not Yet Filled—Members of the Red Chamber Who Were Appointed at Confederation—How Thibaudeau Got His Seat.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 4.—[Special Correspondence.]—Hewitt Bostock, M. P., has given notice in parliament that he will bring up for discussion the arrest in British Columbia of Dr. Cameron, in July, 1896, on a charge of libel.

The history of this case reflects no credit on the country nor on any of the parties who were instrumental in the prosecution. Dr. Cameron was one of the original owners of the mines in British Columbia that were transferred to the Granite Creek Mining company. He heard reports that the affairs of the company were not being properly managed here and he came from the west to Ottawa.

A meeting of some of the Ottawa shareholders and directors was held and reports were submitted by Dr. Cameron and Mr. Brunel upon the condition of affairs at the mines. The report was subsequently printed and circulated by Dr. Cameron among his fellow shareholders in Ottawa.

Mr. W. L. Hogg, the secretary-treasurer of the company, considered that he had been libeled by the statements made at the meeting and in the circular. One of the directors told Dr. Cameron that criminal proceedings were to be taken against him and that he had better leave town. The reply was that all the facts mentioned in the circular would be proved, and the doctor intimated that he would only be glad to have the matter ventilated in the courts, and although at considerable inconvenience he would wait in Ottawa to receive the service of any papers. Dr. Cameron remained for some weeks after this conversation, and not hearing anything of the proposed action and it being necessary for his return to British Columbia, he went back to Granite creek.

Nothing further was done until September 2, 1896, when Mr. Hogg laid an information against Dr. Cameron, charging him with criminal libel, and a warrant was issued for his arrest. A detective was sent to British Columbia and Dr. Cameron was arrested at Granite creek, hurried into a stage coach and had to drive 35 miles to Kamloops, although in very poor health. He was not even permitted to see a lawyer. In October he was committed to stand his trial in November, but no indictment was laid before the grand jury. Dr. Cameron had to leave for British Columbia and return in March. The grand jury had two sittings in March but still no indictment came from the prosecution. Finally Dr. Cameron was released from custody.

The whole story from beginning to end reads like fiction and not from real life. A man is dragged out of a sick bed by a private detective, taken 3,000 miles to stand his trial for alleged libel. Six months elapse and no indictment is made, and after two trips across the continent the accused is removed from custody.

Vacancy in the Senate. There is just one vacancy in the senate. This has been caused by the death of Mr. Beohard, an old time liberal, who represented Irberville in the house of commons from confederation until he retired for the Hon. J. I. Tarte after the last general election. There is of course a scramble for the position, but it is not likely to be filled until after the session of parliament.

Since the liberals came into power last June eight new senators have been appointed to fill vacancies. At this rate the political complexion of the senate will be rapidly changed. There are 81 members in the senate. Of these 16 are liberals, two are independents and the remainder are conservative, so that about one-half the liberals have been appointed since Mr. Laurier came into power. In less than 10 years there will be a majority of liberals in the senate.

Mr. Laurier will no doubt pursue the same policy in filling up the senate as his political opponents did, and unless something very unexpected happens he has got ten years lease of power ahead of him. The school question has been amicably settled, and the new tariff is a greater triumph to the liberal leader than was the school settlement. Take the last decade and it will be seen that 44 new senators have been appointed, making more than one-half of the senate. Ten years, therefore, revolutionizes the whole Red-chamber.

Oldest and Youngest Senators. There are still six members who were appointed at confederation in 1867 alive. Senator Wark, who is one of these, and who is a liberal, is 93 years of age. Then there are Senator Dickey, father of the ex-minister of justice, 87 years; Senator Armand, 77 years; Senator Allan, 75 years; Senator Reesor, 74 years; Senator Miller, 63 years.

The youngest member of the senate is the Hon. A. A. Thibaudeau, of Montreal, who is 37 years of age and who was appointed by Mr. Laurier. It was Mr. Thibaudeau's father who resigned from his seat in the commons to give it to Mr. Laurier, who was defeated when accepting office in the Mackenzie government in 1877. Mr. Laurier did not forget this kind act, and this fact is seen in the appointment of young Thibaudeau. Mr. Thibaudeau, senior, sat for Quebec East, and Mr. Laurier has represented it ever since. No less than 17 new senators were appointed in 1896. While the liberals are pledged to reform the senate, very little can be done in this direction until a majority favorable to the government is found in the upper chamber.

Learned at Nelson. Nelson Miner:—From the best possible authority the Miner learns that arrangements are now being made in London, England, for the purchase of the Le Roi mine, and that the price at which it is being considered is \$1,000,000.

Newest Town in Kootenay

Nelson Miner: The newest town in Kootenay is Craigtown, formerly known as Craig's camp. It is situated on the North Fork of Salmon river, about six miles from the Nelson and Fort Sheppard railway. The town is the center of a rich mineral district and promises to become a place of considerable importance.

An hotel and several business houses are now being erected there. At present the settlement lacks roads and trails, but a petition with over 400 signatures has been forwarded to the government at Victoria asking the construction of a government wagon road from the railway track to a distance of nine miles up the north fork of Salmon river.

This summer many mineral claims in the vicinity of Craigtown will be extensively developed. Several prospecting parties are now working during the winter.

Finance Company's Meeting. The adjourned annual meeting of the Finance Gold Mining company, limited liability, which should have been held April 6th, was held yesterday afternoon in the office of Angus MacNish. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. J. T. McKenzie; vice-president, Wm. Rolfs; managing director, Jas. B. Powell; secretary-treasurer, (pro tem) M. H. Dobie. Board of directors: Dr. J. T. McKenzie, P. Hunter, Wm. Rolfs, M. H. Dobie, Jas. Burns, Wm. Godeve and J. B. Powell. The manager reported that the company had made most satisfactory progress. The board has purchased the following properties: Finance, Echo, Big White, Gladstone and Sitwash. Of these the first four are situated on Green mountain on the divide between Rock and Murphy creeks, and the last near Tread mountain in the Nelson district. On the Big White a shaft has been sunk to a depth of 67 feet with very satisfactory results.

Monte Cristo Mine. The situation at the Monte Cristo continues to improve. The crosscut has now run 35 feet, and the drill yesterday was in solid ore. This indicates that a good ore body will be found in the hanging wall. J. H. Sussmann, C. H. Hammond and a number of prominent men who happened to be in the city visited the mine yesterday.

Discovery of Free Gold. Nelson Miner: A find of free gold in white quartz has been made on a new claim adjoining the Eureka on Eagle creek. It is owned by John Holm, who at present is ground slicing the claim. No assays have been made. The main samples were taken from stringers and have excited much interest.

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LOAN BY LAW ADOPTED

It Provides For Borrowing \$20,000 June 1-Inquiry Started as to Sufficiency of Water Supply—Fire Apparatus Ordered—Minor Matters.

Considerable business of an important nature was transacted by the council at a meeting Tuesday night. The trades license bylaw, fixing the amount of license to be paid by merchants, owners of vehicles, and tradesmen generally, was introduced and passed its second reading. The chief features of the by-law are that the section which is supposed to cover the brokerage business provides for the exceedingly small license of \$25 per year, and that hardware, grocery, drug, stationery, and boot and shoe dealers are exempted from any license whatever.

Board of Works Report. A report from the board of works was the first matter considered at the meeting. The report contained a recommendation to have the city clerk write to Manager Kent of the Vernon and Nelson Telephone company concerning the location of telephone poles in Rossland. Also a recommendation that the appointment of an assistant city engineer be deferred for the present, as there is not sufficient work at present to keep such an official busy. The purchase of scrapers and horses to work on the street improvements was recommended, and it was suggested that Mr. Olmstead be communicated with in order that he might confer with the board of works in regard to keeping a pound. The application of Mr. Allan to build a wall under the sidewalk to support her hotel building was not granted, pending the examination of the plans for the wall, which must be submitted to the board of works. It was recommended that a letter be written thanking Mr. Corbould for building the steps from the Shaw hotel to Earl street, and that the city take charge of the steps. The report was adopted with all its recommendations.

The city clerk reported that \$500 had been received by the city in payment of liquor licenses.

The Water Supply. Alderman Fraser moved that the Rossland Water and Light company be asked immediately to confer with the Fire, Water and Light committee of the council, to ascertain if the supply of water in the reservoir is adequate at night to supply the need for power, and the possibility of need for fire at any time. It was stated by Mayor Scott that he had heard that the reservoir did not contain enough water on the occasion of one fire to furnish half the amount wanted, and that this state of affairs was due to the large consumption of water for power. The motion was carried.

Alderman Fraser offered a motion, which was carried, empowering the Fire and Water committee to purchase a chemical engine, hook and ladder, truck and hose reel.

Trades License Bylaw. The trades license bylaw was next introduced by Alderman Johnson. The amount of license to be paid for different privileges for the term of six months was fixed as follows:

Vehicles, \$2.50 each; (a person taking out four vehicle licenses shall not be liable for a license for the same vehicle); pack horses, six or over, for transporting goods only, further from the city than ten miles, \$5; pack horses for transporting goods and passengers within ten miles of the city, \$2.50; hawkers, peddlers, transient merchants, \$50; solicitors for outside concerns, \$50; auctioneers, \$50; billiard tables, \$5 each; bowling alley, \$5; circuses, per day, \$200; side shows, \$10; opera house, concert hall or music hall, \$5 per exhibition, excepting hardware, grocery, stationery, drug and boot and shoe stores, \$5; wash house, \$5; electric light or street car companies, loan or investment societies, \$25; fortune tellers, \$50; street or patent medicine fakir, \$25; first week, \$5 each following week, \$2.50; tradesmen, excepting hardware, grocery, stationery, drug and boot and shoe stores, \$5; second hand dealer, \$50; conveyancer (broker), \$12.50.

The bylaw includes a provision to the effect that the ringing of a bell on the street or the raising of a noise sufficient to disturb the public shall be considered a breach of the bylaw.

The Favored Trades. All, or nearly all of the above rates represent the maximum figures as prescribed in the provincial law. The council evinced a desire to impose the maximum in every branch of business, but when that was met the police commissioner, Alderman Wallace, who is in the stationery business, raised an objection to charging stationers a license. He contended that he was paying taxes enough without paying a license. After some discussion it was decided to exempt druggists, stationers, shoe dealers, hardware dealers and grocers from the payment of a tradesmen's license.

No Police Commissioner Yet. Alderman Raymer, when the license bylaw had been disposed of, introduced a resolution to write to the government at Victoria asking that the police commissioner for Rossland be immediately appointed. Mayor Scott at once announced that he would oppose the resolution. He said that the government had been urged by wire to make the appointment and he did not think further urging would avail anything. Alderman Raymer explained that the police commissioner is now flowing into the government coffers because Rossland has no police commissioner. Alderman Johnson spoke in favor of the motion. On the vote it was lost by a tie vote.

Government Refunds Nothing. The question was also discussed as to whether the government had the right to collect any licenses after the city was incorporated. It was stated that considerable money had been thus collected and the suggestion that a refund be asked for was made. City Councilor MacNeill stated that the government had already refused to refund any of the money

thus collected, and that tradesmen holding licenses issued by the government were not liable to the city for license until the expiration of the government license.

Mayor Scott said, regarding the police commissioner, that the license commissioners meet at Victoria, May 15, and that he fully expected the Rossland police commissioner would then be appointed.

City's First Loan. The money bylaw providing for the borrowing of \$20,000 for "works of immediate necessity," to be paid back in debentures to run 10 years was adopted. The loan will date from June 1 and the interest on the debentures, at the rate of six per cent, per annum, is to be paid semi-annually, on June 1 and December 1 respectively.

Asked for No Bids. Alderman Fraser moved that the bylaw as adopted be printed in the Gazette and in the local evening paper. The motion included no provision for the acceptance of tenders to get the lowest figure and named no price at which the printing is to be done. Alderman McPherson seconded the motion, which carried, all voting aye.

Alderman Raymer gave notice that he would introduce bylaws creating a pound for stray stock and a bylaw providing for the inspection of all meats sold in Rossland.

The meeting then adjourned until this evening at 8 o'clock when a special meeting will be held to pass the trades license bylaw.

HEMSWORTH IS HONORED

Royal Canadian Humane Society's Reward for His Heroism.

Hon. T. Mayne Daly Made the Presentation—Letter From the President—Jim a Modest Hero.

Shortly after 9 o'clock Tuesday evening at the International concert hall brave Jim Hemsworth was presented with the Royal Canadian Humane Association bronze medal for his heroic act in saving the lives of two of his fellow workmen, at the Young America mine February 7 last.

The Hon. T. Mayne Daly made the presentation address, and explained why such a pleasant task fell upon his shoulders, in the absence of Secretary T. A. Stephen, to whom the medal was sent for presentation. Mr. Daly also said he regretted the absence of Mayor Scott, but as Mr. Hemsworth had only arrived at 5 o'clock and wished to leave again in the morning, it had been necessary to make the presentation at once or postpone it indefinitely.

He then reviewed the facts of the case and read the following letter from the president of the Royal Canadian Humane Association:

HAMILTON, Ont., May 4, 1897. T. A. STEPHEN, Esq., Rossland, B. C. My DEAR SIR,—Referring to my last letter, I felt that Hemsworth's heroic act deserved a special mention of the investigating governors to consider the case instead of waiting until May. This has been held, and the brave fellow is awarded the association's bronze medal, which I send you by registered mail.

You mentioned that hero-like he would prefer not having any public admiration, still there is much to be gained by a public presentation, and I write you to get his permission to have the medal presented in as public a manner as possible, so that the people of British Columbia may know through the press that we have in Canada an association such as the noble society in England, which recognizes deeds of courage when one risks his own life to save that of others. Hemsworth, like every true hero, never thought to win applause by what he did. It was the last thing he thought of. What was uppermost in his mind was to save the lives of his mates and to take his own life in his hands to do so. He deserves all honor. Tell him for me that I hope he will be long spared to adorn the medal which shall be pinned upon his breast and that in long years to come in British Columbia his story may be told how Hemsworth saved his mates, as an example to others. Yours sincerely, ADAM BROWN, President.

Miss Elsa Annie was then called upon to pin the medal upon Hemsworth's breast, which she did amid prolonged cheers for the hero.

Mr. Hemsworth briefly replied and thanked them for their applause and the token bestowed upon him, and withdrew.

The medal presented is a large bronze one, on one side the crest of the association and on the other is inscribed: "Presented to James Hemsworth for his heroic bravery in saving the lives of men at the risk of his own in a mine at Rossland, B. C., February 7, 1897."

OPERA HOUSE CHANGES HANDS. Local Syndicate Has Leased It—Miss Beddard Will Be Manager.

The signing of the lease of Hart's opera house for a period of five years late Tuesday afternoon, consummated a deal by which a local syndicate of business men indicates its intention to furnish first class amusement in this city. The syndicate was organized through Weeks, Kennedy & Co., and is composed of a few wealthy men, who will spare no money to make the theatre a popular place of amusement. Many improvements will be made both on the exterior and interior of the opera house. The stage will be thoroughly overhauled and stocked with new scenery.

The theatre will be conducted under the management of Miss Lillian Beddard, who will be seen in a number of her successful plays. Arrangements are now being made to secure the best talent for Miss Beddard's support. In addition to the stock company a number of the best travelling attractions are now being arranged for.

IT RATTLED TUPPER

The Quebec Elections Were Too Much for Him and Foster.

LIBERALS MUCH PLEASSED

They Got 53 Out of 73 Seats in the Quebec House—School Question Forever Buried and the Bishops Taught a Good Lesson.

[From our Special Correspondent.] OTTAWA, Ont., May 11.—The only incident in the house today outside of the discussion of the estimates in committee of supply was the speech made by Davin in favor of placing agricultural implements on the free list. He moved an amendment to that effect to the motion to go into supply, but the conservatives would not call for a division. As the result of the elections in Quebec was being made known and it was seen that the liberals had made a great sweep in that province, the minister of public works, J. J. D. Evans, had all the liberals gathered with red roses, showing that rouge was trumps.

Foster and Tupper became annoyed and when the salary of the deputy speaker was reached Foster moved that it be struck out. The motion was taken in committee and it was lost by 30 for 50 against. Foster again moved that it be reduced by \$1,000. This too was lost by 36 to 51. The reason the attack was made on Deputy Speaker Brown was that he has been a thorn in the side of the campaign doing good work for the liberals. The Landalide in Quebec.

