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PLENTY OF PLANTS

A Large Number Were Installed During the Year 1899.

BIG MACHINERY IN DEMAND

It is Not an Uncommon Thing for a Machinery Man to Get an Order for a 40-horse Plant—General Mining News of the Camps.

Considerable machinery is now in use in the section, and the number of plants are constantly increasing. Quite a few were installed during the year that has just passed. Appended will be found, mention of some of the machinery that was put in during the year 1899. Some will be found to be additions to plants that had already been put in. Besides this, no mention is made of the smaller addition to the plants of the electric motors that have been added. It will be noticed that orders for 20 or 40-horse power drill compressors are beginning to come in, and two companies in the Boundary country have advertised for bids for large compressor plants. This shows that mining is going to be carried on a larger scale than ever. The machinery men have been handicapped by the fact that they have been unable to secure plants when needed on account of the large advance orders that were and are still on hand at the factories, and because of a shortage of material. The factories are increasing their capacity, and it is now thought that the supply will soon be equal to the demand.

The Rossland Camp.

Centre Star.—A 40-drill compressor and 23 drills.
War Eagle.—Pumps and 24 drills.
Le Roi.—Twenty-five drills, hoists, pumps, etc.
Iron Mask.—A 10-drill compressor, Lidgerwood hoisting engine, 14 drills.
Deer Park.—A 12-horse power hoist and two drills.

West Lake and Josie.—A 40-drill compressor, and three 150-horse power boilers.
Green Mountain.—Three-drill compressor, 40 drills and two pumps, 40-horse power hoist.

Giant.—Four-drill compressor, which is to be replaced as soon as it can be built, a 10-drill compressor, three drills and hoist.

Umattila Gold Mining Company.—A 40-horse power boiler, Lidgerwood hoist, No. 5 Cameron pump and two steam drills.
America Corporation.—A 40-horse boiler, 80-horse power boiler, with mountings.

Elmo Mining Company.—A five-compressor, four drills and mountings.

Banker Hill Mining Company.—A ten-hp quartz mill, with concentrators, etc.
Velvet.—Pumps, etc.
Trail Smelter.—Forty ore cars.
California.—A ten-drill compressor has been ordered and will soon be installed.

The Boundary Country.
Old Ironsides.—A 50-horse power hoist, City of Paris.—A ten-drill compressor with the necessary drills.
Winnipeg.—A six-drill compressor, hoist, boiler, etc.
Knob Hill.—A six-drill compressor and two drills.
Granby Consolidated.—Pumping machinery.

Brandon & Golden Crown.—Five-drill compressor, boiler and two drills.
Rathmullen.—Three-drill compressor, two hoists, hoist and pump.
B. C. Copper Company.—Two hoist, pump and two drills.
King Mining Company.—Three-drill air compressor, 40-horse power boiler, Lidgerwood hoisting engine, No. 5 Cameron sinking pump, ore cars, two buckets, two drills and a 42x10 air receiver.
Snowshoe Mine.—A 40-horse power boiler, a Lidgerwood hoisting engine and a No. 5 Cameron pump.

B. C. Mine.—A 20-drill compressor, three 40-horse power boilers, one 40-horse power boiler, 15-horse power hoisting engine, 16 hoists with mountings, and a safety cage.
Montreal and Boundary Creek Mining Company (Sunset mine).—A 20-drill compressor, two 80-horse power tubular boilers, 40-horse power Lidgerwood hoisting engine, safety cage, ore cars, and 10 machine drills with mountings.

Slovan Division.
Ruth.—A 12-horse power hoist.
For Hugh Sutherland.—Hoisting and pumping plant.
Queen Bess.—Hoisting and pumping plant.
Dardanelles Mining Company.—No. 7 Cameron sinking pump, two 3 1/4-inch drills, a 3x8 air receiver.
Sovereign Mine.—One drill with mountings.

Ruth Mines.—One 16 1/2x18 air compressor.
Last Chance Mine.—Two drills with mountings.
Minnesota Silver Mine.—Five-drill compressor, 60-horse power tubular boiler, hoist, pump, air receiver and four drills.
Camp McKinney.—A 10-stamp mill, iron vanner and other accessories.
Sailor Consolidated.—A 30-horse power hoist, 21-horse power hoist, 80-gallon pump and two drills.
Cariboo.—A 10-drill compressor and seven drills.
Waterloo.—Boiler and hoist.
Minnehaha Mining Co.—A seven-drill compressor, 80-horse power boiler, a Lidgerwood hoist, No. 5 Cameron sinking pump and five drills.

The Nelson Division.
Duncan Mines.—A ten-drill compressor and seven drills.
Yellowstone Mine.—A 30-horse power hoist, four drills, a 20-stamp mill and a five-drill compressor.

Hill Mines.—A 100-horse power boiler, a Lidgerwood hoisting engine, 50,600 feet of aerial tramway cable.
McArthur & Co.—A 20-horse power vertical boiler.

The Lardeau Country.

Sunshine Limited.—One Pelton water wheel, a Sturtevant Monogram mine ventilator.
East Kootenay.
Lake Shore.—A seven-drill compressor, 80-horse power boiler and five drills.
North Star.—A seven-drill compressor, a battery of locomotive boilers and five drills.

Along the Coast.
Van Anda.—A 10-drill compressor, 80-horse power boiler, 6 drills, and 40-horse power hoist.
William Hamilton.—A ten-drill compressor, six drills, etc.
Rose Marie Mine.—A three-drill compressor, drills and boilers.

Cariboo District.
Cariboo Consolidated.—Eight drills.
THE WONDERFUL SUNSET.

A Big Lot of Ore is Received in Grand Forks.

R. A. Brown has received 120 pounds of ore taken from the bottom of the shaft of the Sunset on Copper mountain, in the Similkameen district. It has been on exhibition all week in the lobby of the Yale hotel, and is perhaps the finest ore ever shown in Grand Forks.

Mr. Brown says the ore appears to be in solid mass, there never having been such a thing as a wall in sight. He thinks it is hundreds of feet in width. If so, Copper mountain will be another Butte, or better, as the outcrop covers about 40 acres. It is one of the most remarkable outcrops ever seen in any country.

The Sunset is now being developed by three eight-hour shifts and they are sinking at the rate of two feet a day. A steam hoist recently erected, is doing fine work, and will serve the mine for a depth of 500 feet. At the 100-foot level drifts and crosscuts will be run out from the shaft, and in that manner it is hoped that a large area of high grade copper ore will be opened. Up to date the richness of the ore has proved to be far greater than expected. It was hardly doubted that an immense ore body was present, but it was thought to be of low grade. It now appears to be the finest copper ore ever discovered in the province—Grand Forks Miner.

Mr. Brown, who is president of the Sunset Copper Company, accompanied by Smith Lewis, the secretary of the company, arrived in the city last night from Grand Forks, B. C., and is quartered at the Allan House. Mr. Brown has brought over part of the ore referred to in the above extract, and it will be on view in the office room of the Allan for a few days and will, no doubt, be visited by those desirous of seeing what Copper mountain can produce and the Sunset in particular. Mr. Brown stated that some 70,000 shares were sold in Grand Forks within a week after the ore was on exhibition. Mr. Brown, when seen last night, stated that since his visit to the mine, the foreman there had written him, under date of December 20, as follows:

"In conformity with your wish that I should send you a report periodically, I advise you of the following: Everything is progressing here most satisfactorily. The shaft is steadily going down and is looking first class; in fact, the ore is better now than it was when you were here. The bottom of the shaft is all solid high grade mineral. We are kept busy trying to dismember a mountain of copper."

THE PARIS BELLE.
Machinery Will Be Installed as Soon as Possible.

About two months since work was started on the Paris Belle by Mr. J. M. Witherop of Spokane, representing the company.

At the corner of First avenue and St. Paul street a shaft was sunk to a depth of 10 feet to locate a ledge disclosed by the street grade at that point. A shaft was sunk on lot 11, block 27, of Paris Belle addition, at Butte street, to a depth of 25 feet, all in fine ledge matter, but surface water compelled its abandonment.

Another shaft is being sunk at rear of lot mentioned, within 30 feet of the intersection of two ledges; one an east and west ledge, the other having a southwest and north-east trend.

Croppings as good as any ever discovered in this camp at surface were found in basement of Mr. Burnett's residence, located at rear of the lot abutting the alley, where new shaft is located.

Mr. McCoy, who has charge of the development, states that lying between Monte Christo and Butte streets, and Columbia and first avenues, there is every evidence of an immense body of ore.

On account of the surface of the Paris Belle being covered with houses, prospecting and development has been prosecuted under difficulties. It is the intention of the company to install machinery as soon as circumstances justify. The work now being done is largely preliminary, and is being conducted on strictly practical lines. No big surge will be made, but when the proper time comes for development on a larger scale, the company is fully prepared financially to meet all emergencies.

No Machinery Yet Ordered.

It is now officially stated that no machinery has yet been ordered for the Abe Lincoln mine on Deer Park mountain. A gentleman connected with the company, who should be in a position to know, informed a representative of the Miner that the machinery for the Abe Lincoln had been purchased in Chicago and shipped to Rossland. Upon closer investigation this is found to be untrue.

FROM OTHER CAMPS

Finishing Items of Interest From the Kootenays and Yale.

SHIPMENTS FROM BOUNDARY

Some of the Leading Properties in East Kootenay—The Year's Shipments of Ore From the Slokan—The Ymir Mine—The Mother Lode Shipping—Other Notes.

Beyond the fact that it is publicly announced that no settlement has been arrived at between the mine owners and the men in the Slokan. There is but little mining news of importance from other camps for the closing week of the year. Appended will be found mining news from East Kootenay, the Slokan, Ymir and the Boundary Creek country.

THE BOUNDARY COUNTRY.
Ore Shipments From the Mother Lode. Work on the Kamloops and Waterloo.

Work on the St. Lawrence claim in Deadwood camp is progressing quite satisfactorily. The shaft will be sunk to a depth of 100 feet, and hoist with it will be installed immediately. Cabins are also to be built at once and the force of men under the mine superintendent increased.

On the Cariboo work is progressing as usual. Plenty of ore is coming to the surface, and the 20-stamp mill is going night and day. The Fontenoy, Little Cariboo, Mammoth and Shannon-Dolphin are all being energetically developed. With one exception the Saylor is making nine feet a day in the drift on the 80-foot level, and has already opened up several chutes of good ore.

The Minnehaha is working two machines steadily in some splendid ore. They are raising on the vein from the No. 1 level. The sinking of the shaft down from the Deadwood level is in progress. The chances it will probably be six weeks yet before their mill is completed and ready to crush ore. The mill is a 10-stamp one.

There are about 50 men at work on the B. C. Copper company's smelter at Greenwood, and everything is proceeding steadily and satisfactorily. The boiler and engine, 45x100 feet, is being erected, and the excavation for the mill is in progress. The base of the stack is in position. The site for the dam on Copper creek has been surveyed, and it is expected that work will be commenced shortly.

Good progress is being made with the upraise from the 200-foot level of the new workings of the Mother Lode mine, in Deadwood camp, to connect with the vein from the old workings above. The upraise is all in ore of good value. When it is completed there will be about 200 feet vertical of stopping ground opened up between the new 200-foot level and the old crosscut tunnel. As the ore outcrops some 288 feet above the old tunnel there should be more than 500 feet of backs to yield ore. This does not include all the ore available for the main shaft. In ore all the way down to its depth of 120 feet below the drift at the 200-foot level. The Mother Lode will ship 100 tons of ore this week to the Trail smelter. The spur line is tracked to within three-quarters of a mile to the mine, and cars have been taken up to that point to receive the ore. The drift on the first level of the vein will be hauled down in wagons. Two cars will be shipped to the west. This is the first shipment from the Deadwood camp over the new spur, and with the exception of several carloads, practically the first from the district.

The hoist and pump have just been installed on the Kamloops. The hoist is a 6x8 one, capable of sinking to a depth of 300 feet. The pump is a No. 5 Cameron. The power is obtained from a 40-horse power boiler. The intention is to put in two machine drills and take the air from the Minnehaha compressor. The shaft is down 80 feet, and will be continued to the 100-foot level, where a station will be cut out and sinking and drifting continued concurrently. The shaft is not on the vein, but it is looked for at a depth of from 150 to 200 feet on its strike. This is the Minnehaha vein, and it has been traced right across the Kamloops claim by surface open cuts and two prospecting shafts, one of which is 50 feet in depth. The bottom of the 50-foot shaft has five feet of ore of a good milling value. There is a force of 15 men at the mine.

The Big Horn tunnel is now approaching the 100-foot station, and is probably in half way to the ore body. There is quite a large quantity of ore from the shaft in the dump, some of which assays over \$20 per ton.

A large piece of work is now being commenced at the Ymir mine, which, when completed, will be the largest piece of engineering work ever executed in this district. A long tunnel is being run from the proximity of the mill to tap the ore body at great depth. The length of the tunnel will be some 3,000 feet, and it is to be made large enough to allow of the carrying of two car-tracks side by side. When the tunnel is completed, it will from the main working entrance to the mine, and all the ore will be brought out through it. The gravity tramway now in use will be thus superseded, and the ore placed in the mill more economically.

EAST KOOTENAY.
The St. Eugene—Dupont Group—Red Line.—Big Chief—Swansea—Other Mines.

The footwall of the Minnie M. ledge is slate for a short distance, when a fine-grained porphyritic schist replaces it. The Swansea has been extensively developed, and preparations were made last fall for taking out and shipping ore to the landing this winter.

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On the Rama Horn the big ledge shows

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THE SLOKAN.

Shipments for the Year 1899—Other Mining Notes.

The Arlington, at Slokan City, is raving 160 tons of ore.

A contract has been let on the Ajax for a 300-foot tunnel.

The Ajax Fracture laid off a number of men recently.

One Hillside, at Whitewater, will resume operations in a few days.

W. W. Warner is doing some contract work on the Treasure Vault.

Montreal parties are after the McAllister, on the north fork of Carpenter.

The Noble Five is working 10 men in the mine. It has some very rich ore in the No. 8 tunnel.

The Smuggler group is turning out remarkably well under the Warner-Miller syndicate. The showing in the tunnel is 14 ounces of ore. In November 162 tons of ore were mined in the Queen Bess. There are now three men stopping under contract.

Fourteen men are employed at the Florida, and considerable ore is being taken out, contracts for the hauling of which to Whitewater for shipment having been let. The property has a fine showing of ore proven up, and it will make numerous shipments this winter.

Slokan Ore Shipments.—Total shipped July 1 to December 31, 1899, 17,994 tons. January 1, 1899, to December 23, 1899.

Name	Total
Payne	5,437
Last Chance	2,245
Slokan Star	548
Sapphire	233
Coast	18
Ajax	40
Sovereign	20
North Star	180
Ivanhoe	110
Treasure Vault	112
Red Fox	14
Trade Dollar	50
Liberty Hill	3
Madison	11
Wonderful	20
American Boy	48
Noble Five	45
Idaho Mines	840
Queen Bess	1,441
Wid Goose	15
Monitor	280
Whitewater	2,843
Jackson	874
Hillside	1
Wellington	65
Antoine	11
Rambler	620
Native Silver Bell	48
Dardanelles	1,0
Great Western	48
Florida	39
Iosun	380
Marion	20
North Star	35
Mollie Hughes	81
Fidelity	320
Vancouver	580
Wakefield	580
Emily Edith	60
Comstock	120
Noonday	570
Tamarac	710
Black Prince	35
Chapleau	15
Total tons	19,383

Y.M.R.
Work on the Ymir Mine—The Blackcock to Commence Shipping Ore.

The shaft on the Ymir Belle is now 67 feet and the bottom of it is all in ledge matter. On the footwall there is 18 inches of solid high grade ore.

Shipments of ore are to be commenced very shortly from the Blackcock. The big tunnel is being pushed ahead, besides which some stopping is being done for the approaching shipments.

From May 1, 1899, to December 30, 1899, the Nelson district has produced \$188,508 worth of gold bullion. A large portion of the above mentioned gold bullion is derived rather from the Ymir district than the Nelson as the Ymir mine is the largest contributor.

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THE STOCK MARKET

The Sales in New Years Week Were 105,000 Shares.

MARKET IS A LITTLE STRONGER

It is Thought That the Market Will Soon be in a Good Condition and That Shares Will Before Long Reach the Axt-Bellum Figures.

New Year's week was a little better than Christmas week in the stock market. The recent successes of the British over the Boers in South Africa have given a more hopeful tone to the market, and still larger victories should restore it to its normal condition. There is one thing certain, too, that the price of the shares of companies that have meritorious properties, are like water, as they will ultimately find their level. Some of the shares of the better class of companies went down in price with the recent slump, with the poor and indifferent stocks. The better class of stocks, however, will not remain down long, as they have an intrinsic value which belongs to a certain level, and it will simply be a question of a short time when they will find it. It is believed, too, that the full effect of the war scare has been felt, and that from now on prices should begin to climb up to their proper and legitimate height. Really, when one considers the situation, it seems ridiculous. The Dominion of Canada and the entire North American continent never was in better business condition than they are at the present moment. There is great activity in all sorts of industrial enterprises, such as manufacturing, railway building, etc. The factories have not nearly caught up to the needs of the demand. At the worst the reaction is not due for eight or ten years, if one comes at all. With the Klondike and the American portion of Alaska producing gold in large quantities, the lode mines of Canada doing as well as they are, and furnishing such a large output, these conditions are not natural for a long depression in the stock market, and temporary tightness in the money market, too, should soon disappear, as it has already, to a large extent, in Montreal, Toronto, New York and the other large monetary centers of the east. Under these circumstances it would seem as though now would be a good time to buy stocks; if one followed the Rothschildian maxim of purchasing them when they are cheap and selling them when they are dear. The difficulty, however, is that in a market which is falling, or thought to be a falling one, that there is very little purchasing, for the reason that when shares are tumbling the investor says: "I'll wait for awhile and perhaps I can purchase cheaper than I can now." On the other hand, in a rising market there is much more stock sold, because the investor says: "I'll not wait till tomorrow; I'll purchase today, because tomorrow, perhaps, stocks will be higher and then I will have to pay more for those I intend to buy."

The sales by days during the week ending last evening were as follows:

Thursday.....18,000
Friday.....13,000
Saturday.....32,500
Sunday.....New Year's Day
Tuesday.....23,500
Wednesday.....18,000

Total.....105,000

This total was 105,000 for the week ending last evening, against 98,800 for the week before last. The increase, while not substantial, still is something of an improvement over the week before last, and considering that it was New Year's week, it is not so bad.