Full returns from Quebec give 53 liberals and 20 conservatives, with one riding in which the election has not yet been held. The Quebec ministers in the Dominion cabinet are greatly pleased at the result because it has forever buried the school question. The clergy still retained those constituencies in which they had suppressed all liberal newspapers. They will be protested and parties unseated on the grounds of clerical intimidation. The liberals are determined to secure freedom in politics and the best way to do so is by educating the habitant to vote independently of his priest on public questions.

Tarte Intervened. The Hon. Mr. Tarte on being interviewed by THE MINER's correspondent said: "Those who claimed that the vote in Quebec in June last was a scratch vote must be convinced now that the feeling in the province is liberal. Those conservatives of the Cartier school have forever disassociated themselves from the present conservative party. The electors of Quebec are determined to have political freedom and only all the rights of British citizenship. Those who do not see that must be blind to passing events."

British Columbia Affairs. It is understood here that Dewdney has been in communication with the Dominion government over the bill passed by the local government regarding the rights of aliens.

Minister Dewdney gave notice tonight of a bill to enable him to remove a number of vessels that are a danger to navigation without becoming liable for damage to the owners. The particular case calling for this legislation is that of the San Pedro, which lies in a dangerous position near the harbor of Victoria.

Justice Officers. An executive staff of officers has been appointed by order, in council to command the forces chosen to represent the Canadian militia in England on the occasion of Her Majesty's jubilee. The officer commanding is Col. the Hon. Matthew Aylmer, adjutant general. The cavalry will be commanded by Major J. D. Jones, the artillery by Major J. S. Hendrie, Fourth Field battery; the infantry and rifles by Lt.-Col. Jasman, Tenth Grenadiers; adjutant, Capt. J. C. MacDonnell, Royal Regiment of Canadian Infantry; quartermaster, Lt.-Col. Munro, Twenty-second Oxford rifles; quartermaster, Capt. C. N. Nelles, Thirty-eighth battalion, Dufferin rifles; medical officer, Surgeon Major C. W. Wilson, Third Field battery, Montreal.

The following additional officers have been invited to join the contingent, Major J. L. Biggar, Fifteenth battalion, Belleville; Lt.-Col. Humphrey, Sixty-sixth battalion, Halifax; Capt. Charles Dow Macdonald, Sixty-third battalion, Halifax; Major Hibbard, Third regiment, and Capt. Beckwith, Sixty-eighth battalion.

TWO THUGS RELEASED. Failure of a Prosecuting Witness to Appear Was the Judge's Excuse.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 11.—[Special.]—Two desperate thugs were turned loose upon the public this morning. That two were never given their freedom is due to their own mistake and their haste to get out of the way of the law.

At 10 o'clock on the morning of April 2, N. E. Brest, of Granite, Idaho, was attacked by a gang of men on the corner of Main and Stevens streets and robbed of \$130. The very fact that the robbery was committed in broad daylight and on a well-travelled street caused the police to exert every effort to capture the thieves. They succeeded in arresting four men: Thos. Murray, Chas. Dwyer, Robert Daley and Charles Kane.

They were all held over to answer before the superior court, and when arraigned pleaded not guilty. A week ago Murray and Kane changed their pleas to guilty and received three years in Walla Walla from Judge Prather. Dwyer's trial was set for this morning, but Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Kelly informed the court that he was not ready to go to trial until the afternoon had not been found. He was in the city somewhere and police and sheriff were trying to locate him.

The defendant's attorney said he was ready for trial and Judge Prather ordered the case to proceed. The jury was called and passed for cause by the state. The defense did likewise. Mr. Kelly informed the court that under the circumstances he had no evidence to offer and the attorney on behalf of Dwyer asked to have the jury discharged and the case dismissed.

At this point Judge Prather took oc-

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condition of affairs in the island. The document is of a private nature, but while it could not be presented to the senate, it is believed that it would be accessible to the committee.

SENATORS DISCUSS CUBA

Mills and Allen Want Immediate Action—Forker Favors Delay.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—The Cuban question occupied the entire attention of the senate today, the debating taking a wide range, and at times becoming spirited when comparisons were made between the attitude of the former administration and the present one on the subject of Cuba.

Senators Morrill of Vermont, and Caffery of Louisiana spoke in opposition to the resolution. Senator Lodge of Massachusetts and Forker of Ohio, advocated deferring the question until further information could be secured from the state department, and Senators Mills of Texas and Allen of Nebraska, urged the immediate passage of the resolution. The debate went over till tomorrow.

Forker, speaking of the policy of the administration, "So far as the administration is concerned, it is not undertaking to shirk its duty as Cuba. On the contrary, the administration will take its action in correspondence with that policy."

The policy of the administration, as I understand it, is to ascertain at once beyond peradventure the exact conditions existing in Cuba. It has taken steps in that direction. It will be but a short time until a report is made to the administration; a report made by the administration's own representative, a report on which the administration will feel warranted in taking action. In the meantime the senate committee has gathered the information to which I have referred and put the matter before the senate in such form that no senator will hesitate to take action.

Merely Wanted Samples. NEW YORK, May 11.—There is no truth in the report published today that the British government had ordered 20,000 transport mule wagons from a Cortland, N. Y., firm for use in South Africa. The facts of the case are that Cortland British government merely asking for samples of various wagons which will be shipped to Cuba. A satisfactory large order will probably be received for government use in the island.

Will Keep Its Eye on Chanak. NEW YORK, May 11.—The Chinese embassy, which is composed of his excellency, Chang, the viceroy of China, and his excellency, Li, special envoy from China to Queen Victoria's jubilee, and party will not arrive until tomorrow, after being delayed at Albany by a telegram from the state board of health at Albany advising the board to keep the party under observation as the Empress of China, on which the party arrived was lately in quarantine at Victoria.

San Francisco Firm in Difficulties. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 11.—The well established firm of Williams, Brown, & Co., wholesale shipping and commission merchants, is in financial difficulties owing to Australian consignees not meeting their bills. Its liabilities are said to be \$600,000, but its assets are believed to be sufficient to meet most of its obligations. Among the creditors prominent here which are known to be financially interested are the Bank of California, the London, Paris & American bank and the French bank.

Toronto Forger Captured. FORT WAYNE, Ind., May 11.—Tonight Superintendent of Police Corcoran arrested Carl Bauer, alias Louis Fisel, on the charge of forgery and embezzlement. He is wanted at Toronto for passing \$5 checks to \$50. The affidavits are made by the Bank of Hamilton since the Imperial Bank of Canada, Bauer confessed, but may make an effort for his release on habeas corpus.

Yvette Guilbert to Be Married. LONDON, May 12.—A dispatch to the Daily Chronicle from Paris says that Mlle. Yvette Guilbert, the celebrated cafe chantant singer, will be married today to Dr. Max Schiller. Dr. Schiller is a theatrical manager. Previous to his coming to America he was manager of the Berlin. He is 35 years old.

quack Doctors Scored as a Starter—Gratifying Reports.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 11.—[Special.]—Some 40 members of the Washington State Medical Society were present at Elk's hall this afternoon at 1 o'clock when the eighth annual meeting was called to order by the president, Dr. R. L. Thompson of this city, who delivered the annual address, in which he took occasion to unmercifully score the quackery conducted under the guise of the medical profession. The annual report of the secretary showed the society to be in an excellent condition, having a membership of 104. Dr. D. J. Russell was elected the representative to attend the meeting of the British Medical Society at Montreal next month. The society will be in session two days.

CUBAN FORCES GROWING. Private Report From Lee May Affect Fate of Morgan's Resolution.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—During the debate in the senate on the Morgan-Cuban resolution today, a strong plea was made for its reference to the committee on foreign relations on the ground that the state department is in receipt of recent official information on the Cuban question, which it is considered should be consulted before action is taken by the senate. This particular information to which reference is made, consists in the main of a report by Morgan-General Lee, dated in the latter part of April, in which he deals with the general situation and presents all the facts at his command without making any recommendations as to the policy to be pursued by this government.

In this report General Lee reports that the insurgents are not decreasing in numbers, but that according to the most trustworthy information at hand and to all appearances there are more of them now than when he went to the island. He explains the apparent want of organization by the statement that it is against the Cuban policy to conduct the war after the accepted modern ideas on this point.

The Cubans believe they can be most effectively by pursuing their present methods. General Lee also dwells upon

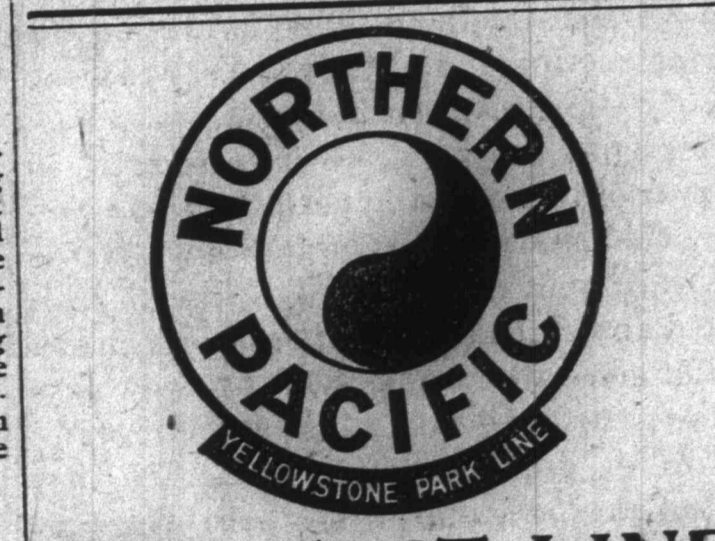
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LODGE MEETINGS. CORINTHIAN LODGE, No. 27 A. F. & A. M. Meets in Rossland Masonic Hall on the first Thursday of each month. Visiting brethren invited. H. P. McCRAW, Secretary.

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THE CROW'S NEST LINE. So far Kootenay has good reason to be dissatisfied with the conduct of the Canadian Pacific Railway company in the matter of the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass line.

This delay on the part of the Canadian Pacific railway constitutes a distinct breach of faith on its part, and will entail not only a great loss on the people of Canada and Kootenay in particular, but it will result in large losses to a great number of individuals and companies who are thronging into East Kootenay or sending representatives there.

As the C. P. R. has not begun the construction of the Crow's Nest railway early enough to give access even to East Kootenay this year, we are distinctly in favor of its not being permitted to occupy the pass at all. The terms which the government offered were as liberal as it had any right to expect, and we insist that since we have a year to wait anyhow, British Columbia should stand firm for a government road.

On one point British Columbia should be a unit. The C. P. R. is entitled to no more consideration and to no better terms than the government has already offered it. By its inaction East Kootenay has been dealt a severe blow. The immigrants who are setting into that country now can hardly remain there this winter without that railroad communication which they were promised, and what we predicted early in the season will come to pass.

THE WEEKLY ROSSLAND MINER gives you all the news of Kootenay once a week for \$2 a year. Subscribe for it.

SMELTERS FOR KOOTENAY ORES.

The Liberal association of Rossland represents the dominant element in the Dominion, and it most certainly voices the sentiments of the vast majority of the people of British Columbia and Kootenay. At its meeting Tuesday it adopted a very significant resolution, and one which those persons should bear in mind who are advocating the establishment of smelters for Kootenay ores in the United States.

In the face of this unfriendly legislation the Dominion government has put all machinery for mining, smelting and refining on the free list, though it is expected the bulk of our machinery will hereafter come from the United States.

To further foster the mining and smelting industries in Kootenay the Dominion has offered a bonus of \$10,000 per mile to the C. P. R. to aid it in building the Crow's Nest Pass line and at the same time has intimated that if that corporation is not prepared to build the road on these terms it will build the line itself.

When the Dominion is making such sacrifices to build up the smelting industry in this country it is the height of folly for alien mine owners to provoke the people of Canada to steps which they are reluctant to take, but which will assuredly be taken if the necessity arises. The miners has always opposed the placing of an export duty upon ore. This it has done in the interest of the mine owners.

If, however, the mine owners of Kootenay show any disposition in the face of the events we have recited above to ignore their obligations to the country from which their wealth is obtained and to build up the smelting industry in a neighboring state, we shall not only cease to oppose an export duty upon longer but shall urge its adoption in the interests both of Kootenay and the Dominion.

We think this matter might as well be understood now so that there will be no misapprehension about it in the future. It was the voice of Kootenay alone which defeated the Alien amendment to the Mineral Act. But for the vote by which it was adopted would never have been reconsidered. We are firmly convinced that in the matter of an export duty upon ore the attitude of Kootenay will be equally influential in deciding whether it is to be imposed or not.

EDITORIAL NOTES. The election of John Manly to the mayoralty of Grand Forks is a well deserved tribute to a man who is not only the father of Grand Forks but the whole Kettle river country and the Boundary district. He will no doubt give his fellow citizens a good business administration. His interests in and about Grand Forks are greater than those of anybody else, but even if this were not true he might be safely trusted with the administration of the affairs of the new city.

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Application for Liquor License. Notice is hereby given that Robert Hunter of the forks of Trail creek, intending to apply to the Licensing Board for a license to sell liquor by retail in the following premises: ROBERT HUNTER.

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"Companies Act," Part IV, and Amending Acts. "THE ROSSLAND GOLD MINING, DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT COMPANY" (Foreign). Registered the 2nd day of April, 1897.

Certificate of Improvements. Heather Bell and Livingston Mineral Claims situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: South of and adjoining the Sullivan creels, about 12 miles north of Rossland, B. C.

Certificate of the Registration of a Foreign Company. "Companies Act," Part IV, and Amending Acts. "THE DIAMOND GOLD MINING AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY" (Foreign).

Certificate of Improvements. Ramping Lion mineral claim situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the divide between Sullivan and Murphy creels, about 12 miles north of Rossland, B. C.

Certificate of Improvements. Kivi Scrabrous mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the divide between Sullivan and Murphy creels, about 12 miles north of Rossland, B. C.

Certificate of Improvements. Silver Bear mineral claim situated in the Ainsworth mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the divide between the South Fork of the Kettle River.

Certificate of Improvements. White Swan mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: East of and adjoining the Hidden Treasure mineral claim.

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Part IV, and Amending Act, COMPANIES (FOREIGN) Act, 1897. I have this day registered...

DAVIN TURNED DOWN

Conservatives Would Not Support His Tariff Amendments.

ONTARIO TORIES ARE MAD

They Met in Ottawa to Celebrate a Victory in Quebec But the Result Was Disal-Tupper Is Blamed for It All.

[From our Special Correspondent.] OTTAWA, Ont., May 12.—The time of the house was utterly wasted today from 3 o'clock until 10 tonight by Davin of Assiniboia. He insisted that he did not get an opportunity to divide the house yesterday in his motion to place agricultural implements on the free list...

QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

Premier Flynn Just Saved His Seat By Seven Votes.

MAJORITY LAST TIME 702

Other Ministers Had Narrow Escapes—Surprising Liberal Gains in Montreal, Montreal and Compton—Returns Show 61 to 22.

MONTREAL, Que., May 12.—Poll returns from Yamaska this morning give Montreal, conservative, a majority of three. Final returns from Gaspé give Premier Flynn, conservative, the election there by a majority of seven over the young journalist Marsil. These two gains, however, are immaterial in the face of the sweeping victory of the Quebec liberals. That the premier was not defeated may be some consolation, but the narrow margin of seven votes gives little cause for rejoicing...

THE BOARD OF TRADE.

THE MINER published a letter Sunday in which the Rossland board of trade was severely criticised for its non-activity. While we are not disposed to go so far as this letter does we are quite sure this organization has so far failed to fulfill its purpose...

WHO WILL BE MINISTERS?

Politicians Already Speculating on the New Cabinet.

MONTREAL, Que., May 12.—In Montreal it is almost a complete sweep, the only conservative elected being the provincial treasurer, Atwater, who defeated Cooke by a majority of 281. Cooke was elected at the last general election as a conservative in Drummond county, but the party served in the provincial administration. His opponent, the liberal, had run in that division Atwater would have been defeated. The indications are that the members of the Flynn government have been elected, with the exception of Beaulieu, commissioner of agriculture, who is badly beaten in Beauport...

No Sign Boards

To stop anyone from examining more than 250 feet of underground development work already done on Sunset No. 2. You can go and see for yourself how rapidly this work is being pushed, night and day, by three shifts of men. Sunset No. 2 is the property of the Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate, limited, is but one-half mile from Rossland, and will soon be a big ore producer. Subscriptions will still be received at par, 10 cents, for the remainder of the first offering of the fully paid, absolutely non-assessable shares of the syndicate. Anyone can go through the mine. There are no sign boards

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LESSON OF QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

Every province in Canada except British Columbia has now given the liberals a majority in the provincial as well as in the Dominion parliament. We do not believe there will be any exception much longer. The victory in Quebec will bring into line all those "Doubting Thomases" in British Columbia, who shuddered at the MINER's suggestion several months ago that Dominion party lines should be drawn at the next provincial election. It is done in every province and should be done here. The Turner government has proved itself on every possible occasion to be thoroughly in sympathy with the utterly discredited Tupper regime, and its policy, as exemplified at the session just ended, has evidently been modelled on that of the Tory leaders in Dominion politics.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

THERE is something radically wrong with the management of the Silver King mine. At regular intervals of about a month we are called upon to chronicle another shut down of the Nelson smelter. If that smelter is to depend on the output of the Hall Mines it should stay shut down until the mine is in shape to keep it running steadily. The present policy can never hope to result in dividends to the stockholders.

A REMARKABLE VICTORY.

Influences Which Helped the Liberals Overcome the Ministry and Schools. MONTREAL, Que., May 12.—Taking the campaign as a whole, it was one of the dull and unexciting. There was no great issue and no excitement. The liberal sweep is therefore all the more remarkable and cannot be attributed to the finances of the Ottawa government, because there was a general campaign against the liberal candidates and their friends that Ottawa would do little or nothing. There is no doubt that one important factor was the conviction that Mercur, who in 1894 was elected as the oldest French Canadian in public life in the province, had been unjustly dealt with. Statements to the effect that Mercur had made a deep impression, and the expression of the hope that his memory would be avenged, were heard in many quarters. Two of his ministers, J. E. Lacombe and Joseph Sheyn, were returned by a large majority.

MRS. ASPLAND'S MURDERER.

George Webster Committed to Stand His Trial at Spokane. SPOKANE, Wash., May 12.—[Special.] The preliminary examination of George Webster, charged with the murder of Mrs. Aspland near Cheney, on the evening of May 5, took place in Justice Backus' court this morning. There were less than 50 people present. The accused man was brought into court by the deputy-sheriff. His hangdog look did not benefit his appearance any. He did not look up once during the entire proceedings. His head was bent forward and hung down. His eyes moved rapidly from one side to the other and while he was apparently dead to all that was said it is safe to say not one word escaped him. The first witness was Andrew Aspland, husband of the murdered woman. His story has been told before and his testimony was substantially the same as that given in these dispatches. The only other witness was Deputy-Sheriff Brown, who made the arrest. His evidence was in line with his former statements. Justice Backus, after reviewing the testimony, held Webster to appear without bail before the superior court on the charge of murder.

WRECKED ON A REEF.

Foolhardy Trip Down the Columbia That Nearly Ended Fatally. TRAIL, May 12.—[Special.]—Clinging to a submerged rock in the middle of the Columbia, for five hours tonight, Joseph Murray battled for life against the wind and the waters. Murray, who is a lumberman employed by the smelter at the Waterloo camp, started down to a float on a rainy night about 10 feet long, milled together, and his comrades warned him against such a rash act. A few hundred yards above Murphy creek, at a point five miles above town, the raft of logs running fast out to the middle of the stream, and at the present stage of the river they are scarcely covered by the water. The current struck the raft and it was carried directly to them. The raft was splintered into thousands of pieces, but the man secured a hold to the rocks, and he drew himself a hold to the raft. He was taken on the raft and he was clambered on the reef, though his feet were in the water. His cries for help attracted the attention of some laborers along shore and they carried word to the steamers at Trail. The Lyon was run out hastily and with great difficulty Murray was taken on board. He was taken off the raft by Captain Forslund of the Trail and Fred O'Brien. They were nearly swamped in the eddy around the rock, but they got him off safely. Murray's only danger will be from the cold he suffered in the water.

World's Hardest Record Broken.

Chicago, Ill., May 12.—The world's record for 300 yards hurdle was broken today in the trial heats at the military and athletic carnival at the Coliseum, P. Ode, Chicago Amateur Athletic Association, going the distance in 32.5 seconds and Kraenzle, of the Chicago Amateur Athletic Association, making it in 27.2 seconds, the former record being in 38.35 seconds. Both men are students at the University of Wisconsin, though carrying C. A. A. colors in the carnival.

A BAD REGULATION.

THE MINER would be pleased to learn by what authority or on what ground passenger coaches on the Red Mountain are locked as soon as they arrive at the Rossland station and kept locked until the customs officer examines the baggage of passengers. We do not believe any such proceeding is necessary, and we are quite sure it is repugnant to a sense of personal respect and dignity. The evidence adduced at the coroner's inquest over the body of John B. Fisher, the man who shot himself last Saturday on the arrival of the train at the Red Mountain station, showed almost conclusively that Fisher mistook the object of locking the doors of the coach, believing, as he was a defaulter and a fugitive, that his arrest was imminent. For the passengers themselves, who happened to be imprisoned in the coach, the situation was most trying and uncomfortable. The passengers in the coach where the tragedy had occurred were unable to summon a surgeon or do anything for the relief of the dying man. Fortunately no women or children were there. If there had been the situation would have been even more distressing. We call attention to these details because we want the customs department to understand the situation just as it was, and with the hope some other arrangement can be made for the examination of baggage as at other ports of entry in the Dominion.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE O. K. COMPANY. HAMILTON, Ont., May 6. EDITOR MINER: Sir—here are quite a few among the subscribers of your paper who would be pleased to learn something concerning the finances of the O. K. mine near Rossland. Last spring there was a great deal of stock in that company, presumably treasury stock, sold at 15, 20, 25 cents and even higher. There was also sold or disposed of before January 14, 1897. Sufficient funds to have been on hand before the 10-stamp mill began to work this year. Your issue of April 29 just to hand gives the quantity of ore mined as 1,837 tons; quantity of concentrates shipped as 154 tons. Since, according to the graphed price in the Mail and Empire on our investment a loss of 4 1/2 cents per share, we crave the satisfaction of knowing whether the company is milling and shipping this quantity of ore at a loss or at a profit. Your courteous subscribers who are interested would be obliged if you could obtain for them some figures relative thereto. If these are not obtainable, what proportion of the stock would be entitled to a dividend? H. M. LISTER. Yours truly, [Signature]

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Kaffirs Continue Strong in London's Market—Americans Firm. New York, May 12.—The Evening Post's London dispatch says: The stock markets are quieter today with a reaction in some of the speculative stocks which have recently advanced so sharply. The tone, however, was distinctly firm. Americans were quiet but Western and Central Pacific, Norfolk & Western and Union Pacific. The close was steady in the street, but there was no business doing. Brazils were better again and Kaffirs were good.

OLD FRIENDS QUARREL.

Hickerson Has McKinney Arrested for Stealing His Trunk. Charles McKinney was released by Magistrate Jordan yesterday, after spending the night in jail. He was arrested Tuesday on a warrant issued at Northport, charging him with embezzlement. The information was furnished out by W. H. Hickerson, who alleged that McKinney had removed a trunk, the property of Hickerson, from Northport to Trail and had published various articles which were a part of its contents. Yesterday morning McKinney was brought before the magistrate and asked if he would return to Northport for trial. He replied in the negative, but advised that he was perfectly willing to return to Hickerson's property. Magistrate Jordan released him on this condition. The trunk is at the Arlington hotel at Trail.

COULDSIDES OF WORK.

May 4—Gold Brick. May 5—Red Bird. May 6—Lincoln No. 1, Daylight, Major, Guiding Star, Iron Clad, Tough Nut, Bald Eagle, Friction. May 7—Iron Queen, St. Mary's, Flamber, Nevada, Lone Star, Liberty, Gen. Friction. May 8—Little Vitta, Minnie No. 2, Columbia, Starter, Saturday, Maid of Avoca. May 9—Oakley, surprise No. 2, Gold Prince, Vulcan No. 2, Bonnie Doon. May 10—Gold Prince, Vulcan No. 2, Bonnie Doon, Modena, Maria, Skylark, Hanna, Carrie, Comco. May 11—Third Day. Certificates of Improvement. May 12—Tribby, Green Mountain. May 13—Big Trout.

Our Sales for the Week.

500 Great Western, 8. 2,000 St. Elmo, 7 1/2. 3,000 Elmo, 8 1/2. 1,000 Phoenix, 8. 500 Ramblin', 45. 2,500 Steamer, 10. 2,000 Butte, 2 1/2. 500 Monte Urato, 10. 1,500 Footman, 7. 3,000 Silver Bell, 4 1/2. 5,000 Diamond Dust, 1 1/2. 8,000 Dundee, 15.

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for Liquor License. Given that Rose & Thompson, Rossland, intend to apply to the Commission for the city of Rossland for a license to sell the building known as the block 66 at Rossland. ROSE & THOMPSON, Rossland, May 12, 1897. 4-29-97

KASLO NEWS NOTES

Great Activity Prevails in the Ainsworth Mining Division.

BORCHERS' BALL PLAYERS

Queen City Team is Now Complete—Linnard Will Build a Big Hotel and Dan Shaw Will Manage It—A Small Fire.

KASLO, May 11.—[Special.]—There is still considerable activity in the office of the mining recorder and records are multiplying at a very rapid rate. The Ainsworth mining division is an extensive one, and one is surprised sometimes to see on adjacent pages a list of records, notes of claims so widely separated as White Grouse mountain and Hall creek on the Duncan river in one direction, and the head of Kokanee in another direction. Yet the records are so promptly made after deposit that little difficulty is experienced in tracing the most recent transactions.

George S. Wallis of Ontario, has deeded to George D. Wallis and Edward E. King as "joint tenants and not as tenants in common" the mineral claims Globe and Anticline, located 15 miles west of the city of Kaslo, and one mile north of the Kaslo and Slokan railway.

The extraordinary agreement with reference to the Sir Charles and Almida mineral claims, situated at the head of Jackson basin, and signed by Tom Clarke on the one side, and Mr. J. H. Smith, Dwight L. Smith and P. J. Byrne on the other part, has again made its appearance in the books of record, because of the endorsement by which C. I. Gage, transfers and assigns to Harry "sager of Rosland," Gager also files a document in which he gives notice, as assigned, that the agreement remains in full force in all particulars, and all persons are warned to have dealings in the mineral claims mentioned in the document, to be submitted to the arbitration had upon the matter. The original document or agreement is cleverly worded, and seems to acquire much with little apparent substantial compensation.

Best to Ship Soon. George W. Hughes, the young veteran of the Slokan, was in Kaslo on Monday last, and more confident than ever concerning the district in which he has shown his faith by his works from the very beginning. He has been doing development work during the winter, and has a large ore body block out. As soon as the snow has disappeared he will continue the McGowan Creek road in the Best basin, and when this work is completed the Best will enter the list of shipping mines in the district.

Will Play for Kaslo. Manager George Borchers, of the Kaslo Baseball club, has completed his preliminary assignment of positions to the various players he has engaged for the season. His program at present is to have the following players: Catcher, Borchers; pitcher, Matthis; 2d base, Day; 1st base, Murphy; shortstop, Rankine; 3d base, Clark; left field, Murphy; center field, Kaufman; right field, Corbin.

Linnard Makes Investments. D. M. Linnard of Rosland has purchased two lots on the north side of Front street, east and west of the intersection of the street with the street, and will erect upon them at once a large hotel, reaching from Front to Water street. The property is centrally located, and the extensive basement which the situation affords will be utilized as a store house. Linnard is also being deeded the necessary fences and stands, and every effort will be made to have the grounds in readiness for the initial game on the 29th instant.

Municipal Matters. At a meeting of the city council held on Saturday evening last, it was decided to accept the recommendation of City Engineer Cummings to raise the grade of Fifth street at the corner of A avenue, so as to conform as nearly as possible to the buildings already erected under misapprehension. The council also fixed the rate for water applicable to breweries and bottling works at 75 cents per 1,000 gallons as measured by water meter.

Steamer Changes. The steamer Kokanee yesterday inaugurated an additional service to her previous runs on Monday afternoon. Hereafter she will extend her Monday's trip to the townships of Lardo and Argenta, at the head of Kootenay lake, and may during the period of high water attempt the lower Duncan river as far as may be practicable. These trips will be made weekly. The steamer Ainsworth returned on Saturday night last from Bonner's Ferry, bringing down several through passengers and a considerable amount of freight besides the regular traffic. The owners are so well satisfied with the results of the first trip that they have announced a regular twice a week service to the Ferry, calling at way places. This service will be of the greatest benefit to miners going into the White Grouse district and other places along the foot of Kootenay lake.

Local Breweries. John A. Whittier, president and manager of the Goodenough mines and a well known mining man of the Slokan, was married on the 12th of April at Charlestown, Massachusetts, to Miss

Ellen Fraser. Mr. and Mrs. Whittier are expected to reach Kaslo about the 15th inst., and will make their headquarters at the hotel. The Kaslo band gave another of their series of large audiences, who were much pleased by their fine playing and magnificent improvement. An incident in the Saturday afternoon illustrated the acquired water supply. What might have been a disastrous conflagration, started, prevented by the fire department, which was called through the roof when the fire was discovered. The brigade promptly responded to the call, and the fire was extinguished with slight loss.

BOTH LEGS BROKEN

James Maloney, a Trail Teamster, Run Over By His Wagon.

TRAIL, May 10.—[Special.]—James Maloney, a well known teamster who was formerly the merchants' policeman, was badly hurt yesterday morning by being run over by his wagon. He was driving down the steep road leading from the bench south of town, when his seat slipped and he was thrown forward beneath the wagon. The wheels passed over his two legs below the knee. He was hastily picked up and carried to the hotel where he stops, and Dr. Hoyes was summoned. It was found that a compound fracture had resulted, and the bones were set, though not without difficulty, and he is now resting tolerably easy.

GAMBLERS FINED HEAVILY

Joint Kept By An Italian Raided By The Police—Second Baseball Game Between Smelter and Town Teams Won By Former.

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NEW DENVER IS BOOMING

Buildings Are Going Up Faster Than Lumber Can Be Obtained.

New Hotels Arranged For—Many Mines Resume Work—Galena Farm Reported in Excellent Shape.

New DENVER, May 10.—[Special.]—Although for two months past this promising mining town has experienced a gradual building boom the real article is just at hand. As fast as lumber can be shipped in it is utilized and orders are sent for more. The delay caused by the freight blockade over the C. P. R. is costing the Slokan towns thousands of dollars monthly. Dozens of business blocks and residences partially finished and can only be pushed to completion and are waiting patiently to get into them.

Work on the C. P. R. buildings and wharf is being pushed with all speed. Orders have been received to have the wharf and buildings in readiness to receive the freight in ten days, and it is positively asserted that the new boat will be put in service, to handle freight at least, by the 18th inst. It is understood work on the Slokan extension will begin at that time, when the company will be in position to handle the machinery, rails, etc., for the construction train. The impossibility of getting this from Rosebery to Slokan City accounts in a large measure for the long delay in the work on the extension, the little lake boat being incapable of handling such traffic.

In the Mines and Prospects. Mining deals have been particularly slow the past week, although in a general sense the market is improving. The usual number of wildcats were pushed off to speculative individuals, who come in with a few hundred dollars to the up this class of properties for 30 or 60 days ago out again to find buyers, but it has been an off week for the property buyer.

The danger from snowslides has quite disappeared and once more the work on properties in the higher altitudes is up started. Six men are at work on the Bachelor, Twelve Mile. Work on the Vancouver group, Four Mile, is to be pushed. A Tacoma company will spend \$15,000 on the L. H. on Eight Mile, the Arlington and Fisher. Men will be employed on the Mary Durham, adjoining the Mollie Hughes, will be pushed this week. This is the season for doing assessment work and several parties leave here daily for their claims in the hills.