Though Van Anda has not been sold locally, it is being handled extensively in the east. On Tuesday there were large sales of it on the Toronto board, and the price ranged from 5 1/4 to 5 1/2 cents.

Waterloo has remained about the same during the past week, and is worth from 12 to 12 1/2 cents.

On the Toronto stock exchange yesterday \$1.01 was asked for Old Ironsides, and 75 cents bid for it.

Rathmullen remains about the same as last week. There is but little trading in it. On the local board yesterday 7 1/2 cents was asked for it.

Brandon & Golden Crown is worth from 28 to 29 1/2 cents.

Morrison is a trifle weaker than it was several days since, and on the local board yesterday 7 cents was asked and 4 1/2 bid for it. The reorganization of this company is not yet completed, but it is understood that it soon will be.

Winnipeg is holding its own, but there is very little trading in it. The management promises to commence the shipment of ore next month whether the spur from the P. R. C. is completed or not. This will necessitate the hauling of the ore in wagons from the mine to the railway, a distance of about two miles. The shares are worth from 28 to 29 cents.

Dardanelles is worth from 10 1/2 to 11 cents. It is understood the shipping of ore has been recommended from this property.

Noble Five has been reorganized. Its capital stock consists of 1,200,000 shares of a par value of one cent each, instead of as formerly, 1,200,000 shares of \$1 each. This makes the par value of all the stock \$12,000. On the board yesterday 16 cents was asked for the stock and 10 cents bid.

Rambler-Cariboo has weakened a little. It is sold during the week at from 55 to 57 cents. There was a sale on the board yesterday of 500 shares at 55 cents.

The work of developing the Tamarac is proceeding along the usual lines. Preparations are under way for deepening the mine and drifting so as to open the mine at depth. Tamarac is worth 9 1/2 to

10 cents. It is holding its own during the flurry in good shape.

Evening Star is steady and is worth from 8 1/2 to 9 cents.

Late news from the Okanagan is to the effect that the ore which is now passing through the mill is worth about \$12 to the ton. The next clean-up should be larger than any of the previous ones. The mill and mine are in a satisfactory condition and the stock is firmer than it has been. There were 6,000 sold on the board yesterday for 8 1/4 cents.

I. X. L. has fallen off a couple of points. It sold as high as 26 cents and yesterday there was a sale of 1,000 on the local board for 23 cents. The ore round on the 150-foot level of this property is as rich as that found in the upper and the intermediate levels. In Toronto I. X. L. is a little higher than it is here, as 24 was bid for it there yesterday and 23 1/2 asked.

Now that Monte Christo is shipping ore there is more inquiry and a little demand for the shares. The shares are worth from 6 to 6 1/4 cents.

War Eagle was quoted by the local board yesterday 82.33 asked and 82.40 bid.

Republic is selling in large blocks for \$1.05 and in small lots at \$1.10.

Deer Trail is firm around 14 cents. This stock fell during the first few days of the slump to 10 cents, but it has since recovered to its present price. The Deer Trail company has paid 19 monthly dividends of a quarter of a cent each, or a total of \$47.50.

Giant still keeps on the move. It went down as low as 6 3/4 cents and has now risen till it is worth from 8 1/2 to 8 3/4 cents.

Appended are the official quotations for yesterday of the Rossland Mining and Stock exchange.

Name	ASKED	BID
Cariboo (Camp McKinney)	\$1.05	
Minnehaha	15	14
Waterloo	12 1/2	12
Smuggler	7 1/2	7
Old Ironsides	75	60
Knob Hill	8 1/2	8
Rathmullen	7 1/2	7
Brandon & Golden Crown	28	26
Morrison	7	4 1/2
Winnipeg	30	28
Albacore	31	29
Dardanelles	10 1/2	10
Noble Five	16	10
Rambler-Cariboo	57 1/2	53
Wonderful	20	18
Crow Nest Pass Co.	\$10.00	\$10.00
Republic	\$1.07	\$1.02
Van Anda	6	5
Old Three	6	5
Deer Park, n.w.	25 1/2	1
Evening Star	9	7 1/2
Giant	8 1/2	8 3/4
Homeake	5	
Iron Col.	12	7 1/2
Iron Mask	60	48
Junco	27	24
Montreal Gold Fields	27	24
Monte Christo	7	5 1/2
Monte Belle	15	12
Novelty	3 1/2	3
St. Elmo Consolidated	6	7
Virginia	6	7
Victory	7	7
War Eagle Consolidated	\$2.33	\$2.40
White Bear	24	23 1/2
Canadian Gold Fields	28	25 1/2
Deer Trail No. 2	14	13 1/2
Fairmont	8	7 1/2
I. X. L.	23	22
Iron Blaine	27	26 1/2
King (Oro Denso)	27	26 1/2
Lone Pine	19	18
Mountain Lion	\$1.06	7
Okanagan	28	27
Palmer Mountain	27	26
Peoria Mines	10	7
Princess Maud	10	7
Tamarac (Kenneth)	10	7
Trail Creek Hidden Treasure	44	41

Thursday's Sales.
I. X. L., 3,000 at 25c; Giant, 2,000, 1,500

QUITE UP TO DATE

Description of the New Home of the Bank of Montreal.

A WELL CONSTRUCTED BUILDING

It is Constructed of Granite and Pressed Brick, and is Nearly Fire Proof as it Can Be and is Provided With Modern Conveniences.

The new Bank of Montreal building on the northeast corner of Washington street and Columbia avenue is now completed, and it is as good a structure of its size as there is in the province. It is provided with all the modern conveniences and is as near fire proof as it is possible for it to be.

The basement is made of cut granite, and this extends six feet above the sidewalk on the Columbia avenue side and something less on the Washington street side, which rises a little from Columbia avenue north. This granite was taken from a railway cut in the eastern part of the city, and is a hard and enduring rock.

There are three offices in the basement. The Spokane Northern Telegraph office occupies the corner office, which is 24x30 feet. Just north of this is the office occupied by Richard Pletzman, which is 20x24 feet. The next office north of Mr. Pletzman's is occupied by Messrs. E. N. Ouimette, J. E. Saucier and F. R. Blockberger. This office is 20x24 feet.

The manager's office is finely furnished. The floor is inlaid in different colored hard woods and a fancy fire place of cream colored pressed brick gives an air of both elegance and comfort to the room. In fact it is the most cosy office imaginable. The entrance to the back room is through an arch. First five stone steps are surmounted. Then the visitor passes through swinging doors, 7x12 feet in size. Then five marble steps, a vestibule and another set of swinging doors are passed before the entrance to the banking room is gained.

To the north of the bank-room on the same floor are the premises occupied by the Great Northern Express company and the Great Northern ticket office. This room is 17x25 feet. The ceiling here is 17 feet high.

Between the banking room and the Great Northern Express office is the entrance to the hallway and stairway which leads to the first floor. The entrance is through swinging doors, each of which is 6.6x10 feet. Above the door is ornamental opal glass set in lead and of various colors, and it bears the legend "Bank of Montreal Chambers." Access is gained to the first floor by platform stairs in four sections of six steps each. The front suite of offices on this floor is occupied by Messrs. Daly & Hamilton and Wm. de V. le Maistre. The main office is 17x26 feet, and of three smaller offices of the suite two are 12x14 and one 13x19 feet. Next is an office, 18x19 feet, which is occupied by Mr. Alexander Dick and Mr. Sandeman, manager of the Coxey and Gettrude.

Still further north is the office occupied by Mr. Hector McCrae, the ground dimensions of which are 15x19 feet. On the east side of the building still further north is a fire-proof vault, for the use of the tenants on this floor, 10x11 feet. This floor also has a lavatory, 10x10 feet.

In the extreme northern portion of the first floor are two offices which are occupied by Messrs. Ross Thompson, John McKane, J. F. McCrae and Thomas Anderson. This complex is used as the quarters of the bank officers, and consists of the manager's apartments, consisting of sitting room, dining room, two bedrooms and a bath room in front, behind which are four bedrooms kitchen and bathroom.

The floor on the ground floor rests on steel beams which support arches of terra cotta, and the first floor is similar. This would prevent the spread of fire. There is considerable colored tiling used in the hallways and floors.

The front walls from the basement to the ground floor are three feet thick, and from that up to the roof are two feet. The rear walls are two and a half feet thick up to the first floor, and from thence to the roof are two feet. There are three coats of troweled stucco in the plastering.

4th, 1894. The difficulty experienced in securing the material considerably delayed matters, and further delay was caused by the fact that the work of laying brick and stone could not be carried on during the winter months. The work was under the very careful supervision of Mr. J. E. Thomas, who as clerk of works looked out in an able manner for the interests of the bank. There was nothing omitted that would add to the utility of the building, and it is a credit to the Bank of Montreal, the Cameron Construction company and to Mr. Thomas. It cost the bank \$50,000, and is worth the money.

This is the first brick building built by the Cameron Construction company in British Columbia, but the manager, Mr. Sol. Cameron, has had a large experience in building structures of this class, having built the administration building of the Agriculture College at Pullman, Wash., the Soldiers' Home at Boise City, Idaho, the State University at Seattle, Wash., the Le Roi Mining & Smelting company's smelter at Northport, Wash., etc. The Cameron Construction company also excavated the rock bluff at the west end of Columbia avenue.

RETURNS ARE GOOD

The Gold Bug Smelter Returns are Very High.

WORK ON IRON COLT PROPERTY

Concentrating Mill of the Philadelphia Given a Trial Run and Found to Work in a Satisfactory Manner—Other Mining Notes of Interest to Flaming Men.

Mr. Hector McKae, manager of the Boundary Creek Milling & Mining company, yesterday received the smelter returns on a carload of ore recently shipped from the Gold Bug, one of the properties of the company located near Greenwood. The average value of the ore per ton was as follows: Gold, 3.72 ounces, worth \$74.40; silver, 130 ounces, worth \$75.40; lead, 12 per cent, worth \$1.40; total value, \$151.20. The total gross value of the 15 tons in the carload was \$2,388. This is the highest grade ore yet shipped from the Boundary Creek country.

Iron Colt Development.

On the Iron Colt one machine is working in the upraise from the tunnel. This has been driven for a distance of 40 feet and the ore body is looking well. The other machine is at work on the north ledge and the showing of ore here is of an encouraging character. An office building, blacksmith shop and sheds are being constructed.

The Philadelphia Concentrator.

The concentrator of the Philadelphia Mining company at Sheep creek, near the line of the Red Mountain railway, was started a few days since, and a trial run of four days had. The machinery worked well. It has been shut down for the winter. In the meanwhile the development of the Mountain Trail continues, and will be pushed during the winter. It is thought by the management that there will be plenty of ore for the concentrator to operate on in the spring.

Work on the Winnipeg.

The latest news from the Winnipeg is to the effect that the hard casing, which is supposed to be next to the vein, has been encountered. Then small strings of ore were encountered and finally an 18-inch seam was met that carries ore rich in copper. This was assayed and found to run 19 per cent in copper. This is taken to indicate that the big ledge is of equal richness and that it will soon be met. The ledge has been opened on the surface. The explorations are on the 300-foot level. Work has been stopped temporarily on this level in order to allow the employees a holiday vacation.

Commenced a Long Tunnel.

A new undertaking of no small magnitude has just been commenced by the Ymir company. A long tunnel has been begun which, starting near the mill, will be run 3,000 feet to tap the vein at great depth. The tunnel is to be large enough to take two car tracks and will form the main working entrance to the mine. On its completion the gravity tramway at the present used for conveying the ore from the mine to the mill will be superseded, the ore being run out through this tunnel quite close to the mill.

The Hall Mines Smelter.

The following is the official report from the Hall Mines smelter for November. Lead smelting, 19 days and 15 hours; 388 tons of purchased lead ore were smelted, together with 128 tons of Silver King ore from the company's mine, from which was produced 105 tons of bullion containing (approximately) from Silver King ore 1,540 ounces silver; from purchased ore, 102 tons lead, 9,790 ounces silver and 387 ounces gold.

The annual report of the Hall Mines company has just been presented in London, and somewhat to the surprise of the shareholders, no dividend is to be paid this year. The profits made, however, have been fully as large as in previous years. The total profits made to the end of September last was \$144,000. From this profit \$16,855 has been written off for depreciation at smelter plant, \$51,385 for development work and \$17,250 for development of other copper properties taken up.

The balance, with that brought down from the previous year, stands at \$150,000, which is reserved for projected development on a large scale.

Dundee Has a Big Ledge. Reports from the Dundee are of an encouraging character. Considerable surface work is in progress. The ledge has been stripped on the surface for something over 1,200 feet. The ledge is found to be from 9 to 10 feet in width, and will average 9 feet.

Hockey at Greenwood. Greenwood, Jan. 1.—McKinney today defeated Greenwood at hockey. The score was 3 to 2.

THE ST. ELMO PLANT

It Has Been Repaired and is Once Again in Motion.

LATE NEWS FROM WANETA

The Plant of the Bunker Hill is Being Hauled in to the Mill Site—The Sheep Creek Valley is to be Opened by a Wagon Road—Other Notes.

The compressor on the St. Elmo has been patched up, and is once more in operation. It will be necessary to get some duplicate parts before it will operate in a proper manner. Work continues in the crosscut from the main tunnel. The crosscut has been driven in for a distance of 150 feet, and is intended to tap a ledge parallel to the one to which the work has hitherto been confined.

Work Around Waneta.

Mr. Ralph Gallier of Waneta, is in the city. He reports that the work of getting in the machinery for the 10-stamp mill of the Bunker Hill Mining company, has been commenced. The extensive work that has been inaugurated by the company has stimulated the owners of properties on both sides of the line, and the result is that a number are developing their properties. The Lake View on the American side, is being developed with promising results.

To Open Sheep Creek Valley.

A pack train of eight horses will leave this morning for Sheep creek, carrying supplies for the employees of the Evening Messrs. F. R. Blochberger and Harry Hanson, of the Evening Mining company, will commence the work next week of constructing a wagon and sleigh road from Melville down Sheep creek to a junction with the wagon road which runs to Northport, and also with the Red Mountain railway. It is anticipated that a road built five miles to the south from Melville, will form a junction with the Northport road, from thence it is nine miles to Northport, making the total distance from Melville to Northport will be 14 miles. The citizens of Northport will, it is understood, aid in the construction of the road, as there are some valuable claims adjacent to it, both north and south of the international boundary line. The object in constructing the road from Melville is so as to secure an outlet for the ore from the Evening, Arthur and other mining properties in that vicinity.

London Stock Market.

A cable received from London on Thursday stated that the stock market there was quiet and the sales limited, for the reason that very few are offering shares for sale at the prevailing prices. For British America corporation shares 13s 6d was bid and 17s and 9d asked. For Le Roi shares 24 1/2 was bid and 24 1/4 1/8 6d asked.

A BIG STOCK DEAL.

The Sum of \$87,000 Paid for Shares of the Excelsior.

A big deal involving payments of nearly \$100,000 was completed in Nelson on Thursday, says the Nelson Miner of yesterday, when Mr. Ernest Mansfield purchased 28,000 shares of the stock of the Excelsior Gold Mining company for \$87,000 for M. Rene Landi of London, Eng. The chief vendors were Messrs. Taylor and Lambert, the original locators of the Joker, who received \$55,000 for their share of the stock. Mr. Robert McGregor got \$20,000 for his shares and, among other local holders, Mr. Andrews got \$1,000 for 400 shares and Mrs. Painton, \$250 for 100.

It will be remembered that about 10 months ago Mr. Mansfield bonded the Joker group on the south fork of Kaslo creek for the Klondike Champs d'Or syndicate, who organized the Excelsior Gold Mining company to operate the group as a subsidiary company. The new concern was capitalized at \$200,000, and the shares put on the London and French markets were quickly taken up. Good reports have been received from the mine, and the shares are in good demand on the other side of the water, which is probably the reason for this move. M. Landi and his associates were heavily interested in the Excelsior company before, and it is understood that this fresh acquisition gives them the control.

This is the largest cash transaction of the kind that has been put through in Nelson. The fact that foreign capitalists have begun to send out to this country for large blocks of local mining stock is a most healthy sign, and means the supplying of this country's greatest want, a ready market for stock. It may not be too much to hope that before long all reputable stocks will have a cash market value, and that it will be possible here, as it was in Johannesburg, to sell one's stock freely in London at current prices. The system there was to deposit the stock with a bank, cable a London broker and in an hour or so the money thereof was to your credit. There is no reason why that which was done in South Africa should not be done here.

A DISQUEETING RUMOR.

Meeting of Afrikaners Anxious to Rise and Seize Cape Town.

Cape Town, Jan. 1.—Ugly rumors are in circulation of a Dutch rising with the object of seizing Cape Town and the docks and capturing the governor or Cape Colony, Sir Alfred Milner. The centre of the movement is said to be Paarl, a village about 30 miles from Cape Town, where a meeting of the Afrikaners was held yesterday. A similar meeting was held at Richmond on December 28th, and it is reported that the members of the band in these two towns are acting in concert. The members of the band at Wellington and the Dutch in the Claremont district are said to be armed with Mausers and to be anxious to use them in behalf of the Boers. Although the story of a rising is discredited, the police and military are taking ample precautions.

The International.

An enormous house greeted the artists at the International Music Hall last night. Every nook and corner was utilized to accommodate the patrons, and for good cause, for one of the brightest shows yet seen in Rossland delighted the crowd. Foremost among the artists was Cyrene, assisted by Mr. Noonan, in a Frenchified version of the cake walk. A beautiful woman, fithe and graceful, with enough chic, dash and fire for a dozen average artists; to see her is alone worth the price of admission. Messrs. Noonan, Arnoldo, the Misses Lewis and Grant, "Little Store Acres," Miss Mattie Webb, a handsome woman, good dresser and gifted with a soprano voice of wonderful sweetness and purity; Horace Mann in coster songs, and Tom Morrissey in Irish witticisms, complete the list of new people who appeared, and last but not least, the full company in a merry sparkling burlesque, with up-to-date music and well drilled operatic chorus, the accompaniment of brilliant costumes, pretty faces and figures, made a showing fit for a higher priced theatre. Everything clean, crisp and fetching. It is a certainty that packed houses will be the rule under the new policy with which the house will be conducted, and all who want to spend an especially agreeable evening should visit the International this week.

THE STOCK REVIEW

Business was Exceedingly Dull During the Year 1899.

WERE TWO LULLS IN THE YEAR

One Commenced in June and Lasted Over a Month and the Other in December, and was Caused by the Holidays and the War.