The Galena Farm. This property is proving all that was expected of it, and it is the opinion of experts who have seen it lately that, despite all the adverse criticism that has been indulged in by the English and some of the British Columbia press, as to its over-capitalization, etc., it will soon give monthly returns making it amply sufficient to pay satisfactory dividends than \$250,000. The property is 200 acres in extent and contains an enormous body of high grade concentrating galena. The working shaft is down 200 feet and a level is to be staked both ways on the ledge. The drift at the 100 foot level is showing up well. The present steam hoisting and pumping plant is soon to be replaced by water power, and the 150 ton concentrator and air compressor are soon to be put in position.

THIEF AND FORTUNE TELLER.

The Combination Got \$302 of a Spokane Man's Money.

SPokane, Wash., May 11.—[Special.]—The facts have just come to light concerning the robbery committed on April 27 last, when J. C. Glass, proprietor of the boarding car at the construction of the Great Northern bridge, just west of the city limits, lost \$300 in cash. The matter was kept quiet up to this time in the hope that the thief would be captured.

Glass had \$350 secreted in his trunk in the boarding car. Some one who evidently was aware of the money being there, opened the trunk with a false key and stole it. Glass discovered his loss the same day it was taken and came to the city and notified the police. He also consulted a fortune teller here, who for \$2 gave him a tip where the stolen money was to be found. Glass' faith in fortune tellers has waned considerably, as the tip he got failed to result in the recovery of the money.

width of four feet, which is the average width to the face of the tunnel. A 45-foot raise was made on this large ore body and a winze 35 feet deep was sunk.

At the mouth of tunnel No. 1 the main Josie shaft has been sunk and it is today 205 feet deep. Two power drills are employed in sinking this shaft, which is progressing at the rate of 15 feet a week.

This shaft shows perfect hanging and the foot walls of remarkably regularity and smoothness, and carrying from four inches to two and a half feet of ore against the hanging wall; the remainder of the vein material, consisting of mixed low grade ore, are of no present marketable value. Ninety-five feet from the surface the first level of the shaft has been driven easterly along the vein 330 feet. This level shows a perfect hanging wall, much mixed low grade ore and a small amount of ore of good grade. This level, however, is comparatively barren, and is, in my opinion, along the line of division between the upper or surface ore body of the mine and that which is expected to be encountered by sinking the main shaft. For the purpose of drainage, and that the main shaft may be sunk without any interference from the work done in the first level, a cross-cut tunnel, 275 feet long, has been driven, which cuts the vein at the 100-foot level. One hundred and forty (140) feet north of the main vein, on the north vein, a shaft 65 feet deep has been sunk. This shows ore ranging from two to six feet in width.

Near the south side line of the Josie, and the north side line of the Le Roi, an open cut, 40 feet long, has been made along the hanging wall of the Le Roi vein at a point where it enters the Josie ground.

The heretofore described workings, together with much minor development, consisting of open cuts, pits, shallow winzes, cross cuts, etc., and also tunnel No. 2, 65 feet long, and an air shaft 95 feet deep, which were upon the claim represent the total amount of work done on this mine to date. This work aggregates 1,850 feet of tunneling and cross cutting, 465 feet of shafts and winzes, besides the various minor workings.

One Mine and in Reserve. The estimated amount of ore in the mine exposed by the various workings is 25,000 tons. The estimated amount is one of a value of \$25 and upwards in the bins and on the ore dumps of the mine is 400 tons; the estimated amount of second class ore, of a value of from \$10 to \$16, is 5,000 tons.

Supplies.—The mine is well supplied with ore cars, rails, steel, explosives, chemicals and all other necessary supplies. Present Policy as to Shipping Ore.—A large proportion of the ore has an aggregate assay value in gold, silver and copper of from \$25 to \$30 per ton. Under present conditions, with present charges for transportation and treatment, it is well known that the net profit from these ores is little more than half what it should be were the company to realize all of the value contained after deducting the actual cost of mining, freight and treatment. Taking this fact into consideration it has been deemed advisable not to sacrifice so large a proportion of profit.

In the case of the large quantities of second class ore now upon the dump the time is not far distant when it can be reduced by some cheap concentrating or other process and yield a handsome profit.

Future Development. The history of the development in the Trail Creek district shows that in order to get beyond the region of superficial disturbance and faulting, and in order to ascertain the full width and extent of ore bodies, it is necessary to sink to considerable depth. This has been the history of the Le Roi, War Eagle, Iron Mask, Centre Star, St. Elmo, Monte Cristo and other mines in the district, and it is believed that were the workings of the Josie continued to the depth obtained on other properties, the vein would be shown to carry wide and extensive bodies of ore undisturbed. I therefore especially recommend that the main engine shaft be continued with all possible speed with this aim in view.

The present indications are that it will not be a great distance before the ore in this shaft widens to a large body of high grade. The fact that the Josie vein is remarkably persistent, has well defined walls, is of uniform course and can be traced for a great distance, convinces me that it is merely a question of development to show that this mine is one of the heaviest producers in the district.

The ore bodies encountered in driving this tunnel are as follows: Beginning at the mouth of the tunnel and going easterly 45 feet, an ore body averaging five feet wide was encountered. From this point to the first fault, which occurs 170 feet from the mouth of the tunnel, mixed material of a value at present not marketable was encountered. From the first fault to the second fault, a distance of 230 feet, the tunnel passed through ore averaging four feet in width. The second fault great difficulty was experienced in following the vein easterly beyond the fault. The tunnel was extended on mixed ore in a northeasterly direction until what has proven to be the North Josie vein was struck and this vein was followed easterly to the face of the tunnel. The tunnel has developed this vein for a distance of 170 feet, and shows over 60 years old. It was apparently ceased, and the drift was continuing 30 feet further in country rock. The diamond drill hole, heretofore referred to, shows that this is a point at which the main Josie vein takes its natural course easterly, and had this drift been turned to the east at the point where the ore ceased, it would have been on the main Josie vein. The greatest depth obtained by this tunnel is 245 feet.

Arrangements were made with the Poorman Mining company to use their tunnel, which has been driven westerly to the east end line of the Josie, and this tunnel has been continued westerly into the Josie ground, a distance of 165 feet, and is now 130 feet deep. After passing the Josie end line for the first 20 feet the tunnel exposed three feet of ore. At this point the ore body widened to a width of 16 feet, and continued of this width for 60 feet, when it narrowed to a

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It is the Principal Free Milling Gold Property in Kootenay and Has Been a Big Producer—Is Situated Near Nelson.

There was concluded in Nelson Tuesday night one of the most important mining deals of the season. It was the purchase of the well known Poorman mine, in the Nelson district, by a syndicate headed by Hector McRae and J. Fred Ritchie, of Rossland, for \$100,000.

The work on the Poorman consists of about 1,000 feet of tunnels, shafts and drifts. A crosscut is now being run to tap the vein at a depth of 320 feet. This tunnel is now in 140 feet, and will have to be run 160 feet further to tap the ledge.

NEARLY FATAL ACCIDENT

Passenger on the Red Mountain Road Shot in the Leg.

It Was in the Same Coach in Which Fisher Suicided—Hector McRae's Narrow Escape.

Another fatal shooting in the identical passenger coach of the Red Mountain railway in which John B. Fisher shot himself last Friday, nearly happened yesterday when a revolver which was being carried by a passenger was accidentally discharged, the bullet passing through the back of a seat and embedding itself in the leg of Edward Carlson, of Lewiston, Idaho, who was sitting across the aisle.

A strange coincidence in connection with the affair is the fact that Hector McRae, who was in the car when Fisher shot himself, was on the train yesterday sitting directly behind the seat in which the revolver was discharged.

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Booth-Tucker Indicted. New York, May 12.—Booth-Tucker, commander of the Salvation Army, was indicted by the grand jury this forenoon for maintaining a nuisance and disturbing the peace at the barracks of the army, No. 124 West Fourteenth street.

American Wagons for England. CORTLAND, N. Y., May 12.—The London agent of the Cortland Wagon company cabled today that he had closed contracts with the British government for a large supply of mule wagons.

Cigarette Making Pays. New York, May 12.—At the annual meeting of the American Tobacco company, held today in Newark, N. J., the annual report for the year ending December 31, 1896, showed a balance of \$3,884,688, against a surplus of \$3,600,572 for the year previous.

ROSSLAND MINING MARKET. Stocks Inactive but Prices were Fairly Well Maintained.

The stock market was rather inactive during the past week. Prices, however, were maintained and few stocks declined. The sales during the week were as follows:

Table with columns: Bid, Ask, Stock Name, Price. Includes entries like Mayflower, 11; Monita, 18 1/2; Morrison, 5 1/2.

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Development Companies. Brit. Can. Gold Fields, 10; London Gold Fields, 10; North American Mining, 10.

Spokane Closing Quotations. Spokane, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—The closing quotations on the exchange today were as follows:

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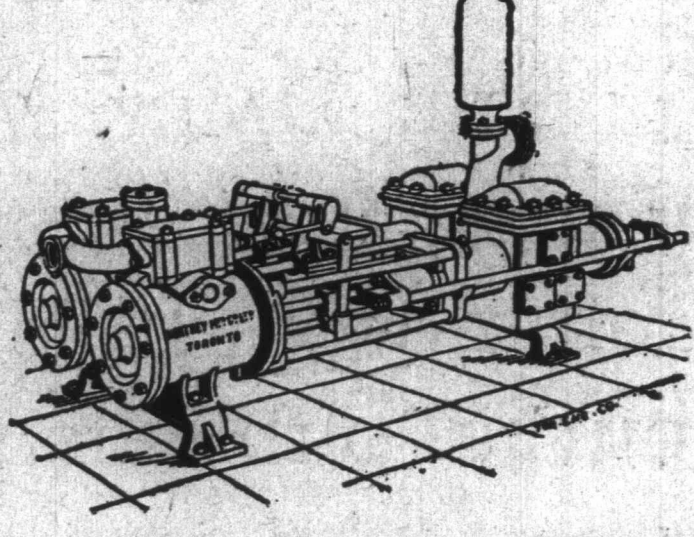
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Neither Foot Nor Hanging Wall in Sight and No Crosscutting Done Yet—Machinery Plant and Buildings Excellent.

George Haldorn, president of the Morning Star company, arrived from Butte Tuesday evening and went out with George Pfunder, superintendent of the mine, to see the new machinery plant.

The shaft is now down 108 feet and is being sunk in the midst of a wide ledge. Neither wall is in sight. The showing in the bottom is excellent, though no well defined ore body has yet been found.

The surface showing on the Morning Star is very strong in places, and is good reason to believe a large body of material now being taken out show very good values in gold.

TRADES BYLAW ADOPTED

All Retail Traders to Pay a Uniform License of \$5.

School Board Reports in Favor of Buying Five Lots in Block 21 for a School Site.

The council held a special meeting last evening for the purpose of adopting the trade's license bylaw. This was about the only business transacted.

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After the meeting, Mr. C. O. Lafond, chairman of the school board, called with a report on the matter of the school house site.

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A Correction.

Alderman Wallace says he was put in rather a false position by our report of the council meeting Tuesday evening.

His remarks on the license bylaw were in reality intended to be in the nature of a general objection to traders' licenses and not a plea to specially exempt a few merchants.

CANDIDATES FOR CIVIC JOBS.

Scramble for Places Under the New Administration in Spokane.

SPokane, Wash., May 12.—[Special.]—While the information is not official, still it can be stated as being almost a foregone conclusion that Chief of Police Hawthorne's official head will be among the first to fall into the official waste basket upon the new administration taking office on Friday next.

Those actively seeking appointment are Joel F. Warren, the well-known detective, Peter Mertz and M. J. Harbord, both ex-chiefs of the police department, and W. H. McKernan, a present member of the police force.

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IN LONDON'S MARKET

Interest in British Columbia Evincenced by Press and People.

MINES WOFULLY DULL

Only Cheering Sign Jim Hill Noted Was the Desire to Investigate the Resources of This Province—Several New Companies Registered.

LONDON OFFICE OF THE MINER. 103 Bishopsgate Street, Within, E. C. LONDON, April 21.—[Special Correspondence.]—We are now experiencing the unusual sensations that accompany a European war. Prices had a bad time for a little time, and then recovered sharply on the belief that the powers are sufficiently unanimous to be able to localize the struggle. For a wonder Yankees were among the most depressed stocks, and prices of American railroad securities fell heavily—unreasonably so in many people's opinions, seeing that the United States has no interest whatever in the struggle, except as an on-looker.

Our mining market has become so wofully dull that the news only helped to accentuate the dullness and depression which has been in operation for a long time now. The Kaffir market has got a bad fit of the blues, and this has been increased by the publication of a translation of M. Francois Pollak's essay on the Witwatersand outcrop and Deep Level mines, in which he shows that the anticipations regarding the Deep Level properties have been largely and unwarrantably exaggerated. Again we have our little struggle with the Kruger party, who, despite their apologies in the press, are by no means in a yielding mood. West Australians have also got the dumps, and the mining market here, in London, and also at Paris, is in the doldrums.

London Press and Kootenay. British Columbia is still accorded a good deal of attention, and one after another of our big dailies keeps making arrangements to be supplied with reliable news regarding the development of the country. I told you recently that the Financial News, one of the two leading financial dailies, had devoted a good column to a consideration of British Columbia's mineral output to date. The Financial Times has quickly followed with a long leading article, in which they traverse much the same ground, but make the somewhat important suggestion I cabled you yesterday, viz. that the government should appoint a public inspector of mines, whose report should be made to the government before a company was introduced to the public. This would, no doubt, afford protection to the investors, but I am afraid that there are many obstacles in its way.

Crow's Nest Line. Most of our leading financial journals are of opinion that until the great reduction in the rates to the northwest is known, which is one of the requirements insisted on by the Dominion government, it would be premature to congratulate the Canadian Pacific with having obtained a subsidy of £2,000 per mile for the construction of a line through the Crow's Nest pass.

Bank of Montreal Dividend. The London manager of the Bank of Montreal is advised by cable that the board of directors in Montreal has declared a dividend for the half year ending the 30th inst. at the rate of 10 per cent per annum.

Companies New and Old. The manager of the Mikado (Lake of the Woods) reports that he has 935 tons of ore on hand, running from 43 dwts. to 19 dwts.

The registration of the Malden Goldfields, limited, was published today. The capital is £100,000 in £1 shares. It is an offshoot of the New Goldfields of British Columbia, limited.

The Columbia Syndicate of London is not of great importance. The capital consists of £3,000 divided into 5,700 ordinary shares, of 10s. each and 150 deferred shares of £1.

Two companies, the Waverley Mines, limited, and the Diamond Jubilee Gold Mines, limited, each having £100 capital, have been registered on the same day by the same firm. The Waverley is one of Mr. Grant Govan's new enterprises and it is probable that the other venture originated from the same source.

McConnell's Report. The British Columbia Review last week published the first portion of McConnell's report on the "Geology of Trail" which was recently published in Trail Miners. It has been eagerly read and has attracted much attention.

Several paragraphs have appeared in the London press concerning a reported agitation that is said to be now going on in British Columbia with the object of excluding Japanese immigration. It is difficult to believe the truth of this statement, as there are probably at least 10 Chinese to one Jap in the province at present and legislation would have been directed against both if their presence was felt to be harmful.

Considerable attention has been aroused in London concerning the fast line of Canadian steamers which is said to have been definitely arranged.

McConnell's European Trip. I gather that President Hill has not been altogether fortunate in his mission to Europe, but he is impressed with the fact that there is plenty of money in Europe ready for investment, but there is a marked disposition to scrutinize securities and doubtful ones are severely left alone. This he attributes to Europe's unfortunate African and Australian ventures. He perceives that there is more activity abroad in mining markets

than anything else, but the only apparent interest that can be said to be active is the inclination to investigate British Columbia.

Regarding the rumor of the consolidation of the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific he says that their interests are entirely different, and that nothing new is going on now in the way of new construction.

Has 20 Feet of Ore Now. The showing in the Monte Cristo tunnel is now immense. The crosscut shows 20 feet of ore and still only one wall has been found. No assays have been made since Tuesday night so the value of the ore opened since then is yet unknown. The mine now looks better than it has ever done. Drilling on the vein will begin in a day or two.

Real Estate Market. The real estate market is looking quite brisk again. There has been more inquiry for lots this week than for a month past. More attention is being paid to the south half of town again and J. B. Johnson & Co. report the sale of two lots on Thompson avenue for \$750 to Albert Barrett.

TWO STEAMERS WRECKED

The Ruth and Gwendoline Both Wrecked on Kootenay River.

Captains Sanborn and Armstrong Had Difficulty in Saving Their 300 Passengers—Cargoes Went Down.

JENNINGS, Mont., May 8.—[Special.]—The two steamers of the International Transportation company—Ruth and Gwendoline—plying between this place and Fort Steele, were wrecked on the rocks in Box canyon on the Kootenay river, four miles from this place, last evening. The swift current swept the steamers on to a reef and both went to the bottom with their cargoes. All the passengers were saved, but not without difficulty. The experience was thrilling enough to last them a life time.

About five minutes past 8 o'clock last night the steamer Ruth, in charge of Captain Sanborn, attempted to come through the canyon. The current is very swift and it has previously been a dangerous part of the river, but owing to the removal of rocks there by the company all danger was done away with. The Ruth had almost passed through the canyon and was emerging into still water when a huge log got caught in the rudder and the wheel and made the vessel unmanageable. The captain, realizing the danger he was in, attempted to steer the vessel to shore, but the log had so fastened itself that he was powerless to turn the pilot wheel either way.

The engines were run full speed astern as that was the only means of clearing the rock, but it was without avail. The log, acting as a rudder swept the boat with almost irresistible force against a point of rocks nearly in the center of the river. The boat struck these rocks bow first, and was washed some distance upon the reef.

Captain Sanborn, knowing the danger his passengers were in, immediately ordered the gang plank put out on to the reef and all the passengers were thus walked over it on to a large rock that protruded some distance out of the water. He also made fast the bow of the boat to the rocks, secured the lifeboat and landed all the passengers on the shore.

Captain Sanborn had hardly completed his arrangements for saving his passengers and crew when the Gwendoline, which was not expected until next morning, came in sight around a bend in the river. Captain Armstrong was in charge of the Gwendoline. He saw how the Ruth lay on the rocks and also saw it was impossible for him to pass in the regular channel and attempted to take another course, but owing to the swift nature of the current and the short space of time it was impossible for him to do so and he was washed broadside into the Ruth. The passengers on board the Gwendoline became panic-stricken, and it was with difficulty that some were restrained from jumping into the river.

All were finally landed safely and brought down to Jennings. Both steamers are total wrecks. There are fully 300 passengers camped here awaiting transportation to the Fort Steele country. The loss of the steamers will be a serious blow to that district as it will be July 1 before the new steamer, now under course of construction, can be gotten ready for service.

BONDED FOR \$25,000. English Syndicate Acquires Big Four No. 2 Group on Murphy.

One of the largest deals ever put through in the mineral belt north of Rossland was closed Friday when Smith & Whiteman bonded the Big Four No. 2 group, on the middle fork of Murphy creek, for \$25,000. They are acting for an English syndicate, which has already acquired numerous interests in the Trail Creek camp.

The Big Four No. 2 group consists of six claims, covering about 300 acres. No work has been done on the claims except two assessments and they are all in the shape of surface cuts. These show well mineralized ledge matter wherever the capping has been penetrated. Average assays run from \$2 to \$7 in gold and about one per cent in copper. On one of the claims, the Dominica, is a nice ledge of free milling quartz which assays \$20 in gold.

Jo Jo's Fine Showing.

Work has been resumed on the Jo Jo, which joins the Commander on the Jo Jo northwest. A shaft was put down 15 feet some time ago, but filled with water. A surface cut has been run to drain this shaft and some rich copper ore has been encountered in dipping to the west. The shaft seems to run diagonally across the shaft. The ore is a solid chalcopyrite running fully 20 per cent in copper. It is somewhat lumpy and scattered as yet.

FROM GRAND FORKS

The Pathfinder a Kettle River Property of G. E. Promiss.

NEW MACHINERY PLANT

The Ore Body is Fifteen Feet Wide and Assays Show High Values in Gold—Development of Claims Will Encourage Railroad Building.

GRAND FORKS, May 7.—[Special.]—A great deal of interest is manifested in this city among mining men in the development of the Pathfinder property in Evans' camp, 15 miles from Grand Forks on the North Fork of Kettle river, which is believed by those who have examined it to be one of the most promising properties in this district.

The Pathfinder Mining company has been organized, with Thomas J. Parker as president, W. A. Pfeiffer vice-president, and J. E. Walker secretary and treasurer. One hundred thousand shares of treasury stock have been subscribed for by J. E. Gibson of Logansport, Ind., who has also promised to place enough more of the stock to permit active work to be carried on through the summer. The Pathfinder was located in 1895, and considerable work has already been done upon it. Four shafts have been sunk to a depth of from 10 to 15 feet, and the veins stripped by open cuts in a number of places. There has also been a 9x12 foot shaft sunk to a depth of 30 feet, with a 10-foot crosscut at the bottom, all in a high grade ore chute from the grass roots. The exact size of the ledge is not known, as neither hanging nor foot wall has been definitely located, but the pay chute in the present workings is about 15 feet wide.

The dump has been sampled and found to contain over 100 tons of ore, running from \$21.50 to \$38.50 in value. The company has purchased a pumping plant which is now in Spokane, and will be shipped to the mine as soon as three miles of wagon road are completed to it. The residents of Grand Forks are very hopeful of assistance from the provincial government in the matter of road building, and those in position to know, say that considerable provincial money will be spent for roads in this vicinity this summer. The mines are being developed far ahead of the transportation facilities, and an extraordinary effort will be made to supply good wagon roads.

As soon as a road is completed to the Pathfinder property, the company will order an air compressor plant and hoist, and it is expected that by November 1 the working shaft will be completed to a depth of 100 feet and work on a level begun and that a 10-stamp concentrating mill will be on the ground. The ore is of such a character that from \$6 to \$10 in free gold can be saved on the plates in milling, as shown by recent tests.

Some business men of the city consider that the railroad question hinges upon that of getting a sufficient quantity of ore on the dump to make it an object for the railroads to come after it, and the Pathfinder company is but one of the many in this district who will have a dump of rich ore by the time the leaves turn that will do a miner's heart good to see.

FIVE FEET OF RICH ORE

This Is What the Josie Has in the Deep Shaft.

An Unexpected Body of Ore Was Found Behind the Hanging Wall—1,000 Tons of Ore on the Dump.

There is a great improvement in the Josie deep shaft. Ever since the 100-foot level was passed there has been ore in what was supposed to be the hanging wall. This has varied in width from a foot to three feet and has been of good grade, the copper running from 12 to 20 per cent and the gold about \$40. The foot wall has been well defined all the way down and all the ledge matter heavily mineralized. When the 200-foot level was reached a round of holes was put into what was supposed to be the hanging wall, and the drill revealed four feet of solid, high grade copper ore. It is now known that the ore body is over five feet wide, four feet of new ore being found back of what was supposed to be the hanging wall. The shaft is being sunk without regard to the ore, and will be continued some distance before a crosscut is run or any attempt made to take out ore. The Josie now has over 1,000 tons of ore on its dumps, nearly all of it having been taken out in development work.

CITY OF SPOKANE MINE.

Some Rich Ore In Sight When the Shaft Down Was Ordered.

It now appears that the shutting down of the City of Spokane in this camp by the Lillooet, Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Fields was not caused by a failure to find good ore, but to other causes not now clearly understood. As a matter of fact the mine was in a very promising condition when the shut down was ordered. A streak of fine grained, high grade copper ore was encountered in the winze some time ago, and this was gradually widening. This ore ran nearly 20 per cent copper and fairly well in gold, carrying also some silver.

In appearance this ore resembles the rich copper ore of the Cliff and that recently found in the Centre Star. Those who have seen the ore are greatly pleased with it and have no doubt with such ore work will be resumed on the mine.

LOST CREEK MINES

Trail Experts' Description of Three Claims on Iron Mountain.

BANK OF B. N. A. BUILDING

A Handsome Three-Story Structure Going Up On Bay Avenue—Wat- rloo's Pioneer Prospector, Bob Sprout, Has Made a Strike on the Coast.

TRAIL, May 7.—[Special.]—William Claffy and F. G. Jordan are back from a trip to Lost creek, where they went to examine some properties in which they are interested. The snow in the hills prevented them from visiting all the claims they wished to see, but they looked over several and were highly pleased with the showing. They spent some time on the Jadwiga, the Iron Age and the Melrose, on Iron mountain. The same ledge runs through all three, and is traceable on the surface for a mile and a half. It varies in width from six feet to 21 feet, between walls of quartzite and schist.

About \$250 worth of work has been done on the Jadwiga, consisting of a 20-foot cut across the vein. The ore is clean iron sulphide, similar to the Red mountain product. A shaft is down six feet in the Iron Age, and the prospects there are likewise encouraging. The Jadwiga, which is owned by Thomas Wilson, Lew Mulholland, Angus Beaton and William Claffy, is being investigated by Portland people, who may take it up under a bond and lease.

Assays run from a trace to \$15 in gold, with an average of about \$17. There is also some silver present, though not in considerable quantities. The copper values average about 1 1/2 per cent, though tests have shown as high as 6 per cent.

The Iron Age is the property of Wm. Carmody, of Boundary, and the Melrose is owned by Carmody Bros. of the same place.

New Buildings Under Way.

Heard & Wescott have begun the foundation for the Bay avenue addition to their store. Mr. Haughton's building, on the adjoining lot, is well under way.

The new building of the Bank of B. N. A. on Bay avenue, next to the Miner office, is going up rapidly. D. Doig, the local manager of the bank, who has succeeded J. Smith here, expects the building to be completed by the middle of next month. The ground size is 25x50 feet and it will be three stories high. The first floor will be occupied by the bank; the upper one will probably be divided into parlors and sitting rooms for the bank officials and the third will comprise office rooms. The completion of this building will add much to the appearance of Bay avenue.

Personals and Events.

Bob Sprout, one of the earliest prospectors in the district, who located the well-known Waterloo group, is now prospecting on the coast, and word comes of a find of free-milling ore he has just made.

Perry Smith, a Roseland mining engineer, who has been looking over the North Fork of the Salmon, passed through town on his return to Roseland. The Knights of Pythias initiated M. A. Rush at their meeting last night.

The Pink, on Lookout mountain, which is the sister claim to the Joker, will undergo development work next week. The property has already been worked by an open cut to the extent of \$200, and \$300 more will at once be spent for the purpose of getting a crown grant.

H. A. Jackson, the traveling passenger agent of the Great Northern, is in town, and he brings with him a number of folders descriptive of the Kootenay district which his road has just issued. The descriptive matter consists of a dozen pages of conservative news regarding the country, and is accompanied by an excellent map of the whole of the surrounding districts. It is the latest pamphlet published regarding the Kootenays, and it is being liberally distributed.

Chris Macdonald, of the Grand hotel, Roseland, passed through Trail on his way to Bear creek, where he has a number of mining interests.

Angus Beaton, who was prospecting in the Big Bend, has left there because of the snow and is now on Slocan river. Tom Flynn, on Lookout creek, is in town. His new hotel, the Kootenay, at that place, in which he is interested with Messrs. Chisholm and McDonald, will be opened in a few days.

THE BOOK AT QUARTZ CREEK.

Real Estate Selling Like Hot Cakes and Settlers Arriving in Crowds.

QUARTZ CREEK, May 7.—[Special.]—Many people are arriving on every train, and the town presents a very busy appearance. The survey of the townsite is progressing rapidly and will be completed in two weeks. The survey of several blocks has been finished and lots in them are being sold by C. F. Jackson, agent of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railroad company. He has sold over 100 lots at prices ranging from \$100 to \$450. The lots are sold as rapidly as they can be surveyed. The new railroad switch will be completed this week and the new depot will be built immediately.

Louis Blane, of Roseland, will put up a sawmill and has secured the contract for clearing the townsite of timber.

The mines are progressing very satisfactorily.

Among the arrivals Wednesday was a party from Roseland made up of J. H. Susman, of the G. P. R.; C. S. Hammond, of Oler & Hammond, Toronto; Hans Giese, Imperial German consul at Tacoma, Wash.; Heinrich Neuhoff, of Germany, and John R. Reavis, of Roseland. Mr. Hammond has a number of claims here.

Bert Cook and Colonel Jenkins, of Roseland, are here and have bought real estate.

Hector McRae stopped off yesterday on his way to Roseland from the Slocan and bought four lots.

Nick Jerry, one of the first settlers, is going to Lillooet. His departure will be much regretted as Jerry is very popular.

SALMO NEWS NOTES.

Empress of India Reports a Strike—Big Showing on the Canadian King. SALMO, April 7.—[Special.]—J. D. Hunt of Spokane, is in Salmo, and is planning to put a number of men at work on the placer grounds here in which he is interested.

Gus Peterson has gone to his claim, the Nelly Bly, three miles from Salmo, with a large pack train and a crew of men. He will do some active development work on the property.

F. Burns, the meat merchant, is building a meat market 30x40 feet in size, on Main street.

The Canadian King Gold Mining company has commenced building a wagon road to its property, which consists of four claims. The company has put in 11 open cuts, and a shaft on the Canadian King. The lead is from 40 to 100 feet wide, and assays go as high as \$29.

A strike of six feet of solid ore is reported from the Empress of India. The sir William Wallace has been bonded to Roseland people.

Work will soon be started on the road between Lost and Sheep creeks.

1,500 PROSPECTORS OUT

Hills Around Grand Forks Being Thoroughly Gone Over This Year.

English and French Company Lets a Big Contract—The Bell's Shaft and Ore Showing.

GRAND FORKS, May 5.—[Special.]—The English and French Gold Mining company, which owns a group of seven claims on the east side of the North Fork, about eight miles from the city, has let a contract to H. P. Toronto of this place, for a large amount of development work, which will be begun as soon as a few preliminary arrangements can be made. Considerable work was done last fall on the Bonaparte and Bonanza, both of which are making a good showing, and it is the intention to continue the work on these claims and also develop the Mayflower and Grand Forks Belle.

The Keough Gold & Copper Mining company, composed of Salt Lake parties, will complete four miles of road to their property in Summit Camp at once, and continue active work upon the B. Bell, which has been suspended on account of the shaft filling with water. Double compartment shaft has been sunk to a depth of 80 feet, and the vein here is 10 feet wide and carries from 35 to 135 ounces of silver and 20 per cent copper.

Some heavy machinery will be put into this property this summer. A shaft is being sunk on the Minneapolis, 15 miles up the North Fork from the city, and at a depth of eight feet the ore body is five feet in thickness and assays \$250 across the vein in gold, copper and silver.

The steady stream of prospectors continues to pass through the city and scatter into the hills, and it is estimated that there must be at least 1,500 of them operating in this vicinity. "Jim" Clark, formerly superintendent in the War Eagle of Roseland, passed through Grand Forks on his way to visit the Eureka, on the reservation, in which he has an interest.

MADE A PLUCKY STRUGGLE

Ed De Young Fell From the Northport Bridge Into the River.

Kept Himself Afloat and Was Rescued—Died in Spokane as Result of His Injuries.

NORTHPORT, Wash., May 6.—[Special.]—Ed De Young, one of the workmen on the railroad bridge across the Columbia, fell from the top of one of the spans which was 60 feet from the surface of the water. He was employed as a logger and many who knew him said he was an expert brigeman and had worked on the steel bridge across the Missisippi, but he became dazed while working here and fell. In his fall he first struck some braces of the false work and then went tumbling into the river below. The man fought vigorously for his life, and while in the stream kept himself up and floated down stream until he caught in some drift where he was secured.

Although he was horribly bruised he stood by him. He said his leg was broken and at the same time he raised it up with his hands. His face was cut from the nose to the lower part of his chin. Some of his teeth were knocked out. There was also a deep cut on the back of his neck.

After he had been taken care of, friends gathered to see him and to one he said, "I guess I am gone, I am smashed all to pieces." He was yesterday taken to Spokane yesterday and the report to Spokane yesterday and the report to Spokane today that he died while on the road. His wife, who lived in St. Paul, was wired to come at once to Spokane.

Gravity Water Supply.

L. Sundeau, of Spokane, has decided to open up the lake on Silver Crown mountain, just back of the town, and bring the water into town. The lake seemingly has no outlet, but it is supposed that it is all spring water. However, Mr. Sundeau has fully decided to open the lake up, and Mr. Hughes has agreed to give him the right of way through his place provided the work is begun within two months. At certain seasons of the year the lake overflows and runs down over Mr. Hughes' place, thus making a natural course. The people of Northport feel elated over the good news and will appreciate the accommodations.