The stock transactions during the year 1899 were large, being much greater than for any previous year. Toronto, if anything, purchased more than ever before, while Montreal and Ottawa took a bigger interest in our shares than heretofore. The smaller towns of Eastern Canada, such as St. John, Brandon and Winnipeg, were also purchasers of shares. Toward the latter end of the year, along in October, November and December, Rossland's stock of shares ran pretty low, and the result was that this city was changed from a selling into a buying market, and considerable stock was purchased in Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa. This strengthened the confidence of the Eastern purchasers and aided materially in sustaining the market. It gave the East confidence to see the West make such large purchases.

Business commenced to revive early in 1899, and by the middle of January was in full swing, and it kept up at a lively pace till about the beginning of June. Then a material reaction set in, and there ensued a period of quietude which lasted for something over a month. There was some trading during this time, but it was not till about the beginning of the first week in July that business brightened up. Then there ensued, till about the first of December, one of the liveliest flurries in stock circles that has yet been witnessed in this camp. This is shown by the fact that in the week ending November 8th sales were 388,807 shares, for the week ending Wednesday, November 15th, they reached 584,825 shares, the week ending November 24th, 386,500, and for the week ending November 29th, 487,300 shares. This gives a grand total of 1,811,132 shares for 28 days of the month of November. This, in a measure, shows that business was exceedingly lively during a period of five months.

Then came a lull. This was caused by the natural reaction after having had a very lively flurry for so long a period. The tightness of the money market caused by the South African war also did its share toward restricting business, as it made money hard to get. These, combined with the fact that the holidays were approaching, caused a lessening in sales and a slump in values. Conservative brokers feel certain that there will be a resumption of business about the middle of January. This should come quicker, perhaps, than that date should a great battle or two be won by the British in South Africa.

A mining stock board was organized by the brokers of Rossland last April. There was considerable opposition to such an organization at first, but this has gradually worn away and it is regarded by both the brokers and their customers as of distinct benefit to their business. Formerly shares had as many prices, in some instances, as there were brokers, and there was a wide divergence between the quotations. This was the cause of a great deal of dissatisfaction. Now the prices of shares are fixed at the daily sessions of the exchange. One of the beneficial results of this exchange is that investors know the price that is being paid for stocks which they may buy or sell and know exactly what commission is being charged, and the result is more satisfactory to both customer and broker. The shares in the board are now worth about \$100. The stock exchange is certain to grow, and fill even a larger share of usefulness than at present.

To show how the price of some of the shares has ranged up and down a few of them will be shown.

Rambler-Cariboo was worth 11 1/2 on January 1, 1899, and along in the spring it advanced to 40 cents. In June, during the midsummer slump, it fell to 28 cents, and it gradually advanced to 50 cents in September, and fell off to 44 later. Then came the announcement that regular dividends of 1 cent per share per month would be paid, and this advanced the stock to 60 cents. Then came the slump early in December, and it is now worth 57 cents. It is paying interest at the rate of 21 per cent per annum on the present price.

Operations on the I. X. L., after a shut down of a couple of years, were resumed in June last and under new management. The stock was worth 10 cents when work was resumed, and it has gradually climbed up to 20 cents, and is now worth about 25 cents.

There has been a great deal of trading in King (Oro Denoro) during the year. In the spring of 1899 it was worth 15 cents, and has gradually climbed up till it sold at times for 30 cents. It is now worth

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about 27 cents. Giant was being disposed of a year since for 4 cents, and it gradually fell till it could be bought during the spring, summer and fall for 2 1/2 cents. Since the old Le Roi crowd took possession of the property of the Giant by virtue of a six months' option on the stock on November 1, the price has advanced to 10 cents. In the past few days it fell off a few points and recovered, and is now worth 9 cents. Centre Star was put on the market three months since for \$1.50 a share, and now it is worth \$1.75. Okanagan was being sold a year ago for 10 cents, and soon it went to 11, 12, 13 and 14, and finally to 16 cents. It has suffered considerably through the recent slump, and sold as low as 6 cents. It is recovering under the influence of good reports from the mine and mill, and which are reported to be both in good condition. A 10-foot vein of \$12 ore was recently met, and the affairs of the company are in a very bright and promising condition. Winnipeg has sold largely during the year. In the commencement of the year it could have been purchased for 28 cents, and it climbed to as high as 32 cents. It has, however, hung around the 30-cent point for most of it, and today is worth 29 cents. The management has announced that if the railway is not completed to the mine inside of a month, that it will commence hauling ore to the railway, a distance of two miles. This ore is of a high grade, and the property is in good condition. Monte Christo was worth 10 cents a year ago, and it gradually fell till it could be purchased for 3 cents. A month since work was resumed on the property and the shipping of ore recommenced. The ore is of low grade, but it is thought it can be made to yield a profit under the prevailing low freight and treatment rate. The shares are now worth 7 cents. On January 1st of last year Evening Star was worth 6 cents, and it sold for as high as 10 cents later in the season, and rose and fell with the flurries and lulls in the market. A control of the capital stock of the company has been secured by George B. McAulay and associates of Spokane, and work has been resumed on the property. The shares are worth 9 cents, and it is thought that when the reorganization is completed, there will be a larger demand for them than at present. Work has been resumed on the Iron Colt after a shut down of about 22 months. The shares were down to 3 cents, but since operations were resumed they have advanced and are worth 10 cents. The company is now an assessable one, and the assessments provide ample funds for development. A great deal of Rathmullen has changed hands during the year. It was worth 5 cents a year ago. It sold as high as 8 1/2 cents, and is now worth from 6 3/4 to 7 cents. There has been a great deal of movement in Republic during the year. A year since it was worth \$3.10, and sold as high as \$4. The control was purchased by one of the McCuaig, Rykert syndicates, and the original shareholders were given three shares in the new company for one in the old one. These shares are now worth about \$1.08. Pine has been a good seller during the year. It was worth 30 cents a year since, and advanced to 40 cents. The company was reorganized and the Surprise and the Pearl consolidated with it. The Lone Pine got a share and a half in the new company for one share in the old. These

A False Alarm. A false alarm of fire was turned in at 5:20 this morning from the corner of Spokane street and Columbia ave. The brigade responded with its usual promptness to find its services not needed.

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THURSDAY, January 5, 1900
WORK ON RAINY DAY
 The Company Owning This Property
 is Pushing Work.
A QUARTZ MILL TO BE ERRECTED
 The Ore is a Quartz and Averages \$40 to the
 Ton Mr. W. I. Reddin Reports a Strike on
 a Mining Property in the Buffalo Hump
 Country.
 The shareholders in the Gold Reef Min-
 ing & Milling company, limited, decided at
 a meeting held a few days ago, to pre-
 ceed with development work on the Rainy Day,
 on Wic. Horse creek, near Ymir. With
 that end in view, the gang at present
 working on vein No. 2, will continue opera-
 tions all winter and has been supplied with
 provisions to last until June, 1900. This
 valuable property is well known to be
 the backbone of the free milling belt of
 the Ymir district. On the Rainy Day two
 shafts have been sunk, each 35 feet deep,
 proving the leads to be true fissures. The
 intention of the company now is to sink a
 third shaft a depth of 100 feet, and then
 tunnel to crosscut the three leads known
 to exist. With the constant improvement
 in value as depth is obtained, and the de-
 termination of the company to make a
 mine, it is thought to be merely a matter
 of time before the Rainy Day is added
 to the list of shippers in the Ymir dis-
 trict.
 The erection of a stamp mill is contem-
 plated as soon as the output warrants its
 construction. This will greatly reduce the
 cost of production. The ore from the
 three leads is similar in character, being
 a quartz, well mineralized and very much
 stained and discolored by the oxidation of
 iron sulphures, and is free from the walls
 of country rock which consists of a quartz
 granite, gneiss and porphyry. As all three
 leads traverse the entire length of the
 Rainy Day, the underlying body if ore can
 be estimated to be of vast proportion, the
 work done proving the leads to widen as
 depth is obtained, from three feet at the
 surface to eight feet at a depth of 35 feet.
 It is possible to prosecute work on the
 mine and in the mill all the year round.
 The Gold Reef Mining & Milling company,
 limited, is to be incorporated upon owning
 what may prove the future bonanza of the
 Ymir camp. The ore averages across the
 shafts at a depth of 35 feet, \$40.
MADE A STRIKE.
 The Ledger on the S. & B. H. Property
 Has Been Found.
 Mr. W. I. Reddin received advices yester-
 day from the Buffalo Hump country. Mr.
 Reddin is one of the organizers of the
 Spokane and Buffalo Hump mining com-
 pany which is operating the Spokane,
 Pansy and Kodak mineral claims in that
 country. Mr. David Stussi, formerly of
 this city, is the locator of these properties
 and is now the managing director of the
 company, and is superintending the opera-
 tions upon them. He writes that in a
 crosscut tunnel on the property, at a depth
 of 350 feet, they have cut the ledge and
 are into it for five feet with no wall in
 sight. Samples received by the company
 in Spokane and assayed yesterday, give re-
 turns of \$31.70 in gold, and \$3.30 in silver,
 or a total of \$35. The ore is a free milling
 quartz. The ledge on the surface was 9
 feet in width and gave returns of \$19.50 in
 all values. There are 150,000 shares of this
 stock held in this city. Hon. T. Mayne
 Daly of this city, and Cyrus Happy, C.
 O'Brien Reddin, J. W. Buckley of Spoka-
 ne, and David Stussi of the Buffalo
 Hump, are the directors of the company.
Good News From the Okanogan.
 Yesterday a letter was received from
 Mr. A. S. Edgcombe, superintendent of the
 Okanogan Free Gold Mines, to the effect
 that everything was moving along about
 the mine and the mill in a satisfactory
 manner. He sent three days' assays
 for the 17th, 18th and 19th instants. The
 assays averaged \$12 to the ton. The ledge
 in the working tunnel, from which the ore
 is now being extracted, is proving very sat-
 isfactory, and the values are increasing,
 which is shown by the assays. Superin-
 tendent Edgcombe expects to strike the
 second ledge in this tunnel in a very
 few days. Mr. Frank D. Howe, the con-
 sulting engineer of the company, is exam-
 ining the property this week, and is over-
 seeing the work that is being done. The as-
 say returns for the mill run from the 20th
 to the 25th, will be here shortly.
Work on the Peoria.
 Late advices from the Peoria are to the
 effect that the work of exploration is mak-
 ing good progress. Up to date, 53 feet of
 shafting and 150 feet of crosscut, drifts
 and upraises have been made. Work is
 now being continued to the six-inch vein of
 clean galena that is in evidence at the end
 of a 40 foot drift. The property of the Pe-
 oria company is in a good location, as it
 adjoins the Dardanelles. The property of
 both companies are located in the Dardan-
 elles basin, four miles from Sandon, in the
 Socan country.
BAPTIST CHURCH.
 Watch Service by the Young People's
 Union.
 The Trail Creek Young People's Union
 held a watchnight service at the Baptist
 church on Sunday night. The services
 commenced at 11 o'clock p. m. and lasted
 until 15.15. Ralph Clark, president of the
 union, delivered a short address. He was
 followed by Mr. W. E. Booth, Mr. T. Edgar
 Plewman and others. The addresses were
 along the lines of thanksgiving for
 favors received during the past year and
 of a determination to lead Christian lives
 during this year and the years that are to
 come. The addresses were interspersed with
 hymns, which were participated in by all present.
 The meeting concluded with the rendition of
 the hymn, "God Be With You Till We Meet
 Again," rendered by the Christian Endeav-
 owerers, and then the benediction was pro-
 nounced.

CUSTOMS AND REVENUE.
 What Collectors McCraney and McDonald
 Collected for the Government.
 Mr. H. P. McCraney, inland revenue col-
 lector for Rossland district, reports the fol-
 lowing collections for inland revenue in
 Rossland for the month of December:
 Spirits.....\$2,328.77
 Malts.....316.60
 Cigars.....100.80
 Raw leaf tobacco.....40.90
 Total.....\$2,787.07
 Custom House Returns.
 The custom house returns for the month
 of December are above the average for
 the year, though not equal to the large
 figures of November. The exports were as
 follows:

Ore, 8,045 tons.....	\$225,260
Matte, 699,037 lbs.....	191,121
All other exports.....	3,618
Total.....	\$420,008

 The imports for December were as fol-
 lows:

Free goods.....	\$18,442
Dutiable goods.....	59,875
Total.....	\$78,317

 The amount of duty collected was \$14,522.30,
 bringing the total for the year up to
 \$1,569,917.10, a monthly average of \$13,082.42,
 so that the month was well above the
 average.
 The total exports for the year were \$3,989,549,
 a monthly average of \$327,479. The total
 imports were \$775,304, a monthly average
 of \$64,942. There has been a most marked
 increase during the last six months. The
 imports from July to December were
 \$435,222 as compared with \$343,082 from
 January to June. The increase of exports
 in the last six months of the year are still
 greater, the total from July to December
 being \$2,999,309, as compared with
 \$1,530,240 from January to June.
W. C. T. U. NOTES.
 It is now three months since the Ross-
 land W. C. T. U. was organized and since
 that time they have been adding new
 names to their roll, and have placed boxes
 for free literature in the postoffice and in
 each of the depots, and are now preparing
 to organize an anti-cigarette league among
 the children. A teacher in the public
 school, by request, asked the pupils in her
 room, "Who ever has smoked a cigarette
 to raise his right hand," and a hand of
 every littleurchin in the room went up.
 Miss Murcutt of Australia, a W. C. T. U.
 lecturer, is expected in Rossland in
 January. Her lecture will be illustrated
 with lantern views. One is on "Australia,
 its Black Races and Their Customs"; an-
 other, "By Way of the Cross" and other
 attractive views pleasing to the children.
 Full particulars will be given later.
 Questions are being asked, "What is the
 W. C. T. U.?" and "What is the aim of
 the union?" Although the W. C. T. U. is
 known throughout the world in most com-
 munities, yet for the benefit of those who
 do not know, we will say that the W. C. T. U.
 is a society of Christian women pledged to
 total abstinence and bonded together for
 the preservation of the home, the educa-
 tion of the young, the elevation of public
 sentiment in behalf of the cause of tem-
 perance, purity, arbitration, peace, etc.
 A small white ribbon bow is the badge of
 the union.
 The W. C. T. U. originated in the United
 States, just after the "Famous Temperance
 Crusade" of 1873-74. The organizer being
 the late Frances E. Willard of New York.
 The work soon spread among the Christian
 women of Canada, but is now known to be
 world wide. The paid-up membership of the
 United States is about 150,000 and of Canada
 about 8,000, or about 160,000 in all. Gentlemen
 are also admitted to the union as honorary
 members. The union is divided into de-
 partmental work; a superintendent being
 assigned to do the work of that depart-
 ment.
 The Rossland W. C. T. U. has taken up
 several of these works, some of which we
 will mention: The alcoholic, narcotic,
 press and evangelistic departments. An-
 other beautiful work is the flower mission.
 In the last named mission bouquets of flow-
 ers and delicacies are taken to the sick,
 who are away from their friends. Al-
 though this department has not been taken
 up by the union, some of the members
 have been looking after this work.
A CONTEST OVER CHILDREN.
 A Divorced Couple Each Want the Care of
 Their Bairns.
 There is a contest on between Mr. Ed-
 ward Burr and Mrs. Burr, ex-wife, for the
 care and custody of their two minor
 children, which will probably be fought
 out in the courts. According to the story
 told by Mrs. Burr, she was granted a di-
 vorce from her husband two years since by
 the superior court in Spokane. The court
 awarded the care and custody of the chil-
 dren to the father until such time as she
 should be able to properly provide for
 them. Mrs. Burr has not been as fortun-
 ate as she might have been, but finally
 she came to this city and secured employ-
 ment in the store of C. F. Eagles, at a
 good salary, in the capacity of dressmaker.
 As soon as she found herself in a position
 to take care of the children, which was
 about two weeks since, she went to Che-
 welah, Wash., secured the youngsters, and
 now has them with a family in this city.
 She alleges that they were not properly
 fed or cared for while with the family at
 Chewelah, where they were left by her
 husband. Burr, when he learned of what
 his wife had done, came to this city in
 search of his progeny, and declared that
 they had been kidnapped. He appealed to
 Chief Ingram, but he could do nothing in
 the premises beyond endeavoring to
 have the matter arranged in a manner
 satisfactory to both the parties at inter-
 view. He sent Officer Bradshaw with Burr
 to see Mrs. Burr, and the result of the in-
 terview was a flat refusal on her part to
 surrender her bairns to their father. The
 matter will now be taken into the courts.
Bornite Bank Still Improving.
 The Bornite Bank Gold Mining com-
 pany seems to have got hold of a bonanza
 in the property recently secured on afor-
 mentioned mountain, near Nelson. A letter
 from the foreman, George H. Colwell, dated
 December 29th, states: "The ore is still
 improving. This morning we hoisted the
 best yet found in the property. It is beau-
 tiful, solid ore. There is more and better
 copper. The boys are delighted with the
 outlook."