All Mining Machinery Free.

Finance Minister Fielding, in his great speech in the house of commons introducing the new tariff bill, had the following to say on the subject of the free admission of mining machinery: "We recognize the great mining industry of the country by placing on the free list all machinery exclusively used in mining enterprises. We do not confine it to mining machinery made in Canada, but we say it is more important to develop the mining interests of Canada than even to make a few machines in Canada, and so we put mining machinery exclusively used for the purpose of mining enterprises on the free list."

Coke For the Smelter.

The coke for the smelter, which has heretofore come via Sayward on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, whence it was hauled by wagon to Trail, will be brought in by way of the Red Mountain and Columbia & Western roads as soon as the former road is cleared. All through the winter the smelter used close to 60 tons a day, but wood is now being substituted for it, and only about 25 tons daily is received. There is a popular impression that the coke used comes from England, but as a matter of fact, while a little comes in from Great Britain, the bulk of it is brought in from Cokeville, Wash. The recent work on the St. Charles, a

MONEY GOT MIXED

Barney Macguire Got Thirty Days For Helping a Friend.

BUDGET OF TRAIL GOSSIP

Columbia River Jumped Up Two Feet Again Yesterday—Laying Out a Tennis Court on Smelter Hill—Travel By the River Route.

TRAIL, May 6.—[Special.]—Poor Barney Macguire is in trouble and it's all due to the sympathetic heart that beats in his bosom. Mr. Macguire has a friend, Ben Turpie, who has been engaged this winter in the neighboring wood camps. Last night he came into town bringing with him a large, plump roll which constituted his winter's savings and proceeded to celebrate. Just then he ran against Barney, his old-time friend, and Barney, who is nothing if not agreeable, consented, and the two proceeded to paint the town a vivid vermilion.

In the course of time Mr. Turpie began to feel the effects of the good liquor he had taken away, and he got down to slumber in a saloon. Mr. Turpie still had a fair-sized portion of his roll tucked away in his clothes, and the little signs of parting the same. Barney Macguire relieved him of the money, for the praise-worthy purpose of keeping the others from stealing it. Then Mr. Macguire ambled forth to continue the festivities, but during the course of the evening he used his accounts, and next morning he found that he had spent not only his own cash, but also the funds belonging to Mr. Turpie, which he had taken into safe keeping. To account for the loss he made a very foolish thing; he said that he had seen pockets while the latter was drunk. But the officers of the law found out just how things stood, and this morning Barney was sentenced to 30 days in jail for the justice court, though Mr. Turpie, who lost the money, refused to prosecute his friend.

Signs of the Times.

Perhaps nothing better illustrates the cosmopolitan character of the camp than the big piles of baggage brought in by the incoming arrivals and perhaps, also nowhere can a queerer assortment of traveling bags and boxes be found than in those same heaps. And the labels on the boxes bear mute witness to the many strangers who come. There are big, sturdy English trunks, and gunny sacks in which are packed away the possessions of some prospector. Next to a brand new steamer trunk will lie the soiled and battered valise of some new-comer from the states. Big leather packing cases of some drummer are heaped up beside the big costume trunks of members of a theatrical company. The theodolite cases of a surveyor jut in from the hills mingle socially with the cases of a chappie from the old country. The little wicker traveling box of a tourist lies tumbled together with the big canvas pack-sack of a gold hunter.

As for the labels, they point to London, to Liverpool, to Glasgow, Paris, Christiansia, Australia, India, to towns in Texas and to towns in Maine—everywhere, in fact, that cord has zone of the strikes in the Trail Creek district.

Notes About Town.

The Nakusp brought down a good-sized passenger list this afternoon. George Dozios and wife left this afternoon for a two months' visit to Ottawa.

John P. Petersen, of the Crown Point hotel, and Arthur O. Dick took the Nakusp this afternoon for Nakusp to look after their mining claims. The break-down on the Red Mountain road today sent the passenger train traveling Trail and two cars of the train which were chuckful of passengers for Roseland.

Moore & Bates have opened a stage line between Trail and Roseland on which they operate two four horse coaches. They leave Trail at 9 a. m. and 3 p. m., and Roseland at 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. The big scow used at the foot of smelter hill for unloading wood, which broke small stones today, and was captured, was careening gaily away down the river towards Portland.

One of the ropes to the ferry broke this week while the boat was amid stream, but the ferry drifted back to shore and no harm was done. Work has been begun on the tennis courts which some of the ladies and gentlemen connected with the smelter and railroad will build on smelter hill, near the mess hall. Two courts will be laid out, and they will be fitted up in first-class shape. The surface will be laid with a mixture of slag and clay to a depth of about two feet, which will give a fine elastic ground.

The Mac Machine company is building a warehouse in connection with its plant. Six carloads of supplies are now on the road. As soon as the warehouse is completed the company will commence the smelting of its foundry for producing heavy machine castings.

The general rains of last night all along the Columbia valley sent the river jumping up again today, and it rose about two feet. The water from the cleared places is flowing into it is getting decidedly muddy, and the river itself is about as dirty as it is ever seen. All in all the stream has now risen about 15 feet above its lowest point, and the channel in places is 75 feet deep. The water level is between 800 and 1,000 feet wide now.

SHATTERED NERVES AND PARALYSIS.

Shattered Nerves Developed Nervous Prostration—Nervous Prostration Developed from Paralysis of One Side. I tried many remedies, but all in vain. I thought I would try South American Nerve, having seen it advertised in the New Westminster, B. C., papers, and I am glad to be able to say that the result after taking three bottles was an astonishment to myself and family. It worked wonders for her and we can not speak too highly of this great remedy. No case too acute or of too long standing to defy its wonderful merits. Sold by McLean & Morrow.

KIDNEY PAIN.

John Snell, of Wingham, Ont., was in a Maelstrom of Pain and Agony from Dis-eased Kidneys—South American Kidney Cure was the "Welcome Life Preserver"—It Relieves Instantly and Cures Surely. "Five years ago I had a severe attack and caused intense pains in my back and urinary organs. I suffered untold misery, at times I could not walk, and any standing position gave me intense pain. I became worse so rapidly that my family became alarmed. Just at this time I noticed South American Kidney Cure advertised. Although I had little faith left in any remedy—having tried so many worthless ones—but a drowning man will grasp at a straw, and I procured a bottle. In a few days it had worked wonders, and before half a bottle was taken and I was totally relieved of pain and two bottles entirely cured me." Sold by McLean & Morrow.

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WAVE OF

Nelson Clubs Arra Jubilee

WANT TWO

Boat Club Has Oared Boat to Sixteen New C by Members.

NELSON, May 7. only a year old the boast of a fine, com capable of accommo is in every respect tion. A four-oared be built within a size and make a possession of the c member of the Am tion of England, an son club, says he will cheerfully co athletic organizati paring an attracti celebration of Jub is his opinion, how of several others, w regarding the b ration should be enable visitors t though they enjoy t is the intention arrange a series of scull and yacht r good prizes will be may presents a plac of water for boatin an evidence of th taken in this delib mentioned that been ordered for and others.

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STEWART RIVER DIGGINGS.

It is to be hoped in the interest of the country at large that the Dominion government will not accept either of the three tenders for the exclusive right to mine on Stewart river.

The Laurier government has made no serious mistakes since it went into office and the MINER is very hopeful that it will carefully consider this matter and take no further action in the way of trying up such an extensive area of placer ground.

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fers to our district half a dozen times in the editorial columns of his April number and in every instance it is in the way of an odious comparison or a sneer.

Another statement regarding Rossland is often made, viz., that it is "the greatest gold-copper camp in the world."

We are quite sure the "comment" in the last line is not one which would be endorsed by Mr. McConnell or any other friend of this camp.

Later on in the same article is this:

Of the different metals mined in the whole province gold (from quartz) shows an increase of \$45,689, silver adds \$123,460; lead \$189,139 and copper \$143,724.

The inference from the last paragraph is that the only hope for gold to take first place in the "discoveries opening up in Lillooet, Yale and East Kootenay"—nothing in this direction being expected of Rossland.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

If the C. P. R. delays much longer beginning work on the Crow's Nest Pass line the country will be justified in assuming that it has been bluffing all the time, and Minister Blair will be in a position to plan a government road through southern British Columbia next year.

The visit of Messrs. Blair and Donville to the province last summer is already bearing fruit. They are sufficiently familiar with the needs and conditions of the country to make most admirable representatives, even if they were not already tried and true friends.

The rush to the Fort Steele district promises to be of greater magnitude than any similar movement in the northwest for many years.

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Great promises were held out by the president as to the immense amount of good to be done by the energy he would throw into the undertaking.

I would now like to remark—after a quarter of a year's interval or thereabouts—that the president and secretary seem to be going to sleep while matters of vital importance are hurried along the stream of time.

For instance—it has been left to Mr. McKane and the members of the stock exchange to look after the real property and mining interests of our town at the critical time when we were threatened with the passage of the Alien act.

Not a word has been said by the board of trade on the important matters of the Liberal party, although these by-laws affect every trader in the place.

Not a single step has been taken towards securing the erection of a smelter by the Le Roi or any other company in or near our town.

In these and other important matters the board of trade is dumb. Our subscriptions have been taken under pretences which are shown to be useless if not worse.

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HE COMES FROM SEATTLE.

New Secretary for the Kamloops Mining and Development Company.

Mr. Barnes has arrived from Seattle to take the secretaryship of the Kamloops Mining and Development company.

SUNSET NO. 2.

Nearly Three Feet of Good Ore in the Tunnel.

The face of the new tunnel on the Sunset No. 2 now shows a fine body of ore. The tunnel is in 80 feet, but the depth is not yet great.

Randolph Adversely Settled.

The adverse filed by Chester Glass, the owner of the Brooke claim lying just east of Rossland, has been settled.

Le Roi Smelter.

Dr. A. O. Sinclair, chairman of the Liberal association meeting of Friday night, in compliance with a resolution on their behalf, named Joseph Powell, O. Lalonde, J. B. McArthur, A. N. Easton and Mr. Gow in the Sloan district.

Idaho Group Not Yet Sold.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 7.—[Special.]—A. E. Humphreys arrived in the city this morning from a business trip to the Sound.

T. J. Lendrum Married.

The Irish Times, of Dublin, of April 22, contains the announcement of the marriage of T. J. Lendrum, ex-mining recorder at Ainsworth, to Kathleen Alice, daughter of the late Robert Mayne, C. E., of Dublin.

English Expert Comins.

Ayr (Scotland) Advertiser: H. McClymont, of London, who is at present in Ayr on a visit, means to proceed to British Columbia on the invitation of gentlemen there to examine several mining properties.

Josie's New Board of Trustees.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 8.—[Special.]—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Josie Gold Mining company held today, the following board of trustees were elected: George T. Crane, Frank Loring, O. G. Labere, A. G. Avery and F. E. Snodgrass.

CROW'S NEST ROAD.

Blair Will Not Permit the Government's Policy to Be Deranged.

BRANCHES IN KOOTENAY

Canadian Pacific Wants Some More Charters, But Blair Says They Don't Go Until the Crow's Nest Question Is Settled Satisfactorily.

[From Our Special Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, Ont., May 6.—Blair once more testified at the meeting of the railway committee today that he is British Columbia's best friend.

Blair Put His Foot Down. The new secretary asked leave to construct a railway between some point on its present line between Nelson and Robson on the south and Revelstoke on the north with branch lines.

The government had not all the information at hand to go headlong into the matter of granting.

Blair—I have it from both the president and vice-president that the Canadian Pacific intends building through the pass.

McClure of Colchester was introduced in the house today.

McInnes will ask in the house on Monday as to the British treaty with Japan, and if the government intends to take any action under the treaty to restrict or prohibit immigration from Japan.

Will Lecture on the Province.

W. T. Cooksley, the stertipolical lecturer on the subject of British Columbia, its gold fields and cities, arrived last evening and will spend two weeks in the Kootenays before he proceeds east on his tour.

FLEADED FOR MERCY.

Dr. Hamilton and Constable Butard Sentenced For a Serious Offense.

TORONTO, Ont., May 8.—There was a very affecting scene in the court this morning, when Walter Hamilton, a medical student and Policeman Butard, came up for sentence.

George Koche, aged 21, convicted of common assault, was sentenced to four years at Kingston, where he had already served several terms.

Dick Croker's Colt Ran Third.

LONDON, May 8.—At the Royal Windsor May meeting today Richard Croker's chestnut colt Westchester ran third in the race for the Remeny selling plate of 100 sovereigns for two-year-olds and upwards.

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Table with columns: DATE, DESCRIPTION, Silver, oz., Lead per cent. Rows include Sept. 2, 1896, No. 1, Galena, and Sept. 2, 1896, No. 3, Carbonates.

Assay made by WM. J. TRETHERWAY, E. M., Kaslo.

Table with columns: DATE, DESCRIPTION, Silver, oz., Lead per cent. Row includes Oct. 23, 1896, Galena, (tunnel).

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THE ROAD

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FULL APRIL

Also Smaller for "Swedes" Claim Washington C. Baseball Team

KASLO, May 8.—[Special.]—The Kaslo and Shlocan rupted and trains very nearly on schedule.

The bulk of the Colorado. The usual, to the Omaha, Nebraska-Kaslo.

The ore shipment of 150,000 pounds, or 1,132,998, being at ton. There were 741 ounces of silver, 21 ounces of gold, and an average of 48.03 per cent.

The rush for locates still continues, the impression of many even yet floating in the water.

There is a number of ordinaires in the claim, in which the maker has a half interest.

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THE ROADS ARE BAD

Consequently Receipts of Ore at Kaslo Are Much Decreased.

FULL APRIL SHIPMENTS

Also Smaller for the Same Reason—'Swedes' Claims' in Dispute—The Washington Concentrator Resumes Baseball Team Organized.

KASLO, May 8.—[Special Correspondence.]—While the train service on the Kaslo and Slokan railway is uninterrupted and trains have been running very nearly on schedule time, and passenger traffic is large, the deliveries of ore at the Kaslo station have fallen off largely because of the difficulty of transportation upon trails and roads which are still impassable. The Payne group has for instance entirely disappeared from the list of shippers, as also has the Whitewater. The Payne road was constructed late in the autumn, and was merely a sleigh road. It is now being almost entirely reconstructed and put into order for summer work. Meanwhile the force at the mine has not been lessened, and a large quantity of ore is being stopped and development work is proceeding, so that the group will resume its accustomed place as soon as the roads will permit. Water is giving trouble at the Whitewater and the upper portion of the road is still in bad condition. The force at the mine has been temporarily reduced but will be replaced as soon as work can be profitably prosecuted.

Ore Receipts and Shipments.

The ore receipts at the Kaslo station for the week ending May 6 have been as follows:

Pounds.	
Slocan Star	240,000
Noble Five group	231,973
Rath	15,000
Slocan Boy	34,000
Autioise	35,000
Jackson Group	20,000
Total	719,173

The bulk of this ore goes to Pueblo, Colorado. The Slocan Star ships, as usual, to the Omaha and Grant works at Omaha, Nebraska.

The ore shipments from Kaslo during the month of April amounted to 2,966,000 pounds, or 1,498 tons, valued at \$132,998, being at the rate of \$88.79 per ton. There were contained in these shipments 1,439,200 pounds of lead and 172,741 ounces of silver, which will give 115.31 ounces of silver to the ton and an average of 48.03 per cent of lead. As compared with the previous month, the shipments for April show a very considerable decrease, which is to be ascribed to the early breaking up of the roads. This difficulty will continue during the current month, but after that the shipments will increase, as it is said the Kaslo mines will shortly increase to at least four cars per day.

Mining News.

Ed Rooney of Rossland, has sold to Charles S. Warren and C. W. Callahan of the same city, an undivided two-thirds interest in the Nob Hill mineral claim, situated upon the west slope of White Grouse mountain.

A number of prospectors who went into the Lardo-Duncan country intent upon the discovery of mineral in the place, have been compelled to return, as they found the snow entirely too deep to permit of effective work upon the mountain.

The rush for long date miners' certificates still continues at the office of the mining recorder, as many seem to have the impression that the alien clause may even yet find its way into the mineral act. Several have been issued for five years, and a still larger number for three. There is also an unusually large number of ordinary bills of sale being recorded.