THE YEAR'S WORK
 Ore Shipments, 183,670 Tons Valued
 at \$3,306,060.
MINES MAKE GREAT PROGRESS
 Comparison with the Work of Previous Years—
 The Pay Roll—Number of Miners—Some In-
 vestment Capital—Outlook for 1900 is Very
 Promising.
 For the year just ended the mines
 of Rossland camp sent out approxi-
 mately 183,670 tons of ore, as against 116,000
 tons in 1898, and 68,000 tons in 1897. The
 value of the ore sent out is put at \$3,306,060,
 although taking the customs return into
 consideration, the value should be consid-
 erably higher, and it is safe to say that
 when the official figures in detail are ob-
 tained, the total will be found to exceed
 that given. This time last year the an-
 nual report of the War Eagle company was
 public property, and Mr. W. A. Carlyle
 had prepared some official figures for pub-
 lication. This year Mr. Kirby's report is
 not due until next month, under the an-
 nouncement of the manager in November
 last with the company, and Mr. Bernard
 McDonald, the new manager of the B. A. C.'s
 properties is not yet in a position to hand
 out certain information looked for, hence
 the approximations given are necessarily
 void of details, which will be given later.
 The fact that the annual shipments of
 ore now exceed 180,000 tons gives eloquent
 proof of the large amount of steady de-
 velopment accomplished during the past 12
 months in the four large producers of the
 camp, but as Mr. Carlyle stated in his
 farewell address, the work of the year has
 been one of development largely, and this
 is true of every working property in the
 camp. A large quantity of the ore taken
 out and sent to the smelter has come out
 in the course of ordinary development,
 pure and simple. The managers have only
 turned to stopping when it became neces-
 sary to do so for commercial reasons. It
 will be noticed that the value per ton of
 ore mined and shipped is considerably low-
 er than in former years, but the reason is
 clear and beyond doubt. In the early his-
 tory of the camp the charges for freight
 and treatment were so high, that only high
 grade ore could find its way to the smelter,
 and when lower grade ore had to be mined
 and brought to the surface, it was placed
 on the dump to await the time when bet-
 ter and cheaper rates could be obtained.
 On the Le Roi dump today there is 120,-
 000 tons of this second class ore, and al-
 ready stated in these columns during the
 year, the management has made prepara-
 tions to send this all down to Northport,
 the terms for freight and treatment having
 steadily fallen, until now, \$8 ore can be
 made to pay. In the mine workings in
 former years about eight feet of the ore
 was taken out. Now, this has been ex-
 tended from time to time until the work-
 ings are 30 feet wide. The formation here
 has no regular walls in a mining sense, as
 a rule, but commercially speaking, the work-
 ings can be widened and widened from the
 former width of eight feet, until from 25
 to 30 feet of width has been attained, and
 the value of the ore decreasing, as a rule, until
 a point is finally reached when it does not
 pay to ship. In the way mentioned,
 it will readily be seen how large quantities
 of much lower grade ore are now sent out
 than in former years, hence the value per
 ton has considerably decreased.
 It must not be forgotten, however, that
 one of the chief guarantees of the perman-
 ence and prosperity of Rossland camp has
 for its base the very fact of the mining
 and smelting of the low grade ore referred
 to. It insures the steady employment of
 a large force of miners and a necessarily
 large output of ore, which would not be
 the case if the ore here was all of a high
 grade.
 The number of miners employed on the
 properties in and around the camp is con-
 stantly changing, but an average estimate
 is given. During the late spring, summer
 and autumn months a larger amount of
 assessment and prospecting work is done
 every year, which may legitimately be in-
 cluded in estimating the amount of money
 paid out each month. It will be found if
 all the sources for mining labor are taken
 into consideration, that in Rossland dis-
 trict and tributary to the city, over 1,400
 miners now find employment. The con-
 sequent pay roll for this small army of work-
 ers has steadily increased all the past year,
 until at the present time from all sources
 it has very nearly reached the respectable
 total of \$150,000 per month. In the tabu-
 lation of \$150,000 of the larger properties
 hereunder, it must be remembered that
 in many of the properties, the West Le Roi
 for instance, new machinery is being in-
 stalled, and when this is in mining order
 the actual number of miners employed will
 be considerably increased.
 With the freight and smelting charges
 at rail at \$9 per ton, and Northport of-
 fering \$4.50, several properties which re-
 mained idle for the past three years have
 commenced work again, and as further re-
 duction in the charges is looked for, it is
 only fair to suppose that we are already
 at work of working properties of Rossland
 camp will not only be maintained, but be
 considerably increased during 1900. The
 percentage of shipping properties may also
 be looked to confidently to make a still
 better showing than in the past. The un-
 doubtedly large amount of development
 work accomplished up to the present time
 is bound to show up during the coming
 twelve months, and the year promises in
 many ways to be the most interesting one
 the camp has ever known.
 The dividends declared and paid during
 the year amount to the sum of \$365,000.
 The Le Roi company paying \$250,000, and
 the War Eagle Consolidated \$315,000, or
 \$26,250 per month.
 Appended will be found a detailed state-
 ment (approximately) of the camp's ore
 output during the year 1899, the 13 ship-
 ping mines giving a total of 183,670 tons,
 as follows:
 The Year's Ore Shipments.

Le Roi.....	94,337
War Eagle.....	64,748
Centre Star.....	16,855
Iron Mask.....	5,648
Evening Star.....	1,088
Deer Park.....	1,088
Centre Star.....	16,855
Columbia-Kootenay.....	111
Virginia.....	109

 Mountain Trail..... 20
 I. X. L..... 100
 Coxy..... 20
 Monte Christo..... 552
 Giant..... 75
 Total tons for year..... 183,670
 The Le Roi easily headed the list with
 over 94,000 tons. The combined shipments
 of the War Eagle and Centre Star total 81,
 603, while the Iron Mask sent out over
 5,600 tons of carefully sorted ore.
 The output was divided between the
 smelters about as follows:
 To the Canadian Smelter at Trail.

War Eagle.....	64,603
Iron Mask.....	5,648
Monte Christo.....	552
Virginia.....	109
Deer Park.....	1,088
Evening Star.....	1,088
Total.....	89,007

 To the Le Roi Smelter at Northport.

Le Roi.....	94,337
I. X. L.....	100
Coxy.....	20
Monte Christo.....	20
Mountain Trail.....	20
Total.....	94,522

 To the Hall Mines Smelter at Nelson.

Columbia-Kootenay.....	111
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 Men Employed.

War Eagle and Centre Star.....	617
Le Roi.....	347
West Le Roi.....	65
East Le Roi.....	50
Columbia-Kootenay.....	31
B. A. C. offices, shops, etc.....	37
Iron Mask.....	61
Velvet.....	30
Mountain Trail.....	25
All others.....	150
Total.....	1,421

 In the list given no mention is made of
 the Giant, I. X. L., Sunset No. 2, St.
 Elmo, White Bear, Deer Park, Evening
 Star, California, Jumbo, Coxy, Gertrude,
 Mascot, Iron Colt and several others, so
 the figures given are well within the esti-
 mate.
Some Capital Invested.
 Total amount invested by the British
 America corporation in obtaining the
 properties mentioned and expended upon
 them for development to date:

Le Roi.....	\$3,950,362.00
West Le Roi group.....	921,675.17
East Le Roi group.....	559,185.12
Columbia-Kootenay group.....	471,165.21
California group.....	31,291.83
Tootsie and Whoop-Up.....	17,944.15
Cost of administration.....	106,188.00
Supplies carried in stock.....	32,000.00
Expended on surface and other improvements.....	39,682.00
Capital invested in the War Eagle and Centre Star mines, as stated by the manager at the Glute investigation last month.....	3,500,000.00
Total for the companies men- tioned.....	\$9,829,491.48

Monthly Pay Roll.

Le Roi.....	\$33,155.00
War Eagle.....	30,026.45
Centre Star.....	18,438.20
No. 1.....	6,015.00
Jodie.....	2,851.93
Columbia-Kootenay.....	2,754.00
Great Western.....	2,934.00
Nickel Plate.....	3,160.00
B. A. C. machine shops.....	2,190
B. A. C. general office.....	4,000.00
Iron Mask.....	5,500.00
Sunset No. 2.....	2,500.00
I. X. L.....	2,400.00
Mascot.....	2,100.00
California.....	1,500.00
White Bear.....	1,600.00
St. Elmo.....	1,000.00
Deer Park.....	1,800.00
Jumbo.....	750.00
All other working mines.....	5,000.00
Total.....	\$132,768.65

 In the above list no mention is made of
 the Giant, Coxy, Gertrude, Velvet, Moun-
 tain Trail, Iron Colt and several other
 working properties. Nor in any account
 taken of the amount expended for mining
 labor on assessments and prospecting
 work or of the many properties like the
 Commander, Luy May and others which
 have worked intermittently during the
 year. If these are all taken into account
 the monthly average will be found to be
 not far from \$150,000.
Wages Paid.
 The schedule of wages in force in Ros-
 land camp was as follows: Machine
 miners, \$3.50; in shafts, \$4 to \$4.50; shov-
 elers and car-men, \$2.50; timbermen, \$3,
 \$3.50 and \$4; mechanics (machinists) \$3.50
 to \$4; engineers, \$3.50, and \$3 for under-
 ground eight-hour work. The present
 schedule, it must be remembered that
 in many of the properties, the West Le Roi
 for instance, new machinery is being in-
 stalled, and when this is in mining order
 the actual number of miners employed will
 be considerably increased.
Railway Receipts.
 The total receipts at the Rossland office
 of the Spokane Fall & Northern branch of
 the Great Northern railway for 1899,
 amounted to \$333,831.63, made up as fol-
 lows:

Freight receipts.....	\$282,477.73
Passenger receipts.....	84,453.90
Total.....	\$333,831.63

CATHOLIC CHURCH.
 A Close-of-the-Century Midnight Mass
 Celebrated.
 At the Catholic church a large congrega-
 tion gathered on Sunday evening to see
 the old year put and the new year in.
 The service was of an impressive char-
 acter. A midnight mass was celebrated
 with Father Walsh as the celebrant. It
 was given with full choir and orchestral
 effects. Professor Emile Dreyfous was
 musical director. The mass which was by
 Farmer, was very finely rendered. The
 principal soloists were Miss Purcell and
 Mrs. McMillan. The mass is a special one
 which is delivered at the close of each
 century. At the close Father Walsh de-
 livered an eloquent sermon, during which
 he reviewed the affairs of the church for
 the past year. He told of the improve-
 ments that had been made in way of
 plastering the church and providing it
 with electric lights and of the walk,
 which gave better access than formerly.
 Father Walsh told his congregation how
 they should strive unceasingly to improve
 their spiritual condition during the year
 and hoped that all would follow the advice
 which he gave them.

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 train.
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 Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock.
 Victoria to New Westminster and Ladner's
 and Lulu Island—Wednesdays and Fridays at
 7 o'clock.
 For Moreby and Pender Islands—Friday at
 7 o'clock.
 Leave New Westminster to Victoria Monday at
 12:15 o'clock; Thursdays and Saturdays at
 7 o'clock.
 For Plummer Pass—Thursdays and Saturdays at
 7 o'clock.
 For Pender and Moreby Islands—Thursday
 at 7 o'clock.
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 uver, 1st and 15th of each month at 8 o'clock.
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 Sound ports the 1st, 10th and 20th of each
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 Steamers leave every Wednesday for Wageset,
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 ing steamer International from Kaslo at
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 days and Fridays.
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 and Argenta at 8:00 p. m., Sundays.
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 both directions, and at other points,
 when signalled. Tickets sold to all points
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 ascertain rates and full information, ad-
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The Weather.
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 Wind, N. E. light.
 Snowfall, 1.8.
 Snowfall to date, 56.2.

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SIR CHARLES TUPPER.

Sir Charles Tupper's speech at the
 Miners' Union Hall last evening was a
 splendid rhetorical effort for a man of his
 advanced years and necessarily impaired
 vigor. This was the general and very just
 comment. It was a pleasing address too,
 by reason of the courteous manner in
 which he spoke of his political opponents
 and the justice he was evidently desirous
 of doing them when he touched on other
 than questions of party politics. Sir
 Charles, however, is too large a man and
 has been a prominent figure in great af-
 fairs for too many years, to deal in the
 petty detractions that characterize village
 discussions.

But as a political speech it was cer-
 tainly not a success, because there was
 absolutely nothing in it which could
 change a vote or arouse the enthusiasm
 of his own followers. The fault for that
 however, does not lie at Sir Charles' door,
 but at that of the present Dominion
 government, which has left him nothing
 to criticize, but which has administered
 the general affairs of the country during
 the past three years with an honesty and
 wisdom which has given no real ground
 for complaint. His chief quarrel with the
 present administration was that it had
 stolen the policy of the Conservative
 government, and had fulfilled none of its
 pledges in regard to the tariff. Non-fulfillment
 of pledges is the unceasing cry of an opposi-
 tion against a party in power. It is the
 necessary foundation of all constitutional
 opposition, and the people understanding
 this are not disposed to regard it with
 attention unless specific proofs are
 adduced against a government
 such as will show that it
 has deviated, to the detriment of the
 country, from the policy which gained for
 it the votes of the people. Sir Charles,
 for himself, is unable to do
 this. He makes any attempt to do
 it in generalities, which had no
 effect, and could not possibly have any.
 The Liberals have, in many instances,
 materially altered the tariff for the
 country's benefit; but had they not done
 so what quarrel have the Conservatives
 with them? If the government found
 when it came into power that the Conser-
 vative policy was best adapted to the
 country it was surely a wise and right
 thing for them to abandon their own and
 adopt that of their opponents. It must
 not be forgotten, too, that it was not on
 a question of tariff policy that the Liber-
 als were elected to power. The Conser-
 vatives were defeated because their ad-
 ministration was so dishonest and so cor-
 rupt that the country would no longer en-
 dure it. They had been so long in power
 that the rankest abuses had sprung into
 existence and the departments of govern-
 ment were employed for the spoils and
 corruption of the people. Under the
 government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier the
 country has enjoyed an unusual degree of
 prosperity; the public finances have
 been honestly administered and the
 public interests carefully guarded. In the past
 three years there has grown up a national
 sentiment which did not exist under
 previous administrations, and the strong
 imperialistic feeling which animates the
 people of Canada, as it never animated
 them before, is due in no small measure
 to the sagacity and patriotism of Sir
 Wilfrid Laurier. That the country has
 made such progress and enjoys such
 content may not be due entirely to the
 wisdom and ability of the administration,
 but any fair-minded man will admit
 it must have had no little share in
 bringing about such a happy condition
 of affairs. That the railway policy of the
 government has not been perfect may be,
 in fact, perfectly true. But it has been
 very much better and certainly far
 more in the interests of the
 people than that of the former adminis-
 tration. The Conservative governments
 parted with the money and acreage of the
 country to the inter-oceanic railway with
 such a lavish hand that that corporation
 now boasts that they own a principality
 of land. No concessions however great,
 however dangerous to the people's future
 interests could be demanded which were
 not unhesitatingly granted. It has been
 the efforts of the present government to
 restrain the rapacity of this corporation
 and limit their power as far as possible.

Sir Charles' prophecy that the next
 federal elections will see a change in the
 government, is scarcely founded on any
 reasonable hope or expectation. The
 people will hardly make a change without
 some good reason, and none now exists.
 They will certainly not be inclined

to take the reins of power out of the hands of the men now
 in office and put them in the hands of
 the leaders of the opposition who are at
 war among themselves, and who, with the
 exception of Sir Charles himself, possess
 no one capable of leading the party—
 hardly even of administering a depart-
 ment. The Wallaces and Montagues and
 Haggards and Carons will hardly commend
 themselves to the country as fitting suc-
 cessors to men like Cartwright and Pat-
 erison and Laurier and Davies. It was
 only by the most strenuous efforts that Sir
 Charles was able to exercise his authority
 as leader and whip the aspiring and inca-
 pable members of his party into line, and
 were he to retire there is not only not
 a competent successor to him in the house
 but not one in sight in the country. The
 old tinkerings and jealousies which dis-
 graced the party during McKenzie Bowell's
 regime would again break out, and the
 country would once more be amused or
 disgusted with the spectacle of small men
 of mean intellects struggling for positions,
 the duties of which they would be inca-
 pable of discharging.

Nor will the memory of scandals which
 existed under the Conservative adminis-
 trations, and which made Canadian polit-
 ical morality a by-word throughout the
 Empire, soon pass away in the Dominion
 and while it still lives there is little
 chance of men who had a direct connec-
 tion with those abuses being given the
 opportunity of again starting and disgrac-
 ing the country with their methods.

The speech of the opposition leader last
 night was largely historical, and the ser-
 vices of the Conservative party to the
 country were magnified, but an impartial
 observer would, we think, be disposed to
 question very seriously the benefit of many
 of the services in which Sir Charles glori-
 es most. Whatever great things the
 Conservative party may have done for
 the country in the past, however, it is in
 the present we are living, and if that party
 has degenerated into a corrupt and disor-
 ganized political body, it cannot surely ap-
 peal for confidence on its historical record.
 It will have to purify itself from the foul-
 ness which it acquired during the last few
 years of its official career; get rid of the
 bad elements with which it is afflicted,
 and infuse new blood into its body before
 it can hope to obtain the respect and sup-
 port of the people of Canada.

PARTY POLITICS IN THE PROVINCE.

Mr. Charles Wilson, of Vancouver, the
 recognized leader of the lately organized
 Conservative party of the province, told
 his audience on Thursday evening that
 it was the intention of himself and his fol-
 lowers to conduct the elections in British
 Columbia on strictly party lines from this
 time forward. He stated that this deter-
 mination had been arrived at at the con-
 vention held in New Westminster, and the
 motive which had induced it was the con-
 servation of the interests of the party. Mr.
 Wilson did not say whether Conservative
 feeling was to be worked up in this
 province for the purpose of aiding the
 Opposition to obtain office, but it is pre-
 sumed that this was one of the main
 reasons for the decision reached by the
 convention. In any case the conclusion
 arrived at will hardly commend itself to
 the good sense of the people of the
 province. The people here will scarcely
 regard with approval the attempt of a few
 ardent politicians who received their party
 schooling in the east, to obtain control of
 the affairs of British Columbia, for the
 purpose, not of managing them for the
 benefit of the people, but of overthrowing
 the Dominion administration, with which
 they have no quarrel, and of bringing in
 a government which, from past experience,
 they have every reason to dread. If they
 imagine that the people of this province
 can be induced to cultivate an ardent
 party feeling in regard to local affairs they
 are equally in error. The people here are
 too much occupied with the development
 of the country and the proper manage-
 ment of the great estate which they pos-
 sess to care whether the men who are in
 charge of their public affairs are Liberals
 or Conservatives. What they require is
 men of good business capacity, thorough
 honesty and knowledge of the needs of the
 country. With an administration composed
 of men of this stamp the country would
 progress as it has not progressed in the
 past. The introduction of party politics
 is certain to bring in its train the appoint-
 ment of partisan and, therefore, usually
 incompetent officials, and the thousand
 and one abuses which exist in the older
 provinces of the federation. It is a luxury,
 which at present the people here cannot
 stand and do not want, and it is a ques-
 tion if they will not resent the assurance
 of a handful of self-appointed delegates to
 foist this system upon them.

THE MIDWINTER CARNIVAL.

Preliminary steps were taken last evening
 for holding Rossland's third winter
 carnival. This was in the form of the ap-
 pointment of a large committee, which is
 to have general charge of the arrangements.
 This is a proper step, and the committee
 so formed should at once put itself in
 shape to do some creditable and effective
 work, and should give a carnival that will
 even surpass the very excellent ones of the
 past two years. The expenses need not be
 as great as they have been, as there are
 a number of trophies which have to be

won several times, and therefore they
 will not have to be purchased, and as the
 carnival has some assets on hand. The
 carnival of last year attracted considerable
 attention, and was attended by people
 from many of the camps in the Kootenays.
 This year the attendance should be larger,
 for the reason that the Boundary Creek
 people can now come here by rail. Besi-
 des, there should be quite a delegation
 from East Kootenay, which has increased
 considerably in population since the rail-
 way was finished last winter. Spokane sent
 a large delegation last year, and the visi-
 tors were so much pleased with the sports
 that a larger contingent will come this
 year.