L. E. Diller has placed upon record in the mining recorder's office a document in which he makes a claim that he is entitled to a half interest in the mineral claims Homestead, Glacier, Hem, Clara G. and Two Snowbirds, situated at the head of the Kokanee creek. He bases the claim upon the alleged fact that he was a partner of J. McVieha, the locator, at the time the claims were located.

J. R. Cameron, of Spokane, has purchased for \$1,000 the entire interest of John Allen, of Kaslo, in the mineral claim International, located in the Blue Ridge camp, about four miles from the ten-mile house, on the Kaslo & Slokan railway. Much interest has been taken in this particular portion of the district and properties there seem to be in demand.

Mr. James Anderson, of the Gold Hills Exploration & Development company's prospecting expedition, left by steamer on Thursday for his headquarters camp, to which he has appropriately given the name of Elgar, in honor of the president of the company and speaker of the house of commons. Mr. Anderson took with him several additional men and a considerable quantity of supplies.

Trouble has arisen between the reputed owners of what are known as the 'Swedes' Claims,' located upon the South Fork of Kaslo creek, consisting of the Silver Bell, Hub, and Little Bell, a fractional claim. Carl Nelson has entered suit against Louis Martin for third interest in each of the claims, and has recorded in his pendens in the office of the mining recorder. These are the claims which have so frequently been reported as bonded. As much as \$75,000 have been offered for them, with a cash payment of \$7,500.

W. W. Bole, the well known wholesale drug house of Martin, Bole, Wynne & Co. of Winnipeg, is spending a day or two in Kaslo. Mr. Bole is president of the Winnipeg board of trade, and an experienced business man, and an expert on the board of the boom days, and finds things now, he says, much more solidly placed. He came directly over to the Northern Pacific, and is pleased to find so many evidences of permanent prosperity in the city. He will take in the entire Kootenay country during his trip.

The concentrator of the Washington Mining company resumed work on Thursday last. Major Montgomery, the president, reports that there is ample ore blocked out for the season's run and there need be no detention. In the mine sunk some thirty feet below the lower tunnel, three feet of an ore body

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THE CORONER'S INQUEST

G. B. McGowan, a Passenger, Saw Fisher Place the Revolver to His Head and Pull the Trigger—Remains Go to Deer Lodge Monday.

The inquest into the death of John B. Fisher, of Deer Lodge, Mont., who shot himself in the head on board the Red Mountain train Friday afternoon, resulted in the following verdict: "We, the jury, find that John B. Fisher came to his death on a pistol shot in the city of Rossland on May 7, 1897, in the city of Rossland, at the Red Mountain railway and that the evidence shows that the pistol was in his own hand at the time of discharge."

The inquest was held at 3 o'clock at the courthouse, Coroner Bows presiding. The gentlemen comprising the jury were: Norman McKenzie, W. T. Hall, James Richardson, Wilson McKinnon, Ernest Kennedy and A. B. Acorn. The first named was chosen as foreman. Col. S. M. Wharton was the first witness called. He was in the car at the time of the shooting. Just before the train stopped he heard some one say "lock the doors." A moment later he heard the pistol shot and turned, seeing Fisher on the car floor. Colonel Wharton supposed that it was the customs inspector who called out to lock the doors. When he went closer he saw Fisher lying on the floor breathing very hard. He heard no one say they had seen Fisher fire the shot. A few minutes later Colonel Wharton left the car.

J. T. Bolles, the next witness, was sitting with his back to Fisher when the latter fired the shot. He heard Fisher's body strike the floor, and on looking around saw the wounded man on the floor with the revolver, as the witness thought, in his left hand. As the wound was in the right side of Fisher's head it is probable that Bolles was mistaken about it being the left hand which gripped the weapon. Some one took the revolver from Fisher's hand and threw it onto a seat.

E. B. Conkling was sworn, after Bolles concluded his testimony. Conkling was sitting with his back to Fisher, and

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There is no reason to believe, after noting the evidence, and particularly that given by McGowan, that Fisher's death was anything but a suicide. Col. Wharton's statement that someone called out "lock the doors," just before the train stopped would make it seem that these words were the direct cause of Fisher's death. Bent on escaping from Deer Lodge, where a grand jury had been summoned to look into the alleged delinquency committed by him while recorder of Deer Lodge county, he probably misconstrued the order to lock the doors, thinking that officers were going to search the train for a fugitive from justice, which he no doubt considered himself; whereas in fact, it was only the preparation of the customs inspector before going through the baggage of the passengers.

Fisher's insurance will probably amount to \$10,000 as he was a member of various fraternal organizations, including the K. of P., Mason's Accident association, Odd Fellows and A. O. U. W. The Knights of Pythias, of which he was a member, gave notice yesterday that they would take charge of the remains and bury them at Deer Lodge for interment. The body will be shipped Monday.

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NEARING THE CLOSE

Provincial Supplementary Estimates For Three Years Brought Down.

SPECIAL KOOTENAY VOTES

Revelstoke Comes in For a \$5,000 Courthouse and Other Piums, While Roseland Gets a Fifth Teacher and a Recorder's Clerk.

[From Our Special Correspondent.] VICTORIA, May 6.—Today the house sat morning, afternoon and night and rushed bills through at a great rate. The Placer Mining bill, Small Debts bill, Land Act Amendment bill, Dyking bill, Water Power and Privileges bill, Land Surveyors' bill, Trustees and Executors bills all went through the last stages flying and passed.

In the morning on the second reading of the Judicial Divisions bill Eberts said the main purpose was to do away with the inconvenience now experienced in the southern part of Kootenay and referring to offices said the registrars were much required and the bill would give power to appoint registrars at Roseland and perhaps at other portions of the district. It was contemplated also to establish a sub-registry, say at Vernon, also a sheriff and administrator at Nelson, Roseland or Trail. As to just where these were to be Eberts was not prepared to say definitely yet the bill went through all stages.

The bill to prevent squatting on crown lands was put through the last stages.

Another Parliament Buildings Loan

A bill to authorize a loan of \$100,000 at 3 1/2 per cent to equip the new parliament buildings was brought down by Turner. This would, it was explained, bring up the total cost of the buildings to \$380,000, and when finished there would be \$30,000 a year for interest and sinking fund. Semlin criticized the bill, saying it would be over a million before the buildings were completed, and Sword and other opposition members took the same view. The second reading passed, only six voting against and in half an hour the bill was passed.

Supplementary Estimates.

The supplementary estimates were handed down tonight. They amount to \$25,288 for the services ending June 30, 1898, also \$100,158.31 for the services ending next month and have a schedule of indemnity for expenditures to June last of \$40,780.84.

Supplementaries for the year ending June 30, 1898, amount to \$78 under the head of civil salaries; \$1,512 under administration of justice; salaries; \$3,000 for hospital charities; \$1,800 for education, including \$600 for Roseland for a fifth assistant teacher; \$16,500 for public works, including the construction of a recorder's office \$800, courthouse Revelstoke \$5,000, lockup Sanction \$300; miscellaneous comes to \$1,800, including \$1,000 towards the expenses of the British association to British Columbia.

For the Current Year.

In the services to the end of June, 1897, the heads are: Civil salaries, \$9,355; administration of justice, \$2,231, including a stipendiary magistrate at Nelson, \$300, and a clerk for the recorder's office at Roseland, \$840; legislation, \$1,775; public institutions, \$5,000; hospitals and charities, \$750; prosecution and interpreters, \$1,000; education \$6,617, including teachers and incidentals Illecillewaet \$590, Brandon teacher and incidentals \$590, Nelson incidentals \$240, Waterloo teacher \$300, incidentals \$40, Roseland second assistant teacher \$200, (three months) incidentals \$40, Revelstoke \$117; additional revenue service, \$1,500; public works, \$28,207, including repairs for government buildings in northwest Kootenay \$120, lockup at Grand Forks \$500, public school at Trail \$700 additional to the \$1,500 voted, lot adjoining government office Kaslo \$400, the courthouse Revelstoke \$1,000, roads West Kootenay additional \$1,000, Illecillewaet \$130, additional road to Princeton \$487, additional Toby creek trail \$1,100; surveys, \$5,500; miscellaneous \$33,462.21, including provincial exhibit at Imperial institute \$3,415, board of health \$4,500, additional Indian famine fund \$2,000, agent general at London (allowance for disbursements) \$526.

The schedule of indemnity for 1896 includes public school, Roseland, \$1,064.

More Cassiar Land Grants.

A bill was brought down to grant land subsidies to railways in Cassiar. There are three of these passed this session: From Taku lake to Teslin lake, Yukon Trading company, 120 miles long; from Lynn canal to the north boundary of the province, 35 or 40 miles; from Glenora on Stikton to Teslin lake 140 miles. As Turner explained, it is not expected that all these will be built, but the grant is made to help any of them. This is in the form of \$120 acres per mile in alternate sections, six miles wide. Lieu lands cannot be taken except at the back of these sections. No reserve on these lands is to be placed until the actual work of construction begins. Free miners are allowed to enter on the company's lands, the crown reserving for free miners all the base or precious metals. The crown gets five cents royalty on the coal mined and also the timber royalty. Free miners are to have the right to use what timber they want.

THE NEW COMPANIES' ACT

Some of Its Most Important Provisions Lucidly Explained.

How Mining Companies May Issue Stock at a Discount and Validate Existing Issues.

Vancouver News-Advertiser: One of the most important measures which has occupied the attention of the legislature at the present session is the bill for the amendment and consolidation of the laws dealing with the incorporation and operation of joint stock companies. Introduced in the early part of the session by the attorney general, the bill was, at his suggestion, referred for consideration

and report to a select committee, consisting of the attorney general and Messrs. Ribbet, Helmcken, Cotton and Sword. That committee reported on Friday last, and, as the result of its labors, submitted an amended bill, which was read the first time on the same day.

The bill amends and consolidates all the acts now on the statute books relating to joint stock companies, and if one act all the law upon the subject, the various acts now in force being repealed by part 10 of the bill. An examination of the bill seems to show that the committee has done its work thoroughly and well, and that it has carefully considered the most recent enactments on the subject, by both the Imperial and the Ontario legislature, some provisions inserted in the Companies act of Ontario having been embodied in part of the bill. While the Companies act, which was included in the draft revision of the statutes submitted to the legislature at the opening of the session has been adopted by the select committee as the basis of the present bill, it has made some very important changes in it, to three or four of which it may be well to refer.

The first is one by which the number of persons necessary to form a company is reduced from seven to five. Hitherto it has been lawful for three persons to organize a joint stock company under the provisions of the Provincial act, while in England it is necessary for seven persons to sign the memorandum of association. The committee has thought that a middle course between these two would meet the necessities of the case, and the number has been fixed at five.

The committee has struck out section 20 of the Draft revision, which required that before a company could commence business ten per cent of its capital must be paid up in cash, besides any amount payable otherwise than in cash. This provision was taken from Lord Dudley's bill before the Imperial parliament. There is a great diversity of opinion on the matter, even in England. It is a requirement which can be nominally complied with, but practically evaded by dishonest promoters, which it frequently is a source of embarrassment and difficulty to bona fide and legitimate enterprises. The committee has accordingly omitted this provision from the bill.

Mining Companies.

One of the most important subjects with which the committee had to deal was the question as to whether mining companies should be allowed to issue shares at a discount, without any liability attaching to the purchase of them for the difference between the issue price and the nominal par value of the shares, in case of the company becoming unable to meet its obligations. Most of the companies, incorporated to carry on mining operations, have issued their capital in this manner, and it is of great importance to them and their shareholders that the status of such shares should be defined by law. The committee has made it lawful in the bill for mining companies to issue shares at a discount, but has introduced provisions in regard to the matter for the purpose of protecting investors and the public from fraud in connection with shares issued in this manner. Share certificates of companies issuing shares at a discount must bear on their face a statement that they are issued under the provisions of section 56, the clause dealing with that matter. All documents issued by such a company must also bear the words "Non-Personal Liability" after the name of the company. Companies incorporated previous to the passage of the act, and which have issued shares at a discount, can remove any doubt as to any liability attaching to them by re-registering themselves under the provisions of the new act.

Foreign Companies.

The bill provides that for the future all joint stock companies carrying on business in the province will be divided into two kinds—provincial and extra-provincial. The latter, which, as the term implies, are those incorporated outside of the province, are again divided into two classes. One of these will consist of companies organized under the laws of Great Britain and Ireland, or the Dominion of Canada; the old Province of Canada, or of any of the provinces of the Dominion. The laws of all these places in regard to joint stock companies are very similar, being based on one model. Such companies will obtain a license to carry on their business in British Columbia. The second class will comprise companies organized elsewhere, and before they can do business in the province, they must be registered under the act. Extra-provincial companies doing business in the province before the passage of the act will have until January 1, 1898, to comply with its provisions.

The bill also contains elaborate provisions for the issue of prospectuses and for other matters, all intended to protect investors, shareholders and creditors. The bill also provides for the voluntary winding-up of companies, for the preventing of fraudulent practices, and other matters.

Transfer of Shares.

There is also a new provision inserted in the bill in regard to the transfer of shares. Extra-provincial companies issuing or disposing of their shares in this province, will be required to designate an office within the province where shares can be transferred, and where a register of the shareholders must be kept. This provision may have an important bearing on the business of dealing in mining shares and tend to centre it more in British Columbia than has been the case in the past. At the same time the clause is intended to check certain abuses which have grown up in connection with dealing in the shares of foreign mining companies.

On the whole we think that the bill will meet with the general approval. Joint stock companies law is admittedly a difficult task, as has been often acknowledged by the ablest lawyers and legislators in Great Britain. At the present time in British Columbia there are two opposing elements. One favors considerable restriction and limitation of the powers conferred on companies. The other would practically give such organizations a free hand and let them be regulated by nothing more than public opinion. In the bill submitted by the select committee, while enterprise is not unduly or unnecessarily restricted, proper safeguards are inserted against fraud, misrepresentation or irregularities in the management of companies, and we think that the new act, if passed, will prove very useful to joint stock enterprises.

JUBILEE IN CANADA

Royal Victorian Order of Nurses To Be Instituted.

CANADIAN FUND STARTED

One Million Dollars Wanted to Endow the Order—Method Adopted For Commemorating the Queen's Long Reign—Roseland Appealed To.

THE MINER, in common with many other papers in Canada, has been requested to receive subscriptions to the Canadian fund for the commemoration of the Queen's diamond jubilee. It has been decided to commemorate this event in Canada by instituting the Victorian Order of Nurses, and for this purpose a national organization has been formed under the patronage of the governor-general and under the presidency of Her Excellency, the Countess of Aberdeen, Kruiser Laurier, the lieutenant-governor of all the provinces and the leading lights of the church, the bench, the bar and parliament are giving their assistance to the movement.

The following are some extracts from the pamphlet sent out by the executive officers of the fund for the purpose of explanation: Her Majesty, the Queen has indicated her desire that the celebrations mark the completion of the sixtieth year of her reign, should be associated with efforts towards relieving the sufferings of the sick. Therefore it seems fitting that the people of Canada should commemorate the Queen's diamond jubilee by establishing a national fund for the purpose of placing the aid of trained, skillful nurses within the reach of all classes of the population.

It is earnestly desired that this Canadian memorial shall become truly national in its character, as well in the contributions which will make it suitable and effective, as in its application to the different needs and conditions of the various provinces of Canada, and the several cities and rural districts which compose them.

Not to Supplant, but to Supplement.

Hospitals all over the country are doing splendid work, but they are crowded to the doors and have not enough funds to pay for new furniture, let alone new buildings. Men and women are giving their best—thrift, time, their thought, their money—to the hospitals. These hospitals require more money for the training of nurses. Part of the funds raised might be expended in helping hospitals to train more nurses, and part might be used in engaging the services of a few more trained nurses, who would volunteer to labor on salaries in needy districts in the country and the cities. This scheme for providing nurses will not displace physicians in the districts where they labor, but it will furnish the means of securing the best results from the skill and advice of medical men.

Who Shall Be Members.

It is proposed when the order is formed, that the members may be:

- (a) Nurses who are already graduates in good standing of schools of recognized standing and who pass an examination such as may be prescribed; (b) Nurses who shall be specially trained for the order, and who shall pass the prescribed examination; (c) The auxiliaries of the nurses of the Victorian order are to be of the highest for the class of work they are expected to do.

Some of the Objects of the Order.