Rossland is peculiarly fitted for the
 giving of liberal sports. There are steep
 mountain sides for the racing, rolling
 ground for snowshoe races and long slopes
 for coasting. Besides, we have the largest
 skating rink in the province for skating
 and curling.

With the experience of the two previous
 years to profit by, the committee which
 was selected last evening should be able
 to give a carnival which should be better
 than the previous ones. At that is neces-
 sary in order to do this is to give a part
 of their spare time to the business in hand
 for the next six weeks, and work energet-
 ically and earnestly, and the annual ice
 festival will reflect credit on them and the
 city of Rossland.

UNPATRIOTIC CONDUCT.

Capital is said to be timid, and the
 charge is now made against it that it is
 unpatriotic. The chartered banks of Can-
 ada mainly rely on the people of this
 country for support, and they are given
 it. There are times when they are able
 to get a little higher rate of interest than
 they can secure at home by loaning their
 money outside of the country. If the
 sums so loaned are large they help in a
 time like the present, to make money
 scarcer, and therefore tighter than it or-
 dinarily would be. The result is consid-
 erable of a loss to the people through the
 shrinkage of values caused by an unnat-
 ural tightness of money. This is unfair to
 the people of the Dominion, who have by
 legislation and otherwise, endeavored to
 build up financial institutions which
 should prove a tower of strength on oc-
 casions like the present. All will remem-
 ber how well the banks served the people
 of Canada during the trying financial times
 of 1893, when the American banks were
 going to the wall by the score each week.
 They should prove themselves equally as
 efficient during the present financial hour
 of distress. If they, however, by their
 action of loaning money in a neighboring
 country, produce a stringency at home,
 which should not exist and which is hurt-
 ful to the best interests of the country,
 they are doing something which they
 should not be permitted to do. It may
 be that the money was sent abroad un-
 wittingly, and that those who sent it did
 not apprehend the bad effects such a
 course would have. If, however, it was
 done with a knowledge of the result, the
 banks are to be severely censured for their
 conduct, for it is not only unpatriotic, but
 savors of ingratitude. The practice of
 loaning money in neighboring countries
 during times like the present should be
 stopped, and if the chartered banks do
 not cease it through a sense of the duty
 they owe the people of the Dominion,
 legislative enactment prohibiting the prac-
 tice, which could be framed so that it
 could be put into effect by an order-in-
 council, should be framed and passed.

THE DEPARTMENTAL STORES WIN.

The departmental store has evidently
 come to remain as a part and parcel of
 modern institutions. It is true that these
 big stores crowd out of existence smaller
 establishments, but it is claimed, that such
 stores can and do sell the products
 which they can handle cheaper than can
 stores devoted to selling a single class of
 goods. The local legislators of Chicago
 some time since, attempted to interfere
 with the business of departmental stores,
 and have failed. The city council passed
 two ordinances leveled against these
 large emporiums. One was that certain
 kinds of provisions and vegetables should
 not be sold or exposed for vending in a
 structure by a firm or corporation where
 dry goods, clothing, etc., were sold. The
 other ordinance prohibited the sale of
 malt or fermented liquors in such stores.
 The supreme court of Illinois has just de-
 clared both these laws invalid. Thus an
 attempt to interfere with the departmen-
 tal store has failed.

WHEN THE WAR IS OVER.

Mr. J. H. Robinson, the head and chief
 owner of the Robinson group of mines,
 which are among the richest and most
 profitable of the Witwatersrand mines, re-
 cently made a speech at the meeting of
 the Robinson South African Banking com-
 pany in London, which has attracted much
 attention, says the Engineering and Mining
 Journal. He made some predictions as
 to the war, which do not seem to be jus-
 tified by the course of events just now, but
 his belief as to the results of the conflict
 seem to deserve some attention. Mr.
 Robinson, while not active in politics, has
 been on better terms with the governing
 element in the Transvaal than any other
 prominent Englishman, and is an intimate
 personal friend of President Kruger. He

believes that when the war has been
 fought out to a conclusion, there will be
 far less difficulty in adjusting matters than
 is generally expected, and that the Boers
 and Outlanders will soon be able to live
 and work peacefully together. He thinks
 that this condition will be largely brought
 about and enforced by the pressure of the
 native element, and the necessity which
 the white men in South Africa must al-
 ways feel in keeping the black men—who
 are so largely in the majority—in sub-
 jection.

Mr. Robinson also predicts an active
 future for the mining industry and a con-
 siderable reduction in working costs if
 British supremacy be established. This re-
 duction will considerably extend the area
 and the number of mines which can pro-
 fitably be worked. His views are certain-
 ly entitled to consideration.

THE SPIRIT OF CHIVALRY.

The great Cervantes in his wonderful
 book "Don Quixote," did not kill chivalry,
 although he dealt it some sturdy and stun-
 ning blows. It still has its exponents, and
 such writers as Anthony Hope may be
 able to restore it to the proud place which
 it had before Cervantes and his followers
 began their crusade of ridicule against it.
 Nearly all have an admiration for the
 chivalrous man, and admire the historical
 exploits of it, like Sydney Smith and Sir
 Walter Raleigh, the former for giving the
 dying soldier the water which he needed
 him of, and the latter for spreading his
 cloak in the mud so that Queen Elizabeth
 might walk over it without wetting her
 royal feet.

A modern exponent of ancient chivalry
 is Captain O'Neill Murphy, who has just
 fought a duel with a French editor because
 of insults offered to Queen Victoria. Some
 of the French papers, since the war in
 South Africa commenced, have given vent
 to vile utterances regarding the Queen,
 and have printed disreputable caricatures
 of her. One of the most mendacious and
 nasty of these miserable sheets is La Car-
 icature. Captain Murphy first called M.
 Marcel, the editor of this paper, a dog
 and a coward, and after considerable per-
 suasion, induced him to fight a duel. The
 result was that they met near the German
 frontier, and the editor now lies in a pre-
 carious condition in Switzerland, while the
 Irishman is out skating on the Bois. Mur-
 phy says he thought of the woman more
 than of the Queen, but declares he is
 ready to call out the next man who insults
 the Queen. The Prince of Wales has
 thanked him for so chivalrously defend-
 ing his mother, and Mr. Chamberlain has
 sent a kind word of acknowledgment because
 punishment has been inflicted on behalf of
 Her Majesty. Thus the spirit of chivalry
 still lives and has its exponents, and we
 admire it and them as much now as ever
 mankind has at any time in history.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Today the provincial legislature will re-
 assemble, and for the first week or two
 of the session the interest of the public
 will chiefly be centered on the question
 whether the government will be able to
 maintain its existence. With two of a ma-
 jority, with which it will meet the house,
 the cabinet will have no easy path to tread
 and any serious mistake on its part is
 bound to occasion a defeat. The supporters
 of the government are not bound to it by
 party allegiance, nor is there any strong
 community of sentiment uniting them.
 Many of them certainly are quite honest
 in their belief that the government, as it
 exists, is the best which could be chosen
 out of the present house, and probably out
 of a succeeding assembly in case of an ap-
 peal to the people, and they are probably
 right in taking this view of the case. Other
 members of the ministerialists are kept in line
 by the wholesome dread—a dread which
 possesses not a few on the opposition
 benches—that with a dissolution their polit-
 ical lives would cease and determine for
 either of these reasons, or for both, the
 government is unlikely to lose any of the
 supporters it has at present, and Mr. Cot-
 ton can be relied on to steer a very safe
 course, which will give the opposition lit-
 tle real ground for criticism, and the pub-
 lic few, if any, reasons for complaint.

THE CAMP IS GROWING.

A glance at the figures of the mining re-
 view for the year shows how fast the camp
 is advancing. The total output was 1183,
 670 tons, against 116,697 tons for the year
 1898, or an increase of 66,973 tons over the
 year 1898. This product is valued at \$3,
 306,060, against a valuation of \$2,804,768
 for 1898. The increase in the value of the
 output, therefore, for 1899 over 1898, was
 \$501,302. This is not a bad showing for
 the mines of the camp. The increase is
 very substantial and from the manner in
 which mining matters are shaping them-
 selves, the output during the present year
 over the past one should be very largely
 increased; in fact, it looks as though the
 augmentation in the output would be
 larger than it was in the past year. This
 is because several properties, which have
 been under development for from four
 years down to a year, have now reached
 such a stage that they must soon of neces-
 sity begin to market their ores. The Jumbo
 is a case in point. It has been under
 development since 1895, and has now been
 opened up to the 400-foot level. It
 could ship today if it was deemed advis-
 able to do so by the management. It is
 promised by the officers of the Jumbo com-
 pany that shipments will be made in the
 spring. The Columbia & Kootenay, the
 West Le Roi and others of the British
 America corporation group, should soon
 commence to take out their ore for treat-
 ment. Then there is the Evening Star,
 the X. L., to say nothing of the others
 which are almost certain soon to swell the
 tonnage of the camp. The ore from these,
 when added to the increase which is cer-
 tain to come from the mines which are al-
 ready producing large quantities of ore,
 should make the output large in the
 immediate future. During the past year
 there were times when the output in a
 week reached something over 6,000 tons,
 and the prediction, we believe, is a safe
 one, that there will be periods during the
 present year when 10,000 tons will be pro-
 duced in seven days.

MANY PROBABLE SHIPPERS.

A glance at the list of probable shippers
 during the present year, and in this is
 only included such mines as could ship to-
 day if the management deemed it expedi-
 ent for them to do so, reveals that there
 are a number of them. On this list may
 be included the Columbia-Kootenay, the
 No. 1, the Josie, the Evening Star, the
 X. L., which so far has only shipped
 some ore as has been taken out in the

course of the development work), the
 Giant and the Jumbo. Should the rail-
 road be constructed to Sophie Mountain
 the Velvet, the Douglas, the Victory,
 Triumph, and probably the Ruth Esther,
 would each furnish a quota of ore. In
 the northern portion of the district on
 Murphy creek is the weather Bell, and
 on this property there has been uncovered
 a 10-foot vein of ore which, it is claimed,
 will pay from the grassroots, and it pro-
 mises to be one of the best mines in the di-
 vision. In the Pend d'Oreille section of
 the Trail Creek division is the Hill
 mine, which has large quantities of ore
 on its dumps ready for shipment. This
 mine a mill is now being erected. It
 will be ready for operation in the
 month of March.

From the foregoing it will be seen that
 there are 13 mines in the Trail Creek divi-
 sion that are almost certain to become
 producers of ore during the next few
 months. With these additions to those
 that are already taking out ore the out-
 look for a large output is exceedingly
 bright.

Then there is always the chance that
 ore shoots will be found in some of the
 many properties that are now being de-
 veloped, such as the New St. Elmo, the
 California, the Gertrude, the Mascot,
 the White Bear, the Sunset No. 2,
 and many others. The larger mines, too,
 are all arranging their plants, etc., for
 an increased output.

Under the circumstances the outlook for
 the camp for the year that is now begin-
 ning is considerably brighter than it was
 at the commencement of 1899.

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 briefly discussed by M. H. Gourney, in a
 recent issue of L'Economiste Francais, as
 to what becomes of all this gold, says the
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 world used it up and still fails to have
 enough? The answer given is by no
 means complete, but the writer notes that
 the arts and industries probably absorb
 about \$200,000,000 worth of the metal
 every year. Another twenty-five to fifty
 million sterling, he thinks, goes into the
 coinage of the various gold-issuing States,
 but all this is not new gold, because
 greater or less amounts of old coin are
 every year remitted. If we take a mean,
 therefore, of about \$40,000,000 a year as
 the amount of new gold made into coins,
 including the consumption in the arts, we
 seem to have about \$5,000,000 used up in
 excess of the output. Whether that be
 so or not—and we must not forget the
 prodigious efforts of Russia to establish a
 gold currency—it is certain that the world
 has not yet given any indication of hav-
 ing too much gold. Many states still re-
 main unprovided with the metal, and not
 least the markets of great countries like
 England, France, Germany, Russia, Aus-
 tria, and, last but far from least, the
 United States. At all great monetary
 centres the cry at present is for more
 gold to enable credit to work without
 friction, and to prevent rates of interest
 on loanable capital from rising to a
 height that would produce disaster.

MINING RECORDER'S RETURN.

Decrease From Last Year—Working
 Miners No Longer Require Certificates.

Mr. John Kirkup, mining recorder for
 the Trail Creek district, has made a
 tabulated return of the work of his office
 for the past year. There has been a de-
 crease in all the figures from the previous
 year. This is naturally looked for, as the
 district has been located from end to end,
 and moreover prospectors are very much
 careful in picking up and locating claims
 than they were in the early days when
 ground was taken up with little or no in-
 spection, the prospector being anxious to
 stake his ground and sell out to some of
 the many easterners who were then
 flocking in here ready to buy almost any
 kind of claim. Many of the claims stak-
 ed almost at once, on others the assess-
 ment work was done for a year or so and
 then given up. In addition very many
 properties in the district have been crown
 granted and the revenue for assessment
 work on them is no longer available. The
 certificates of all free miners will expire
 on the 31st of May next and certificates
 issued during the year are only charged
 for up to that date and not for the full
 year as formerly, so that for the present
 the amount from this source will decrease
 until the date mentioned is reached when
 they all become due and will be paid in
 on the one day. The details of the work
 done in the Rossland office for the year
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From Last Year—Working No Longer Require Certificates.

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Mineral claims located	617
Locations	8
Deeds of work	788
Deeds of money paid in lieu	113
Deeds of improvement	113
Deeds of sale, transfers, etc.	309
Documents	25
Grants	6
Certificates (personal)	1997
Certificates (companies)	92
Certificates (special)	51

It is alleged that when working were no longer obliged by law to have a miner's certificate it would not be such a difference in the assessment as were all more or less interested in the great majority of them in any case take out certificates to protect their interests.

The recorder shows that the assessment as the miners' certificates issued during the year are fully accounted for by the operation of the new law in this respect. \$120,000 will represent the amount for assessment work and paid office in lieu of work.

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ROSSLAND'S WINTER CARNIVAL

IT WILL BE HELD EARLY NEXT MONTH—GOOD PROGRAM.

Large and Enthusiastic Meeting in the City Hall Last Night—Officers and Committees Selected—Details Arranged.

There was a large and animated meeting of the Roseland Winter Carnival committee at the city hall last evening. Among those present were Mayor Goodeve, Aldermen C. O. Lalonde and John F. McCrae, Richard Plewman, J. W. Spring, John McKane, A. B. Mackenzie, D. E. Kerr, R. Marsh, H. F. Mytton, F. W. Rolt, N. F. Townsend, R. E. Palmer, M. Shea, Harry Mackintosh, W. L. Orde, Dan Thomas, James Hunter, H. W. C. Jackson, John Y. Cole, Hector McRae, O. Jeldness, H. H. Smith, Thomas Corson, Cap. Shaw, J. W. Astley, A. B. Clabon and W. I. Redden.

Mr. Alderman Lalonde was requested to take the chair, and the meeting got to order a little after 8 o'clock. The first order of business was the selection of officers for the year, which resulted as follows: President, Mayor A. S. Goodeve; vice-president, Mr. C. O. Lalonde; treasurer, A. B. Mackenzie; secretary, Mr. H. W. C. Jackson.

The select committees for the carnival were then appointed as follows: Finance Committee.—Dan Thomas, (chairman), A. B. Mackenzie, Ross Thompson, J. Fred Ritchie, E. Duthie and Hector McRae. This committee will meet at the Kootenay hotel tomorrow (Friday) at 10 o'clock a. m.

Committee on Program of Sports.—A. B. Mackenzie, (chairman), S. W. Hall, A. C. Garde, Lee Coombs, J. W. Astley, R. L. Lyons, A. B. Clabon, John McKane, R. E. Palmer, H. H. Smith, E. W. Ward, L. B. Geveber, M. Shea, Thomas Corson, Dan Thomas and Harry Mackintosh. The committee will meet this evening in Mr. Mackenzie's office at 5:30.

Printing and Advertising.—Hector McRae and J. W. Spring.

Committee on Prize Selecting.—John M. Smith, R. Dalby Morkill, Jr., D. E. Kerr, N. F. Townsend and Hector McRae.

A reception committee will be the mayor and city council for the year, with power to add to their number.

As there seemed to be some doubt as to the terms on which some of the cups previously donated were held, the whole question was referred to a committee, composed of John M. Smith, H. F. Mytton and A. B. Mackenzie, who will settle the matter finally, and the terms put on record.

A good deal of discussion took place as to the dates on which the carnival should be held. The curling bonspiel will occupy two days in the week immediately preceding the carnival days, and it was finally decided to leave the exact dates to the committee on the program of sports, which meets this evening in Mr. Mackenzie's office.

If the weather proves favorable and the citizens generally take up the carnival, it will prove a still greater success than last year. The first or second week in February will probably be decided on today as the date. It was the general feeling of the meeting that every effort should be made this year to promote and encourage good amateur sport in connection with the carnival.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Regular Monthly Meeting Last Evening—Adjournment Until the 12th.

The regular monthly meeting of the Roseland board of trade was held last evening in the city hall after the proceedings of the carnival committee were concluded. There were only a few members of the board present, and not much business was transacted.

Mr. Charles Parker, owing to his absence from Roseland, wrote the secretary, tendering his resignation, which was accepted. In order to avoid making a precedent, the annual fees in Mr. Parker's case will not be remitted. An invitation to send delegates to the fourth congress of chambers of commerce of the empire, to be held in London, Eng., in June next, was accepted, and the delegates to be named later.

A special committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. F. W. Rolt, John McKane, A. B. Clabon, A. B. Mackenzie, H. F. Mytton, R. Dalby Morkill, Jr., and C. O. Lalonde, to take action regarding pending legislation at Victoria and Ottawa. This committee will meet at Mr. Rolt's office on Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Mr. Richard Marsh proposed a resolution, asking the minister of mines to appoint an assay examiner in Roseland, so that candidates desiring to obtain a provincial certificate need not be obliged to go to the coast in order to pass the necessary examination. The meeting unanimously approved and passed the resolution.

The question of obtaining proper officers for the board was referred to the committee on pending legislation.

The advertisement in the B. C. Mining Review will be re-written.

The meeting decided to refer the question of getting out an annual statement, including a review of the mines, etc., to the committee already named.

The meeting adjourned until Friday, the 12th inst., at 8:30 p. m., when the report of the legislation committee will be taken up.

FROM BALFOUR TO NELSON.