- Sickness is always a severe task upon the resources of the middle classes. It is a heavy burden upon the poor in spite of hospitals and kindly charities. An intelligent trained nurse, prepared to supply what is necessary, is often the best friend a poor family can have. Some of the chief objects of the order will be: (a) To provide skilled nurses in sparsely settled and outlying country districts; (b) To provide skilled nurses to attend the sick poor in their own homes in cities; (c) To provide skilled nurses to attend cases in cities at fixed charges, for persons of small income, the charges being paid to the funds of the order; (d) To provide small lying-in rooms or wards in cottage hospitals or homes; (e) To prepare trained nurses thoroughly qualified to carry out these objects.

An Endowment to Make It Permanent.

It would not be a prudent thing to have the order started unless provision be made for perpetuating it. It would take an investment of about a million dollars to ensure revenue to make this benefaction a lasting one for all the needy districts of Canada. Shall we confess ourselves helpless in the presence of this urgent need, and submit to be awakened to the great out of this country for help? But a million dollars is a great sum to raise? Certainly a million of dollars is a very large sum to raise; but if the people of Canada can be fully informed and aroused by awakened to the greatness and goodness of this movement, a million of dollars will be forthcoming for the commemoration of the diamond jubilee of Her Majesty by such a means as will cause gratitude to glow continually in the hearts of the people of Canada towards the memory of Victoria the Good and her representatives and subjects in Canada who promoted this order. If half a million of dollars at least is raised immediately to establish a fund sufficient to meet the most urgent demands of the present the remainder will soon follow, according as the people at large see clearly the great benefits that will arise from the carrying out of this thoroughly national scheme.

It would require only a small contribution from each, if every man and woman in Canada gave something out of their plenty, or out of their scanty store, to make other homes as secure as their own. No doubt there will be difficulties to face, but the difficulties will disappear in the presence of enthusiastic hard work and good judgment. That it will be hard to make this scheme a complete success is rather a commendation of than an objection to it. The things that are best worth doing are hard to do, and often in life the things hardest to do are the things best worth doing. A Matchless Memorial.

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It will show, as the personal gift of Canadians to her majesty, that they admire and appreciate her blameless, beneficent and beautiful life, noble alike in its sympathies and its activities in doing good. It has been the reign of a monarch which has done good for all the people; and thus the Queen need not be concerned for a throne of velvet or gold, or monuments in marble or bronze, since she is enthroned in the hearts of her people, who love her as no monarch was ever yet beloved. For such a queen it would be a happier plan to have a memorial in the form of gratitude written perennially in the hearts of the mothers of our young nation, than to have it graven in stone or any inert material. From the women of Canada the music of loving memory will continually swell out in strains of warm and affectionate esteem. The children also, they will rise up and call her blessed! A memorial like that will be sweet to a woman like Queen Victoria.

Roseland's Part In It.

It is entirely fitting and proper that Roseland should have its share in commemorating the jubilee. This it can now do by contributing liberally toward the endowment of the order. Subscriptions may be sent either direct to the honorary treasurer, Mrs. Edwara Griffin, Victorian order fund, Ottawa, Ont., or to THE MINER, which will receive subscriptions and acknowledge them through its columns. As one of the objects of the order is to establish trained nurses and cottage hospitals in just such communities as this the project should appeal with double strength to every man and woman in Roseland.

A Chance For the Ladies.

In order that Roseland's contribution may be proportionate to her importance we would suggest that the ladies organize a committee and make a systematic canvass of the town for subscriptions in aid of the fund. This is already being done by almost every other community in Canada, and we are sure the ladies of Roseland do not want to be behind their sisters in this noble work of charity.

THREE WEEKS IN AGONY.

Inflammatory Rheumatism so Acute He Could Not Attend to His Daily Duties—Lived Three Weeks in Agonizing Pain When that "Good Samaritan" of all Cures, South American Rheumatic Cure Passed His Way—It Helped in a Few Hours, and Speedily Cured—Cost 75 Cents.

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THEY GOT CITY JOBS

Alexander McGowan and Robert Barr Appointed Inspectors.

LICENSE BYLAW AMENDED

Le Roi Smelter Discussed, But No Action Taken By the Council—City Employees' Hospital Fund—New Fire Apparatus—Bylaws Passed.

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A HEALTHY SHOWING

Revenue for Last Month Over \$1,000,000 Over April, 1896.

EXPENDITURE WAS LESS

For the Ten Months of the Fiscal Year as Compared With the Like Period in 1896 the Betterment is \$1,200,000.

From our Special Correspondent. OTTAWA, Ont., May 7.—Wentworth F. Wood has been dismissed from the position of Indian agent at Kamloops on account of political partisanship and J. B. Leighton has been appointed in his stead.

Tomorrow's Gazette will contain the return of McClure for Colchester and Jamieson for Winnipeg. Rutherford, of MacDonald, and Perry of West Prince, arrived tonight and will take their seats Monday. They got a big reception from the Liberals.

The whole day in the house was devoted to supply. Most of the time was taken in a discussion of the superannuation of Balderson, the secretary of the railway department. Sir Charles Tupper and others attacked Blair, who was a good match for them.

Colonel Prior and Colonel Gregory, of British Columbia, have been invited to go as officers in the Jubilee battalion. Four members of parliament go besides Prior. They are Tisdale, Tucker, Tyrwhitt and Domville.

April Revenue Increased. The statement of revenue and expenditure published in tomorrow's official gazette shows a big advance in revenue for the month of April last, compared with the same month in 1896. There is an increase of \$1,343,320, the figures being \$4,468,540 for April, 1897, and \$3,095,220 for April, 1896. The expenditure was decreased \$30,000 last month compared with the same month in 1896. There was over one million dollars of an increase in the revenue in excise and over \$200,000 in customs. The post office also gives increases, showing that prosperity extends all along the line. The expenditure on capital account was about the same both months.

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MR. DEWDNEY'S SURPRISE

Withholds His Signature to a Bill and Stands by the Chinese-Prorogation of the Provincial Parliament-Legislation Commenced.

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VICTORIA, May 8.—It is reported here that Speaker Higgins has become disgusted with the government and that he will refuse to fill the speaker's position for another session, but will leave the government and head what is to be known as the reform party in opposition to the present government. The reason of this is his opposition to the present government passing the Cassiar railway bill with its lease of 750,000 acres of mineral land and also today's refusal of the lieutenant-governor to assent to the Japanese-Chinese labor act, and subsequent prorogation of the house without the speaker returning to the chair.

Legislation Prorogued.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock the legislature prorogued with all the accessories of a guard of honor from the Fifth regiment with a band and a brilliant staff of naval and military officers attending Lieutenant Governor Dewdney. This is the last meeting in the old legislative building that, during the past 35 years, has sheltered the legislative assemblies of the province, and as a mark of respect for the past, the venerable Dr. J. S. Helmcken, the first speaker of the first assembly, had the position at the right of Speaker Higgins.

Dewdney's Veto.

In all there are 73 bills assented to, but there was a thrill of excitement through the house when in reading the list, the clerk of the house announced that the lieutenant-governor had been pleased to reserve his assent to the bill prohibiting Japs and Chinese on works carried on under franchises by private enterprise, and until the pleasure of the governor-general was known. This is the second time since the confederation that such a thing has been done, the last time being in 1877, when the late A. N. Richards, then lieutenant-governor, reserved his assent to the amendment to the gold mines act, giving the gold commissioners a certain amount of judicial power. The governor-general disallowed the bill on the ground that it interfered with the British North America act, which gave the appointment of judges to the federal parliament.

Legislature's Work Frustrated.

The governor's prorogation speech after the usual formal thanks to the legislature for the supplies granted, mentioned with commendation the Water Charges act, the Railway Aid act, the Mining Inspector act, the consolidation of statutes, the Dyking act, the Inmate Asylum act and expressed satisfaction at the interest taken in mining industries by the mining centre of the world and spoke with regret of the death of Kitchin, the member for Okilliwack.

THOSE TIMBER RESERVES

A Number of Western Senators Pay Their Respects to Cleveland.

Wilson of Washington Said His People Would Defy the Order if it Were Not Revoked.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 6.—A rose-bush in full bloom, towering five feet above the heads of the senators, sat on the desk of Senator Deboe of Kentucky today, and entwined with the large cabbage roses was a red, white and blue scarf, 10 feet long and a foot wide, bearing the inscriptions in gold letters: "United We Stand, Divided We Fall."

Among the bills favorably presented were those for a public building at Indianapolis, Ind., to cost \$2,000,000, and one at Austin, Tex., to cost \$1,000,000.

As a sequel to the defeat of the Anglo-American treaty of arbitration, Bacon of Georgia introduced the following joint resolution, deprecating war and announcing the policy of the government as favorable to arbitration.

Arbitration Resolution.

"Resolved, That the United States of America deprecate war and desire the maintenance of peace and friendship with all the world, and this desire is not limited to their relations with any one nation, but extends to their relations with all the nations whether they be great or small, strong or weak."

"That to the end that the relations of peace and friendship happily existing between the United States and all nations may be perpetually preserved and that war may be discouraged, and as far as practicable made impossible, the United States favor the principle and practice of settlement by arbitration of the questions in difference between them and any other nation which they may fail to adjust by treaty or diplomatic negotiations."

"The United States do hereby avow their future policy and intention, whenever there shall arise any questions in difference between them and any other nation, which they may fail to adjust by treaty or diplomatic negotiations, that they shall and will so far as they can consistently with the national honor, the integrity of their territory and their foreign and domestic policies, submit such questions in difference to the arbitration and decision of an international court of arbitration. Such court of arbitration shall in the future, as in the past, be constituted by agreement by the parties concerned therewith with special reference and adaptation to the particular question in difference and to the conditions then existing."

"That the United States hereby invite all civilized nations to make a corresponding and reciprocal declaration to the end that wars between nations may cease, and that an universal reign of

peace may be inaugurated and perpetually maintained. Jones, a democratic member of the finance committee, called attention to the fact that a comparative statement as to the tariff bill has not yet appeared. It was most desirable, he said, if the bill was to be taken up on the 18th instant, that this statement be in hand very soon. Allison (a republican member of the finance committee) said the statement would be very comprehensive and would be ready, probably, next Saturday.

"There is no intention so far as I know," said Jones, "to delay the consideration of this bill. All we ask is that reasonable time be given for a proper consideration of the bill."

Wilson on the Timber Reserves.

The Sundry Civil bill was then taken up, the pending question being on Pettigrew's amendment in reference to suspending the order of President Cleveland creating extensive forestry reserves. The president's order was severely criticized by senators from the states affected including Messrs. Pettigrew, Allison and Carter, and Wilson characterized the Cleveland proclamation as a dastardly blunder, eight million acres having been taken out of his state so that no man could cut a stick of timber without being denounced as a thief. The people affected by the orders were not to be restrained, he said by a scientific gentleman from Harvard. They were going to have the timber which they needed, law or no law, and what are you going to do about it?"

Allison in charge of the bill said he favored some relief from Mr. Cleveland's order of February last. He stated that President McKinley and his cabinet were considering the subject with a view to righting the wrong, but the resolution went too far, not only authorizing the president to vacate the order, but declaring by act of congress the order was abrogated.

Wilson declared that if this order had applied to Allison's state the people there would have risen in rebellion. White characterized the order of February last as oppressive and ridiculous in extreme. He said it disclosed a dense ignorance of the situation on the part of those inspiring the order. Pettigrew insisted that congress would revoke it.

Turner as a Kicker.

Turner said that for three months appeals have been made to the executive authorities, but as yet no relief had come. The senators from the states affected were not to be made to "kick their shins in the corridors of a legislative branch of the government. It was the duty of the executive branch to correct this wrong."

Gray stated that President Cleveland's action was the result of an investigation started by congress and directed to the national association of science. Acting on the recommendations of that scientific body President Cleveland had issued his proclamation defining the extent of the forest reserves.

Clark said the west was deeply concerned in the preservation of the forests and streams, but what they protested against was the absolute ignorance inspiring this order for the preservation of forests. "Cleveland's order," he said, "had struck the greatest blow to forest reservations that it had ever received. It had arrayed the people of the west against the entire policy of forest reserves."

Rawlins declared that Cleveland's order was "gross and outrageous" and that of William the Conqueror in setting aside his hunting reserve. The senator asserted that congress would immediately set aside this ipse dixit.

When Gorman referred to a similar reservation in the last sundry civil bill which had been abandoned in conference, Pettigrew declared that the president had threatened to veto the sundry civil bill if it was retained. Yielding to the president's threat the provision had been abandoned.

"And a president that would make such a threat," exclaimed Pettigrew, "is a disgrace to civilization and a disgrace to the republic."

The presiding officer interrupted with his usual sharpness and Gray said: "What authority does the senator assert that the president made such a threat?"

"It was so stated in the committee," Pettigrew answered. "It was well known also," he said, "that during the last four years the president menaced congress by threats."

Would Not Take Chances.

Allison moved to strike from the bill the provision suspending the president's order of February 22. The motion was defeated, 14 to 32.

On the announcement of the vote Allison withdrew all objection to the resolution, which had become evident that a majority of the senate was in favor of this legislation and was not even willing to trust the president and secretary of the interior to revoke the order.

Eyre moved the bill providing regulations for the avoidance of collisions in inland harbors in accordance with the agreement of the marine congress. The bill passed. At 6:15 the senate adjourned till Monday.

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Toronto Firm to Transport It Between Ashcroft and Barkerville.

[From our Special Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, Ont., May 8.—The postmaster general awarded today the contract for carrying the mails from Ashcroft to Barkerville to Ryan and Shields of Toronto, who were the lowest tenders. There will be a great saving, Tinsley, who now does the work, left for home a few days ago. A representative of the new firm is now on his way to British Columbia to make preparations for commencing the work on the 1st of July.

Dr. Montague left this afternoon for Rossland. He has taken no interest in the proceedings of the house this session and will not be back before parliament prorogues.

Maxwell got a letter from Borden, minister of militia, saying he would put \$10,000 in the supplementary estimates for the drill hall at Vancouver.

EXAMINED THE SITE

Le Roi Managers Took a Trip Down Sheep Creek Yesterday.

LIME DEPOSIT INSPECTED

It Was Found to Contain an Inexhaustible Quantity—Clay Beds to Make Brick Found Conveniently Near the Proposed Smelter Site.

Col. I. N. Bayton, W. J. Harris and Captain Hall, of the Le Roi mine, accompanied by James Breen, the well known smelter man, Ross Thompson and Sol Cameron took a trip down the line of the Red Mountain railway Thursday. They made the trip on foot, but that was not their intention when they started. They left on the passenger train, but when it got stopped by the washout at the O. K. trestle they concluded to walk ahead, expecting to catch the train back from Northport in the afternoon. As there was no train over the road but a southbound freight in the evening they had to make the whole trip on foot.

They first inspected the proposed site for the smelter on Sheep creek. All hands were much pleased with it and decided that so far as water power and other local conditions were concerned it was admirable in every respect.

Sol Cameron had gone about to look up a clay deposit to make brick for the proposed smelter. He found what he wanted very conveniently situated. The clay is of a quality to make excellent brick for walls and chimneys, but of course the fire brick will have to be imported.

The party then proceeded to inspect the most available deposit of lime. This was found to consist of a butte a mile this side of the boundary line. It presented a very favorable appearance, being conveniently situated for quarrying and shipping, and promising an inexhaustible supply. Several samples were taken over a distance of 300 feet, and these will be assayed today. Two pocket samples assayed yesterday showed 10 and 30 per cent respectively of silica. It is believed that some portions of the deposit will go fully 92 per cent in lime, which would be as good a flux as anybody would need.

THE ORPHAN BOY SWINDLE.

A Vancouver Stockholder Asks a Few Pertinent Questions.

To the Editor of the News-Advertiser:

Sir.—It is singularly interesting to the interests and principles involved that the press is so silent concerning the recent sale of the Orphan Boy. Many of your readers, we presume, are not cognizant of the facts in this case, and for the purpose of enlightening the investing public, allow us, who believe that we have been victimized in this case, to place before you the modus operandi followed in the consummated sale of the Orphan Boy. First a duly organized incorporated mining company print and circulate their prospectus "by the board of directors." "The company has no indebtedness, bonded or otherwise." At their meeting in December there was according to the directors' financial statement over \$5,200 cash on hand, and free from debt.

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