Mr. W. Tye, engineer in charge of construction on the Canadian Pacific railway, has called for bids for the construction of a railway line between Nelson and Balfour. The tenders should be in by the end of the present week. Mr. J. D. Sullivan of Trail, Mr. J. W. Stewart of Trail, and Mr. H. H. Boomer of Spokane, railroad contractors, are in Nelson for the purpose of putting in bids for the work. The proposed railway will fill up a gap in the Crown's West line between the foot of Kootenay lake and Nelson, a distance of about 50 miles.

THE NEW SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

He Arrived Last Evening and Will Take Charge on Monday.

Mr. J. D. MacLean, the new principal of the Roseland public schools, arrived in the city last evening and will take charge on Monday next, succeeding Professor Butcher, resigned. Mr. MacLean comes from Mission, B. C., where he has been principal of the schools for the past four years. Before that he taught at Mount Lehman, B. C., for two years. This is the limit of his experience in British Columbia, but he was several years a teacher before he came to the province, in Prince Edward Island. He holds a first class certificate, and brings with him good recommendations from Mission. He is a young man of pleasing manners and address, and these and his well known educational abilities should make for him a successful career in this city.

The public schools will reopen on Wednesday, and Inspector Burns will remain long enough to assist Mr. MacLean, and to see that they are in good order before he departs. He says the schools here are growing so important that they will demand more of his attention in the future.

HOCKEY GAMES.

A Schedule of Games Has Been Drawn Up.

The schedule of games for the British Columbia Hockey League has been drawn up and submitted to the executive officers for their approval. The schedule provides for games as follows:

- January 8.—Rossland vs. Rossland Victorias, at Rossland; Nelson vs. Nelson lacrosse-hockey, at Nelson.
- January 10.—Victorias vs. Nelson vs. Boundary, at Greenwood.
- January 20.—Victorias vs. Boundary, at Rossland; Rossland vs. Lacrosse-hockey, at Nelson.
- January 27.—Victorias vs. Nelson, at Greenwood; Lacrosse-hockey vs. Boundary, at Greenwood.
- February 3.—Rossland vs. Boundary, at Rossland; Nelson vs. Lacrosse-hockey, at Nelson.
- February 10.—Rossland vs. Lacrosse-hockey, at Rossland; Nelson vs. Boundary, at Nelson.
- February 17.—Rossland vs. Nelson, at Rossland; Victorias vs. Lacrosse-hockey, at Nelson.
- February 24.—Rossland vs. Boundary, at Greenwood; Victorias vs. Nelson, at Rossland.
- March 3.—Victorias vs. Rossland, at Rossland; Lacrosse-hockey vs. Boundary, at Nelson.
- March 10.—Rossland vs. Nelson, at Nelson; Victorias vs. Boundary, at Greenwood.

POLICE REPORT.

Annual Statement for 1899 Shows That \$8,660 Was Collected in Fines.

Chief Ingram has prepared his official report for the year. The figures show that 530 arrests were made during 1899, and that the receipts for the year amounted to \$8,660. The details of the report are given hereunder:

The description of the charges and the number of arrests are as follows: Assault, 16; assault and battery, 10; affray on the street one, 1; carrying firearms, 5; drunk and incapable, 80; drunk and disorderly, 108; damage to property, 7; frequenting bawdy houses, 5; keeping bawdy houses, 80; inhabiting bawdy houses, 81; gaming, 43; disorderly, 8; obtaining valuables, 1; theft, 3; threatening, 3; using abusive language, 1; violating city bylaws, 4; vagrancy, 37; embezzlement, 2; immoderate driving, 1; loitering, 6; leaving horse unattended, 1; creating a disturbance on the street, 2; unlawfully in a dwelling, 1; resisting an officer, 2; robbery, 4; using insulting language, 2; injury to a dog, 1; receiving money for corrupt purposes, 1; doing bodily harm, 1; cheating in a game, 1; receiving bribes, 1; larceny, 8; masquerading in male attire, 1; forgery, 1.

The arrests by months are as follows: January, 29; February, 21; March, 62; April, 41; May, 57; June, 45; July, 21; August, 27; September, 26; October, 26; November, 98; December, 67. Total for year 530.

The receipts by months show: January, \$142.25; February, \$258; March, \$1,242.75; April, \$553; May, \$724; June, \$438; July, \$378; August, \$192; September, \$134; October, \$95; November, \$1,835; December, \$668. Making a total for the year of \$8,660, or an average of \$555 per month.

The following disposition was made of the cases: Fined and paid, 335; served time in city, 35; served time in Nelson, 17; committed for trial, 3; dismissed, 108; released on suspended sentence, 27; bound over, 5; withdrawn, 3.

ACCIDENT TO A MINER.

While Working in a Shaft He Was Struck by a Rock.

News reached this city from the Referendum mine near Nelson to the effect that an accident occurred there ten days since which nearly cost John Brown, a miner, his life. He was working in the bottom of the 80-foot shaft when a piece of rock became loosened from the side of the shaft near the top and struck him on the head. The force of the blow was so great that Mr. Brown was stunned and his head severely cut and bruised. He was taken to the surface and has remained in his bed ever since but is now recovering and will be able to resume work in a day or two.

TRANSPORTS WILL SAIL.

Order and Dates on Which the Troops Will Go to Africa.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—According to a military order, the transports with the second contingent will sail with troops in the following order: Montezuma, with the first battalion of Mounted Rifles and one field battery; Laurentian, with two field batteries and one brigade of the division staff; Pomeranian, with the balance of the contingent. The two former will like sail on January 18th and the latter on January 20th. Definite dates will be announced later.

Dr. James Devine, of the Ninetieth regiment, Winnipeg, has been appointed medical officer of the western battalion; second contingent.

Mr. George B. McAulay of the Evening Star Mining company, is in the city for the purpose of looking after the operations on the property of the company.



The Story of a Baby.

The physicians at the Hanemann Hospital of Philadelphia said Baby Moncrieff could not live.

It was against all the laws of nature and of medicine for this eight-month baby to survive a nervous disease of the spine.

The family doctor agreed with those at the hospital.

The mother watched the child as it slept upon the pillow, the faintest flutter of breath telling her that life still lingered.

An aunt who loved her like a mother said "We will try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They are prescribed for nervous disorders, perhaps they will help our Ettie." A pill was divided in three parts and given to the baby.

Instead of dying, as the doctors predicted, she lived. Then she opened her eyes and smiled at those around her.

She gathered strength through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as a flower gathers strength in the mist of the morning.

To-day she is seven years old, the sunshine of the aunt who saved her life with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

This is a true story. The child is Ettie Moncrieff, daughter of Mrs. Helen Moncrieff, formerly of Hamilton, Ontario. The Aunt is Mrs. M. G. Meek, who now resides with the child at 1317 South 10th Street, Philadelphia. The facts are fully verified by affidavits.

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS CURE WHEN OTHER MEDICINES FAIL.



FIGHTING ABOUT COLESBERG.

General Buller Continues His Night Bombardments.

London, Jan. 3.—The war office this afternoon issued a dispatch received from General Buller under yesterday's date, saying his position was the same as on the previous day, that with small reinforcements he could dislodge the Boers from Colesberg and in the meantime, he continued manœuvring.

General Buller continues his night bombardments and patrol surprises. As the Tugela river is again fordable and the stretcher bearers have again been requisitioned at Durban and Pietermaritzburg, there is a disposition to believe that the British advance will not be long delayed. It is reported at Durban that the captured German steamer Bundesrath had on board five big guns, 50 tons of shells and 180 trained artillerymen.

Nothing further has been heard from Molteno, which was reported from Sterkstroom to have been attacked by the Boers this morning. So far as known here, there is only a small force there. A dispatch from Sterkstroom announces that Swanevel, the Boer commander at Stroomberg, has died of his wounds.

A special dispatch from Renaberg, dated Tuesday, January 2nd, says a supply train without a locomotive, was set in motion within the British lines near Colesberg and proceeded so near the Boer position that it was impossible to recover it and the British guns, therefore, destroyed the trucks. It is supposed that this was the act of a traitor. The total British casualties about Colesberg in two days were six men killed and 20 wounded.

The supply train, says another dispatch from Renaberg, ran into a broken culvert and was wrecked. The Boers began looting it and another Renaberg train was dispatched to the spot in an attempt to recover the provisions. The Boers opened fire on the troops and natives accompanying it, forcing the second train to retreat after several natives had been killed.

SEIZURE OF THE BUNDESRATH.

It Is Being Worked to Create Sentiment in Favor of a Naval Increase.

Berlin, Jan. 3.—The Berlin foreign office informed the correspondent of the Associated Press this afternoon that Great Britain had not yet answered Germany's note regarding the seizure by the British cruiser Magicienne of the German Imperial mail steamer Bundesrath off Delagoa Bay. The correspondent of the Associated Press has received information going to show that the Bundesrath was possibly guilty of carrying contraband. Heavy shipments of arms and ammunition were made in December to Macao and Hong Kong, consigned to order. It is surmised that their ultimate destination was either the Philippines or the Transvaal. In any event, the Bundesrath incident is being worked to create sentiment in favor of the naval increase, and the passage of the navy bill is now considered as sure, in spite of the strong opposition.

Mr. August Isle, contractor of Spokane, is in the city and makes his headquarters at the Windsor.

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The Transvaal war as was naturally expected, has had the effect of lowering quotations, not only of South African mines, but also in this province, and the western states generally.

All our shipping mines and dividend payers have shown the stress of the serious troubles the empire is now passing through, and the stocks of the War Eagle, Le Roi, Iron Mask, Old Ironsides and other big mines in this section have had a serious slump in consequence.

A few British victories, however will speedily stay the downward tendency of mining stocks, and very little time will be needed to regain the former prices, and in every probability exceed them.

Therefore the present is the time to invest in good mining stocks with a certainty of speedy profits.

Never were the mines in this district in such a promising condition, particularly those in the early stages of development, and there are several such close to this city.

The low prices of these stocks offer a splendid opportunity of making money quickly as there is a full and complete assurance in the present stage of development that these properties will in a very short time be classed among the big shippers of Rossland.

The Bornite Bank at 5c is, in our opinion, one of the best buys offered today. The shaft, at a depth of 32 feet, is all in ore; splendid looking grey copper has come in during the last five feet. This is being piled on the dump for shipment.

We trust that our readers will not neglect such a rare opportunity of doubling their investment without risk.

Salvation Army Success.

London, Jan. 3.—General Booth's report on the work of the "Darkest England" scheme during the 12 months just closed contains some surprising figures which show that the Salvation Army's plan for self-supporting institutions for the relief of the submerged tenth is meeting with a larger measure of success than any of the best organized charities of the British metropolis. The report is interesting alike for the "living facts" and

the work accomplished at the Army's farm colony in Essex, which is now well established. General Booth adds that if the revenues of the year 1900 exceed the expenses the surplus is to be used in establishing a large self-supporting colony, probably in Australia, similar to the smaller colonies established by the Salvation Army in Colorado and elsewhere in the United States.

coast last evening, where he had been on legal business.

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THE NEXT DOMINION ELECTION

SIR CHARLES DECLARES IT WILL BE 1878 OVER AGAIN.

Federal Party Lines in Provincial Politics a Necessity, Not a Choice—The Result in Manitoba.

A representative of the Miner was among the many visitors who paid their respects to the veteran Conservative leader at the Hotel Allan yesterday. Sir Charles said he would go to Nelson today, and on over the Crow's Nest line, visiting and speaking at many points in the territories before returning to Ottawa in time for the approaching session. "I have been traveling ever since the middle of September," said the chieftain, "and have traversed the important parts of Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, the Territories and this province. The meeting this evening will be the fiftieth that I have addressed on this long trip."

Asked as to the present outlook in federal politics, Sir Charles said: "I do not think the government will venture to make an appeal to the country until they are obliged to, and I do not look for a general election until the full term for which the present parliament was elected has been concluded. The Conservative party throughout the Dominion is now united and organized. We have unquestionably with us also the better class of Liberals who have become dissatisfied with the Laurier administration, and who will be found fighting with us shoulder to shoulder in the next elections. It will be 1878 all over again. I say that advisedly after meeting the people all over the country—people of all classes and political leanings, including the great growing class of independent electors, who decline to follow any party blindly, and to whom the Conservative party can confidently appeal for support. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's administration has succeeded admirably in alienating many of their most pronounced supporters, who remember very well the promises that were made when the Liberals were in opposition and the policy of the same party once they assumed the reins of power.

"Any cabinet which contains such men as J. Israel Tarte, Clifford Sifton and Hon. Mr. Blair, cannot retain the confidence of the country for any length of time. The Liberals have never beaten us, and only obtained power through the internal dissensions which arose in the great Conservative party. United as we now are, the result is not in doubt, and as I said a moment ago, it will be '78 over again.

"The recent elections in Manitoba is only the beginning of the end, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his cabinet realize it. The Conservative part there had to meet and contend against the Dominion government led by Mr. Sifton, and the local government led by Mr. Greenway, who united the forces of those two governments and parties in a solid phalanx, and the Conservatives, led by Hon. Hugh

MANSION HOUSE FUND.

Public Meeting to Be Called for Some Day Next Week—Various Proposals.

A very well attended meeting of ladies and gentlemen was held in the City omces yesterday afternoon to make arrangements for raising a sum of money from the camp for the Mansion House fund in aid of those left behind by Tommy Atkins, "The Absent Minded Beggar," who has gone to fight his country's battles.

Various means were suggested to start the ball rolling—a smoking concert or cafe chantant, in which the ladies graciously expressed their willingness to assist; a dance, an ordinary concert, public subscription lists through the medium of the press, and other plans were discussed. The generally accepted opinion expressed was that everyone in the camp should be given a good opportunity of subscribing in some way or other to the fund, and that if this was done properly a handsome sum could be obtained for the fund.

It was finally decided to ask His Worship the Mayor to call a public meeting some day next week when the whole question could be taken up, committees appointed and arrangements generally completed. In the meantime those who were present at the meeting yesterday will arrange a scheme to bring before the public meeting next week, when it can be improved or added to as the meeting sees fit.

It is generally the case here that the support of such matters falls upon a few and that in this instance the fund should come from the camp as a whole. The miners, for instance, if the affair was properly put before them, would probably join in the movement and ensure its success. No doubt when the matter is brought up next week some well thought out plan will be submitted, which will enable everyone to take a hand in.

Left for Nelson.

Sir Charles Tupper and party left for Nelson by the early C. P. R. train yesterday morning. Before leaving Sir Charles expressed himself as greatly pleased with the meeting held here and with his visit to Rossland generally. A mass meeting was held in Nelson last evening at the opera house.

A Chimney Fire.

An alarm of fire at 10:30 summoned the fire department to the Butte hotel on the south side of Columbia avenue west of Spokane street. The fire proved to be a burning chimney, which was extinguished without the aid of the fire apparatus.

Teachers' Convention.

At the last annual convention of the Kootenay Teachers' association it was resolved that the meeting for 1900 should be held in Rossland, early in January. Owing to unavoidable circumstances the committee find it impossible to arrange this meeting and have with the consent of the education department, postponed it until April, when it is intended to hold it in Rossland at the same time as the District

ROSSLAND WILL CELEBRATE

WINTER CARNIVAL COMMITTEE CALLED FOR NEXT WEEK.

Annual Winter Sports in February—Large Attendance Counted On—Bonspiel to Be Held Here.

In pursuance to a call by His Worship the Mayor a meeting was held in the city hall last evening for the purpose of arranging for the usual winter carnival. The attendance was not very large, but a great deal of enthusiasm was manifested. It was decided to hold the carnival at a date to be decided on later by the following general committee: Mayor Goodeve, Alderman Lalonde, J. S. C. Fraser, A. B. Mackenzie, H. W. C. Jackson, Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, J. Fred Ritchie, Ross Thompson, Hon. T. Mayne Daly, O. Jeldness, Ald. J. F. McCrae, John McKane, Dan Thomas, J. S. Clute, jr., A. B. Clabon, T. Hartman, W. H. Jones, J. B. Johnson, Hector McRae, J. M. Martin, G. McBride, C. R. Hamilton, Keith Lakey, J. Spellman, A. Lorne Becher, J. M. Smith, J. M. Hayden, Bert Collins, Thomas Shipley, N. F. Townsend, C. A. Cregan, J. L. G. Abbott, H. F. Mytton, W. T. Oliver, A. B. Baker P. M. Allan, E. W. Ward, C. F. Jackson, R. Plewman, H. S. Wallace, Samson W. Hall, J. B. Hastings, Nicholas Tregear, Bernard McDonald, R. E. Palmer, H. H. Smith, T. S. Gilmour, R. Dalby Morkill, jr., C. Ross, E. B. Kirby, E. V. Jenkins, E. W. Morgan, W. S. Rugh, W. H. Falding, Garde M. Shea, A. Klockmann, Jack Davis, James Hunter, Louis Blue, J. S. Deschamps, F. W. Pretty, W. Harp, F. C. Moffatt, F. A. Wilkin, Le B. de Vebre, W. S. Haskins, John M. Long, John Y. Cole, Hector McPherson, J. E. Taylor, James Devine, A. L. Houston, Dave Maloney, J. W. Hartline, Lee Coombs, Harry Mackintosh, Ed. Watson, W. G. Merryweather, Harry Daniels, S. B. Shaw, W. L. Orde, W. N. Dunn, E. M. Bridgeford, Max Crowe, J. W. Spring, Fred Empey, T. R. Morrow, A. H. MacNeil, Dr. Kerr, W. F. McNeill, Dr. Bowes, Dr. Senior, Thomas Corsan, Dr. Coulthard, J. W. Astley, Hugh Henderson, F. W. Rolt, R. S. Lyon, Albert Barrett, F. J. Walker, Chester McBride, L. H. Webber, G. V. Hopkins, Colonel E. S. Topping, W. H. Aldridge and F. P. Gutelius.

This committee will meet in the City hall on Wednesday next at 7:45 p. m. to select a date for the carnival and appoint the necessary sub-committees. Shortly after the meeting adjourned Mr. Jackson received a telegram from Mr. Kerr, who is representing the Rossland Curling club at the annual meeting of the Kootenay Curling association at Nelson, saying that the bonspiel this year would be held at Rossland during carnival week. The general consensus of opinion of the meeting last night was that the carnival should be held about the first or second week in February and that an extra large attendance of visitors can be confidently

THE GOODEVE MEETING.

Opening of Campaign—Selection of Committees and Routine Business.

A largely attended meeting of electors in favor of Mayor Goodeve for a second term of office was held in Miners' Union hall last night. Mr. R. Dalby Morkill, jr., occupied the chair and the meeting took up the city voting lists and appointed committees for each of the three wards, an executive committee and other routine business. It was announced that the rooms formerly occupied by Mr. J. S. C. Fraser over the Bank of Montreal's old building on West Columbia avenue, had been obtained for use during the campaign and the different ward committees chosen as well as the executive committee will meet there on Tuesday evening next at 8 o'clock, when the organization of the party will be completed. The members of the committees will be duly notified by letter and are requested to report without fail at the time and place mentioned. The names of the ward committees and their chairman will be duly published after the meeting next Tuesday. A lot of other routine work was taken up and the campaign generally mapped out. The candidate was very much in evidence and seemed pleased with his prospects for re-election.

McPHERSON'S SUPPORTERS.

They Hold a Meeting and Organize for the City Campaign.

A meeting of the supporters of Mr. Hector McPherson for mayor, was held last evening in the C. O. D. grocery store. About 125 were present during the evening. The meeting was held for the purpose of organizing for the campaign. Mr. Thomas Brownlee was elected chairman pro tem, and Mr. George R. Gordon, secretary pro tem. Afterwards Mr. Henry Daniel was selected permanent chairman, and Mr. George R. Gordon, permanent secretary. Mr. J. H. Good was selected for vice-president. These three, with the chairman of the different ward committees, form the executive officers during the campaign. The following were selected as a finance committee: Messrs. David Mackenzie, chairman, and H. E. Courtney and Hugh McLeod.

The following general committee was selected: Messrs. Wilson Piper, J. G. Denison, K. R. Morrison, John Dunlap, Hugh McQuade, John McCreary, Alex. McGowan, William Richardson, R. N. Baker, Wm. Anderson, H. W. Aiken, Fred Wilde, James A. Webb, H. E. A. Courtney, Garrett Keefe, David McKenzie, J. H. Good, James Paxton, Neil McLeod, Joseph Peron, Patrick Slavin, Chris McCrie, W. H. Bell, D. C. Fraser, Thomas Brownlee, Jas. Hampton, George Talbot, Thomas Bewick, A. E. Denison, John McGonigle, Hugh McLeod, Thomas English, James Wintermute, Bert Rea, A. Hanson, Daniel McDermott, Robert Croft and Archie Gillespie.

The committee are requested to meet at the C. O. D. grocery store room on Monday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose

A FABULOUSLY RICH STRIKE

NEWS OF A DISCOVERY ON SULPHUR CREEK IN THE YUKON.

It Is Said to Be From \$100 to \$1,500 Per Square Foot Surface Measure—Testimony to Its Truth.

VICTORIA, Dec. 30.—News is given in the Dawson papers just received here of a rick strike on Sulphur creek. The Yukon Sun of December 5th says: "A gentleman, reported to be absolutely reliable, and who has returned from Sulphur creek, confirms the rumor of a fabulously rich strike on 46 below on Sulphur creek. He says a deposit of gravel 14 feet in depth and yielding from \$1 the minimum to \$15 per pan has been tapped. It yielded from \$100 to \$1,500 per square foot surface measure. It is almost too good to be true. Many men are found to add their testimony as to the truth of the reports of the richness and vast extent of the deposit of gravel uncovered on 46 above on Sulphur creek, fabulous as it may seem. It is probably safe to presume, in the absence of proof to the contrary, that it is a purely local deposit of narrowly circumscribed extent and not a part of a continuous 'streak.'"

FIFTH ANNUAL BALL.

It Was Given by the Miners' Union Last Night.

The fifth annual ball of Rossland Miners' Union No. 53, Western Federation of Miners, was given in their hall last evening. To say that it was a success socially and financially hardly does justice to the facts. Of all the annual dances given by the union this one took the lead. The music was good, the floor smooth, the committees attentive and a spirit of enjoyment evidently animated everybody, and the result was that all present had an enjoyable time. There were 24 dances on the program and these with the extras were enough to satisfy the most enthusiastic of dancers. Following are the committees whose careful work made the ball such a success: Committee of arrangements—R. Desmond, J. Devine, A. Houston, J. E. Kirby, E. Coyle. Reception committee—W. Hanna, W. William, T. S. Johnson, T. Morgan, N. Parlee, E. Master, J. Cocking, A. Pendray, M. E. Walsh. Floor committee—A. J. Lyons, K. D. Stinson, John Murray, J. Arthur, Tom Beswick, W. Strange.

M. Lucien Weyl of Paris, who is here looking after mining investments, will leave for the Slocan in a few days. He will be accompanied by Mr. J. E. Saucier. They will be absent about a week.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

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White Iron and Hope No. 2 mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: To the southeast of the Lily May mineral claim, lot 1,052, group 1, Kootenay district.

Take notice that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for the Iron Hope Mining & Milling Co., free miner's certificate No. B13,343, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 7th day of Nov., A.D. 1899.
11-16-10t
J. A. KIRK.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice.

Cumberland, Iron Chief, Cashier-Teller mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: One-half mile west of the Minnehaha mineral claim, between the middle and west forks of Murphy creek.

Take notice that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for John Kraft, free miner's certificate No. B 12,805 and E. M. Kinneer, free miner's certificate No. 33,774A, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 30th day of Oct., A. D. 1899.
11-2-10t
J. A. KIRK.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice.

Hungary Man mineral claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the West Fork of Rover creek about three miles from the Kootenay river.

Take notice that I, Kenneth L. Burnet, (acting as agent for William B. Townsend, Esq., free miner's certificate No. B 12,740, and Jack Moore, free miner's certificate No. B 13,652) free miner's certificate No. 34,063A, intend 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 28th day of Sept., A. D. 1899.
KENNETH L. BURNET.

Young & Burnet,
Rossland, B. C. 10-26-10t

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In its first issue in day next—the Miner of all the mining Trail Creek camp months, including the uses, assessment and pay roll men employed well as a comparison work. The hurried statistics have somewhat getting in the ordinary usual weekly requirements, the holder a good deal of development in some of the War Eagle and ment seized upon the some needed repairs mine machinery, and mines were closed down were made. At the shaft of the compressed been giving trouble which caused a temporary weeks ago, was repaired and for five days down to allow of the the general manager the all round expenditure would be added last evening they start up again during first thing this morning work would proceed of the year will find ing properties going case of the West Josie and the No. installed, and when staff employed will as stated by Mr. before Commissioner the Columbia-Kootenay cut out in No. 6 to be commenced early Nickel Plate, sinking in progress, and situated out in the general manager of had time as yet to properties in his capacity to speak for public statement to make months of the coming advance in all the ore is being sent to class ore dump of the is temporarily in a

THE NEXT DOMINION ELECTION

SIR CHARLES DECLARES IT WILL BE 1878 OVER AGAIN.

Federal Party Lines in Provincial Politics a Necessity, Not a Choice—The Result in Manitoba.

A representative of the Miner was among the many visitors who paid their respects to the veteran Conservative leader at the Hotel Alton yesterday. Sir Charles said he would go to Nelson today, and on over the Crow's Nest line, visiting and speaking at many points in the territories before returning to Ottawa in time for the approaching session. "I have been traveling ever since the middle of September," said the chieftain, "and have traversed the important parts of Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, the Territories and this province. The meeting this evening will be the fiftieth that I have addressed on this long trip."

Asked as to the present outlook in federal politics, Sir Charles said: "I do not think the government will venture to make an appeal to the country until they are obliged to, and I do not look for a general election until the full term for which the present parliament was elected has been completed. The Conservative party throughout the Dominion is now united and organized. We have unquestionably with us also the better class of Liberals who have become dissatisfied with the Laurier administration, and who will be found fighting with us shoulder to shoulder in the next elections. It will be 1878 all over again. I say that advisedly after meeting the people all over the country—people of all classes and political leaning, including the great growing class of independent electors, who decline to follow any party blindly, and to whom the Conservative party can confidently appeal for support. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's administration has succeeded admirably in alienating many of their most pronounced supporters, who remember very well the promises that were made when the Liberals were in opposition and the policy of the same party once they assumed the reins of power."

"Any cabinet which contains such men as J. Israel Tarte, Clifford Sifton and Hon. Mr. Blair, cannot retain the confidence of the country for any length of time. The Liberals have never beaten us, and only obtained power through the internal dissensions which arose in the great Conservative party. United as we now are, the result is not in doubt, and as I said a moment ago, it will be '78 over again."

"The recent elections in Manitoba is only the beginning of the end, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his cabinet realize it. The Conservative party there had to meet and contend against the Dominion government led by Mr. Sifton, and the local government led by Mr. Greenway, who united the forces of those two governments and parties in a solid phalanx, and the Conservatives, led by Hon. Hugh John Macdonald and myself, had to meet them in the same way on their own ground. By uniting the supporters of the Conservative party in the Dominion, and of the local Conservative party in Manitoba, we met and overcame the two governments, which used the most desperate and unscrupulous means it is possible to resort to, yet we secured a good Conservative majority, instead of being badly defeated, as we would have been had we adopted any other course."

"I think the policy of the Liberal party in this, and indeed, in all the provinces, will force the Conservatives to fight local issues on party lines. There is much to be said both for and against this course, in a general way, but I don't think the Conservatives will find that they have any choice in the matter. It is not a question as to which is the wisest and most judicious course to pursue, but of the adoption of the only means by which the actions of the present government on the question can be met successfully."

"I think the political career of Mr. Tarte is ended. His attempt to stir up a racial war at the present time is not endorsed by any following of importance, and his own party will be glad to get rid of him. The great public sentiment of Canada has been aroused over the war in South Africa, and I hope the government will go far enough to meet it half way."

Sir Charles concluded with expressing his astonishment at the progress made in Rossland, and in the province generally since his last visit here two years ago.

TRIED TO SHOOT.

A Variety Actress Makes a Lively Time on Washington Street.

Yesterday afternoon about 2:30 a variety actress named Josie Miller, caused considerable excitement on North Washington street. It is said the woman had been indulging pretty freely during the holiday season, and yesterday got into a despondent frame of mind because her best friend had left the camp in the morning. She was one of the boxes of the Alhambra saloon for some time, and when she was taken off to the lockup, where she remained all night. She still comes before the police magistrate this morning. If she really tried to destroy herself she must be a very bad shot, as, although she fired several times, she was not hurt in any way.

10,000 SORRY HEARTS:

La Grippe Has Made Them So—But Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart Will Bring Joy and Health. La Grippe has left many a heart weak and diseased. Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, because of its great merit as a heart remedy, the magical quickness in giving relief, and the almost incredible cures it performs, is snatching from death's door many who had been given over as hopeless cases. It's a wonder worker; it's a specific for all heart derangements, and no matter how acute or seemingly hopeless, will give relief inside of 30 minutes. Sold by Goodeve Bros.

MANSION HOUSE FUND.

Public Meeting to Be Called for Some Day Next Week—Various Proposals.

A very well attended meeting of ladies and gentlemen was held in the City onces yesterday afternoon to make arrangements for raising a sum of money from the camp for the Mansion House fund in aid of those left behind by Tommy Atkins, "The Absent Minded Beggar," who has gone to fight his country's battles.

Various means were suggested to start the ball rolling—a smoking concert or cafe chantant, in which the ladies graciously expressed their willingness to assist; a dance, an ordinary concert, public subscription lists through the medium of the press, and other plans were discussed. The generally accepted opinion expressed was that everyone in the camp should be given a good opportunity of subscribing in some way or other to the fund, and that if this was done properly a handsome sum could be obtained for the fund.

It was finally decided to ask His worship the Mayor to call a public meeting some day next week, when the whole question could be taken up, committees appointed and arrangements generally completed. In the meantime those who were present at the meeting yesterday will arrange a scheme to bring before the public meeting next week, when it can be improved or added to as the meeting sees fit.

It is generally the case here that the support of such matters falls upon a few, and that in this instance the fund should come from the camp as a whole. The miners, for instance, if the affair was properly put before them, would probably join in the movement and ensure its success. No doubt, when the matter is brought up next week some well thought out plan will be submitted, which will enable everyone to take a hand in it.

Left for Nelson.

Sir Charles Tupper and party left for Nelson by the early C. P. R. train yesterday morning. Before leaving Sir Charles expressed himself as greatly pleased with the meeting held here and with his visit to Rossland generally. A mass meeting was held in Nelson last evening at the opera house.

A Chimney Fire.

An alarm of fire at 10:30 summoned the fire department to the Butte hotel, on the south side of Columbia avenue west of Spokane street. The fire proved to be a burning chimney, which was extinguished without the aid of the fire apparatus.

Teachers' Convention.

At the last annual convention of the Kootenay Teachers' association it was resolved that the meeting for 1900 should be held in Rossland, early in January. Owing to unavoidable circumstances the committee find it impossible to arrange this meeting and have with the consent of the education department, postponed it until April, when it is intended to hold it in Rossland at the same time as the Provincial Teachers' association is in session in Victoria. The committee trust that a large number of teachers and friends interested in education will be able to attend at that time.

Voters' List.

The city clerk has received the first batch of the printed voters' list for 1899, who are qualified to vote in the approaching municipal elections. As already stated, the list contains in all about 600 names, an increase of about 150 over last year. Some of these are duplicates, but electors who are registered in more than one ward, while they have only one vote for mayor, may vote for aldermen in every ward in which they are duly registered. When and again the attention of citizens has been called to the necessity of seeing that their names were duly placed upon the list, and an advertisement calling the attention of citizens to the law on the subject, appeared in these columns for over a fortnight. Notwithstanding all this, many persons who are duly qualified to register as householders, or who should have settled up their taxes in order to get upon the list, have failed to do so, and will be unable to record their vote on the 11th prox.

Canada Mutual Mining & Development Company, Limited.

A meeting of the directors of this company was held at the company's office, Temple building, on Saturday, 9th inst. The secretary, Mr. D. W. Jameson, submitted a contract, into which he had entered on behalf of the company with a strong syndicate of Glasgow capitalists, whereby a working bond was granted over the Little Giant group, with the option of purchase thereof. The contract was unanimously accepted by the directors. A copy of the report made on the group by the Scottish expert was also submitted. Therein the expert says: "I have every confidence that by means of a properly formulated plan of systematic and economical development a splendid and profitable mine could be opened out for a very moderate capital investment." The syndicate has already registered in Great Britain under the name of the Scots-Canadian Mining and Development Syndicate, Limited, and has been instructed to push development work with all possible haste. The company, in addition to a substantial interest in the Little Giant group, still owns the Gladstone group (six claims), the Minnie No. 2 and the Trapper and Hunter claims, in the Duncan-Larson district. All these claims are considered to be bonanzas, and arrangements are being made to develop them as soon as spring opens. The annual meeting of the company will be held at the office, Temple Building, at 1 o'clock Tuesday, January 9, 1900.—Toronto World.

PITY THE WOMAN

Who's a Nervous Wreck—But Glory in a Remedy That Will Cure Her, as South American Nerve Did This One. Mrs. James A. Publicover, Linnenburg, N. S., was a wreck from stomach troubles and nervous prostration. After she had tried many remedies, and was treated by best physicians only to be disappointed in a cure, she was recommended to use South American Nerve. She did so, with the result that today, after years of suffering, she is a cured and happy woman, and proclaims this great remedy saved her life. Sold by Goodeve Bros.

The Skating Rink.

There will be no skating this afternoon, but the rink will be open this evening, and the regular band concert will be held. The fancy dress carnival advertised for next Thursday, has been postponed for a week on account of the soft weather. It will be held on the evening of the 11th, election day.

ROSSLAND WILL CELEBRATE

WINTER CARNIVAL COMMITTEE CALLED FOR NEXT WEEK.

Annual Winter Sports in February—Large Attendance Counted On—Bonspiel to Be Held Here.

In pursuance to a call by His Worship the Mayor a meeting was held in the city hall last evening for the purpose of arranging for the usual winter carnival. The attendance was not very large, but a great deal of enthusiasm was manifested. It was decided to hold the carnival at a date to be decided on later by the following general committee: Mayor Goodeve, Alderman Lalonde, J. S. C. Fraser, A. B. Mackenzie, H. W. C. Jackson, Ron. C. H. Mackintosh, J. Fred Ritchie, Ross Thompson, Hon. T. Mayne Daly, O. Jeldness, Ald. J. F. McCune, John McKean, Dan Thomas, J. S. Clute, Jr., A. B. Gibson, T. Hartman, W. H. Jones, J. B. Johnson, Hector McRae, J. M. Martin, G. McBride, C. R. Hamilton, Keith Lakey, J. Spellman, A. Lorne Becher, J. M. Smith, J. M. Hayden, Bert Collins, Thomas Shipley, N. F. Townsend, C. A. Cregan, J. L. G. Abbott, H. F. Myrtio, W. F. Oliver, A. B. Baker, B. M. Allan, E. W. Ward, C. F. Jackson, R. Plevman, H. S. Wallace, Samson W. Hall, J. B. Hastings, Nicholas Treagar, Bernard McDonald, R. E. Palmer, H. H. Smith, T. S. Gilmour, R. Dalby Morkill, Jr., C. Ross, E. B. Kirby, E. V. Jenkins, E. W. Auld, D. Morgan, W. S. Rugh, W. H. Faiding, Davis, James Hunter, Klockmann, Jack Garde, M. Shear, A. F. Prety, W. Harp, C. C. Moffatt, F. A. Wilkin, L. B. de Vebe, W. S. Haskins, John M. Long, John Y. Cole, Hector McPherson, J. E. Taylor, James Devine, A. L. Houston, Dave Maloney, J. W. Hartline, Lee Coombs, Harry Mackintosh, Ed. Watson, W. F. Merryweather, Harry Daniels, S. W. Shaw, W. L. Orde, W. Dunn, H. M. Bridgford, Max Crowe, J. W. Springs, Fred Empey, T. R. Morrow, A. H. MacNeil, Dr. Kerr, W. F. McNeill, Dr. Bowers, Dr. Senior, Thomas Corsan, Dr. Coulthard, J. W. Astley, Hugh Henderson, E. W. Rolt, R. S. Lyon, Albert Arret, F. J. Walker, Chester McBride, L. H. Webber, G. V. Hopkins, Colonel E. S. Lopping, W. H. Aldrage and F. P. Gutelink.

This committee will meet in the City hall on Wednesday next at 7:45 p. m. to select a date for the carnival and appoint the necessary sub-committees. After the meeting adjourned Mr. Jackson received a telegram from Mr. Kerr, who is representing the Rossland Curling club at the annual meeting of the Kootenay Curling association at Nelson, saying that the bonspiel this year would be held at Rossland during carnival week.

The general consensus of opinion of the committee was held that the carnival should be held about the first or second week in February, and that an extra large attendance of visitors can be confidently counted on, not only from all parts of the Kootenay and Boundary country, but also from Spokane.

A MCGILL PROFESSOR

Dr. Harrington Chats Entertainingly About the University—Some Stories.

Dr. B. J. Harrington, M. A., Ph. D., professor of chemistry, mineralogy, etc., at McGill University, Montreal, was a guest at the Allan House for some days. Dr. Harrington is here on private business and will return shortly to Montreal, as his course of lectures at the University will commence early in the year. The Professor has been visiting the surface workings of the War Eagle and some of the mines of the camp. While talking over the matter to this province of some of the McGill specialists, the provincial mineralogist, the Professor said that when he was asked to submit some names for the office of provincial mineralogist for British Columbia, when the local government first created the office, he did so, and placed Mr. Carlyle's name at the head with a strong recommendation to the authorities to secure his services, if possible. The result was that Mr. Carlyle was offered and accepted the appointment. Another little story about the Professor is that the B. C. A. is that he has a sister, the wife of a late, has had several patents accepted by the Paris Salon, and over much of her success to her distinguished brother, who, although not blessed with very large means at the time, cheerfully denied himself in order that his sister should have the best of teachers, and practically enabled her to thoroughly complete her education, so that in time she has been able to attain the success she has.

CURLING ASSOCIATION.

It Elects Officers—Next Bonspiel to Be Held in Rossland.

At the annual meeting of the Kootenay Curling association, held in Nelson, the following representatives were in attendance: D. E. Kerr and G. W. Williams of Rossland; A. F. Tamblin and N. T. McLeod; Nelson; H. A. Brown, Revelstoke; Kasko; Kelso; secretary, Thomas Gilmour, Rossland. Executive committee as follows: Patron, Hon. C. H. Mackintosh of Rossland; president, J. S. C. Fraser, Rossland; vice-presidents, M. L. Grummett, Sandon; Judge Forin, Nelson; H. A. Brown, Revelstoke; G. O. Buchanan, Rossland; secretary, Thomas Gilmour, Rossland. Executive committee as follows: Patron, Hon. C. H. Mackintosh of Rossland; president, J. S. C. Fraser, Rossland; vice-presidents, M. L. Grummett, Sandon; Judge Forin, Nelson; H. A. Brown, Revelstoke; G. O. Buchanan, Rossland; secretary, Thomas Gilmour, Rossland. Executive committee as follows: Patron, Hon. C. H. Mackintosh of Rossland; president, J. S. C. Fraser, Rossland; vice-presidents, M. L. Grummett, Sandon; Judge Forin, Nelson; H. A. Brown, Revelstoke; G. O. Buchanan, Rossland; secretary, Thomas Gilmour, Rossland.

LIFTED THE HOODOO.

How the Expressmen Made a Dull Day a Lively One.

Thirteen express sleighs were arranged in a row on Columbia avenue yesterday forenoon. It was cold and business was dull. "Less shake and hoodoo and at the same time warm the hoodoo and shout one of the drivers. "We'll go," came in a chorus from the line of drivers. Then the procession started and moved up east along Columbia avenue. The line of sleighs wandered around the several leading streets of the city and finally drove back to the stand. The horses were warmed, the hoodoo was lifted and business was brisk for the balance of the day. There were some predictions of evil things to happen because there were 13 men and 13 drivers, but nothing occurred during the drive to mar the pleasure of the occasion.

PERSONAL.

Miss Eleanor Coward has returned from a visit to Spokane. Mr. Lucien Weyl of Paris, is in the city. He is the representative of French capital which has already acquired interests in this section. Mr. Weyl will visit East Kootenay next week in company with Mr. J. E. Saucier. He expects to make investments in the Kootenays before he returns to France in the interest of himself and the syndicate which he represents.

SEWER GAS EXPLOSION.

Pittsburg, Jan. 1.—An explosion of sewer gas about midnight at Knoxville, a thriving borough near here, wrecked a large number of houses and tore up several streets for hundreds of feet. No one was injured. The houses destroyed were 22 frame dwellings owned by John Young fronting on Rochelle street and occupied by as many families.

THE GOODEVE MEETING.

Opening of Campaign—Selection of Committees and Routine Business.

A largely attended meeting of electors in favor of Mayor Goodeve for a second term of office was held in Miners Union hall last night. Mr. R. Dalby Morkill, jr., occupied the chair and the meeting took up the city voting lists and appointed committees for each of the three wards, an executive committee and other routine business. It was announced that the rooms formerly occupied by Mr. J. S. C. Fraser over the Bank of Montreal, 504 building on West Columbia avenue, had been obtained for use during the campaign and the different ward committees chosen as well as the executive committee will meet there on Tuesday evening next at 8 o'clock, when the organization of the party will be completed. The members of the committees will be duly notified by letter and are requested to report without fail at the time and place mentioned. The names of the ward committees and their chairman will be duly published after the meeting next Tuesday. A lot of other routine work was taken up and the candidate was generally mapped out. The candidate was very much in evidence and seemed pleased with his prospects for re-election.

MCPHERSON'S SUPPORTERS.

They Hold a Meeting and Organize for the City Campaign.

A meeting of the supporters of Mr. Hector McPherson for mayor, was held last evening in the C. O. D. grocery store. About 125 were present during the evening. The meeting was held for the purpose of organizing for the campaign. Mr. Thomas Brownlee was elected chairman pro tem, and Mr. George R. Gordon, secretary pro tem. Afterwards Mr. Henry Daniel was selected permanent chairman, and Mr. George R. Gordon, permanent secretary. Mr. J. H. Good was selected vice-president. These three, with the chairman of the different ward committees, form the executive officers during the campaign. The following were selected as a finance committee: Messrs. David Mackenzie, chairman, and H. E. Courtney and Hugh McLeod. The following general committee was selected: Messrs. Wilson Piper, J. G. Denison, K. R. Morrison, John Dunlap, Hugh McQuade, John McCreary, Alex. McGowan, James Robertson, R. N. Baker, Wm. Anderson, H. W. Aiken, Fred Wilde, James A. W. H. E. Courtney, Garrett, Keeffe, David Mackenzie, J. H. Good, James Paxton, Neil McLeod, Joseph Peron, Patrick Slavin, Chris McCree, W. H. Bell, D. C. Fraser, Thomas Browne, J. Hampton, George Talbot, Thomas Bestwick, A. E. Denison, John McConigle, Hugh McLeod, Thomas English, James Wintermute, Bert Rea, A. Hanson, Daniel McDermott, Robert Croft and Archie Gillespie.

The committee are requested to meet at the C. O. D. grocery store room on Monday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of further organization.

After the routine business had been transacted, Mr. Hector McPherson, the candidate for Mayor, thanked the committee and the audience for their interest and the interest which they were taking in the campaign. He said if all worked hard and harmoniously together there need be no doubt of the result which he thought would be a victory on election day.

TOO FREE WITH A PISTOL.

The Result Is That Josie Miller Will Leave Town.

Josie Miller, vaudeville actress, was before the police court yesterday on the charge of being drunk and disorderly. During a mad fit of hilarity, she pulled a revolver and attempted to perforate herself and everything else in sight in the Alhambra. The most damage was inflicted upon a whisky barrel. One of the bullets fired by her perforated it, and out of the puncture made there came two streams of the amber colored and exhilarating beverage. The excitement caused by the fusillade, this was noticed. After the excitement had subsided the fact that the barrel had been almost fatally wounded was discovered, but this was only after several gallons of good whisky had been wasted. The defendant, when she appeared before Mr. John Boulbee, police magistrate, pleaded hard. She promised, if she was released, to leave the city. The court finally suspended sentence till Tuesday, in order to give Miss Miller a chance to get out of town.

TURN TO PAGE 18.

Upon page 18 of our new Christmas Catalogue you will find what will interest you intensely if you are considering purchasing a Lady's Ring. We there show illustrations of what we are offering between \$50 and \$150. On pages 15, 16 and 17 you will find others ranging from \$15.00 to \$1000.00 each. If you have not seen this Catalogue, send for it. It shows 96 pages of what is choice in Diamonds, Watches, Silverware and Jewelry. Try mail ordering. We prepay charge of delivery, and cheerfully refund money in full if you are not perfectly satisfied.

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PHUR CREEK IN THE YUKON.

NEWS OF A DISCOVERY ON SULLIVAN CREEK IN THE YUKON. It Is Said to Be From \$100 to \$1,500 Per Square Foot Surface Measure—Testimony to Its Truth.

White Iron and Hope No. 2 mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district, where located: To the southeast of the Lily May mineral claim, lot 1,082, group 1, Kootenay district. Take notice that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for the Iron Hope Mining & Milling Co., free miner's certificate No. 153,943, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 7th day of Nov. A. D. 1899. 11-2-100 J. A. KIRK.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Cumberland, Iron Chief, Cahier-Teller mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: One-half mile west of the Minnehaha mineral claim, between the middle and west forks of Murphy creek. Take notice that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for John Kirk, free miner's certificate No. B. 12,805 and E. M. Kincaid, free miner's certificate No. 33,744A, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 30th day of Oct. A. D. 1899. 11-2-100 J. A. KIRK.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Hungry Mineral claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the West Fork of Rover creek about three miles from the Kootenay river. Take notice that I, Kenneth L. Burnet, acting as agent for William B. Townsend, free miner's certificate No. B. 12,749, and Jack Moore, free miner's certificate No. 34,063A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 28th day of Sept. A. D. 1899. 11-2-100 KENNETH L. BURNET.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Arnold mineral claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the west side of the North Fork of Salmon river, about 10 miles from the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway. Take notice that I, Kenneth L. Burnet, acting as agent for W. A. Arnold, free miner's certificate No. 13,534A, of Manchester, England, free miner's certificate No. 34,063A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 25th day of October, A. D. 1899. 11-2-100 KENNETH L. BURNET.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Skillings, Beaver No. 3 and Denmark mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About four miles up Sullivan creek. Take notice that I, Wm. E. Devereux, acting as agent for J. S. Clute, free miner's certificate No. 33,574, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 30th day of Oct. A. D. 1899. 11-2-100 WM. E. DEVEREUX.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Evening mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: Sixteen miles west of Rossland, B. C., north of and adjoining the Copper King mineral claim. Take notice that I, Wm. E. Devereux, acting as agent for F. R. Blockberger, F. M. C. No. 3420 A, George D. Root, F. M. C. No. 3420 A, Harry Hansen, F. M. C. No. 3396 A, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 19th day of August, 1899. 10-26-100 WM. E. DEVEREUX.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Hingle mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About one mile up Sullivan creek, and adjoining the Myrtle No. 1 on the west. Take notice that I, Wm. E. Devereux, acting as agent for G. H. Suckling, free miner's certificate No. 12,750B, and I. E. Suckling, free miner's certificate No. 35,439A, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 30th day of Oct. A. D. 1899. 11-2-100 WM. E. DEVEREUX.

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THE MINING REVIEW

Christmas Holidays Interfere With the Camp's Ore Shipments.

LE ROI STARTS UP WORK AGAIN

The Mines Idle Part of the Week—Shipments Fail to 2,408 Tons in Consequence—Work Resumed as the Year Closes—Year's Statement in Tuesday's Paper.

In its first issue in the new year—Tuesday next—the Miner will publish a review of all the mining work accomplished in the Trail Creek camp during the past 12 months, including the ore shipments, values, assessment and development work, roll men employed and the like, as well as a comparison of former years' work.

The hurried compilation of the statistics have somewhat interfered with getting in the ordinary mining notes for the usual weekly review. Under any circumstances, the holiday season has interfered a good deal with the progress of development in some of the larger mines.

The War Eagle and Centre Star management seized upon the opportunity to make some needed repairs and alterations to the mine machinery and for three days the mines were closed down and no shipments were made.

At the Le Roi mine the large shaft of the compressor plant, which has been giving trouble for some time, and which caused a temporary shut down some weeks ago, was replaced by a new one, and for five days the mine was closed down to allow of the change being made.

The general manager stated yesterday that the all round expense caused by the change would be about \$2,000. It was stated last evening that the Le Roi would start up again during the night, or the first thing this morning, and if the machinery was found to run smoothly, the work would proceed as usual.

The first of the year will find all the steadily working properties going on as usual. In the case of the West Le Roi properties, the Josie and the No. 1, machinery is being installed, and when that is completed, the staff employed will be largely increased, as stated by Mr. Bernard McDonald before Commissioner Clute last week.

In the Columbia-Kootenay, a station is being cut out in No. 6 tunnel, and sinking will be commenced early in the year. In the Nickel Plate, sinking to the 800 level is in progress, and sinking is also being carried out in the Great Western. The new general manager of the B. A. C. has hardly had time as yet to survey all the important properties in his care in this camp, so as to speak for publication, but it is a safe statement to make that the opening months of the coming year will see a rapid advance in all the corporation's mines.

No ore is being sent down from the second class ore dump of the Le Roi. The matter is temporarily in abeyance. There is every prospect at present that the opening months of the coming year will not only maintain the average shipment of 5,000 tons per week, but that this tonnage will increase, if anything.

In the completion of the larger mines are not interfered with, the commencement of the summer should show a pronounced increase of the weekly output, and there is every promise that it will.

The Ore Shipments. The ore output from the Rossland camp for the last week of the year fell down to 2,408 tons, but the reason was clear, the Le Roi company found it necessary to put in a new shaft in the compressor plant, and the big mine was closed down for five days as detailed elsewhere in this column.

The War Eagle and Centre Star took advantage of the Christmas holidays to make some needed changes and repairs to the machinery and on the 25th, 26th and 27th no shipments were made over the Columbia and Western railway. The Le Roi sent out 16 cars of ore on the 28th, the largest single day's shipment of the year, but only 29 carloads were sent out during the seven days, hence the camp's output for the week is about one-half of the usual amount sent to the smelters.

The close of the year, however, will find the Le Roi working full time, as the mine starts up again today. It will be noted that the estimated shipments for the year will exceed 183,000 tons. When the corrected figures are obtained there will of necessity be some slight change in the total. It will probably be found that the actual output of the Le Roi is slightly under the figures given week by week, while the estimated shipments of the War Eagle, Centre Star and other mines sending their output to the Trail smelter will be found to fall below the actual figures.

Combined tonnage given should be very nearly accurate—nearly so as it is possible to get and quite so for all practical purposes. A full review of the year's shipments will be given in next Tuesday's Miner, the first issue of the New Year.

The Ore Output. Appended is a detailed statement (approximately) of the camp's output for the week ending December 30th and year to date:

Week	Tons	Year—Tons
Le Roi	928	94,177
War Eagle	540	64,508
Iron Mask	150	5,646
Evening Star	—	1,068
Deer Park	—	18
Centre Star	750	16,795
Columbia-Kootenay	—	111
Virginia	—	100
Mountain Trail	—	20
I. X. L.	—	100
Coxey	—	20
Monte Christo	40	460
Giant	—	75
Total tons	2,408	183,008

I. X. L.—In the I. X. L. drifting both ways on the lead on the 150-foot level is in progress. A station is being cut out to start an upraise from the lower to the middle level. The values continue to be good. The I. X. L. sent to the smelter last week a half ton of ore carrying free gold that gave a return of about \$1,200 or approximately \$2,400 per ton. The 22 tons, which were shipped the week before last, went \$35 to the ton. When a little more development has been done upon the I. X. L. it is the intention of the management to begin shipments upon a large scale.

California.—Work is mainly confined to the surface. The foundation for the com-

pressor is ready, the gallow's frame is up and the hoisting engine is in position. It will be a month before the motor for the hoist comes to hand and a month and a half before the compressor plant will arrive. In the meanwhile work on the shaft will be in progress. Work on the tunnel continues, but the formation is hard and the progress is necessarily slow.

Wallingford.—The annual meeting takes place at the office of the company in Toronto on the 8th day of January next. Excellent progress is being made on the property, a full force of men being engaged night and day. The tunnel is now eight feet beyond the vertical line of the shaft, and there remains but the dips of the vein to run, which will be from 20 to 40 feet additional, before it will be encountered.

Iron Colt.—Work is being energetically pushed on this property. Upraising is still in progress from the tunnel along ledge No. 1. The ledge there is strong and the showing of ore continues to be good. One machine is at work on ledge No. 2. This is the north and south ledge and the showing there is of an encouraging character.

Deer Park.—Work is being continued on the crosscut on the 300-foot level. During the week 25 feet has been made on this drift. For this distance the formation has been heavily mineralized and the face of the crosscut is strongly mineralized. From these indications it is presumed that the ledge, which the drift is being driven to intersect, is not very far away.

New St. Elmo.—The compressor which was shut down, was started up about the middle of the week and is now in operation. Certain duplicate parts have been ordered and as soon as these arrive and are put in place it is thought the compressor will give no further trouble. Work continues in the crosscut from the tunnel, which is being run to tap a lead which is parallel to the main lead.

Coxey and Gertrude.—Work is being shut down on the Coxey, pending the receipt by the officers of the company of the report of Engineer Sandeman and other experts. If these are favorable, as it is thought certain they will be, a first compressor plant will be installed. Work on the Gertrude continues on the usual lines.

Velvet.—Work continues along the usual lines with encouraging results. The management is greatly pleased over the prospect of a railway, as it will enable it to install a large compressor plant and to ship out ore. It is understood that the railway, which is to be constructed between Rossland and the Velvet, will be operated by electricity.

Sunset No. 42.—The large hoist, which has hitherto been on No. 1 shaft, was removed during the week to No. 3 shaft. This stopped work on No. 3 ledge for that period. No. 3 ledge has been drifted on for a distance of 30 feet and there is considerable improvement in it, as more copper is coming in.

Bunker Hill.—The work of handling the 10-stamp mill from Waneta to the mill site is in progress. The management now anticipates that the mill will be in operation by March 15th.

Monte Christo.—Stopping of ore continues, but no shipments were made for the reason that the roads have been in a poor condition.

Evening.—Work on the shaft continues. The ore is widening out a little and the showing is of an encouraging character.

Portland.—Work continues on the shaft and tunnel. There were no developments of moment during the past week.

White Bear.—Drifting is still in progress on the 300-foot level. The drift is in 150 feet from the shaft.

Green Mountain.—The shaft is being deepened from the 250-foot level.

Arthur.—Surface prospecting continues with favorable results.

Jumbo.—The ledge on the 450-foot level is being crosscut.

VICTORY FOR MR. HELMZE.

Decision Rendered in the Big Butte Law Suit. Butte, Mont., Dec. 28.—Judge Clancy, in the district court today, handed down his decision in the suit of the Montana Ore Purchasing company against the Boston & Montana Mining company, to settle ownership to certain veins of copper under the Rarus and Johnston claims, owned by the plaintiff, and the Pennsylvania, owned by the defendant. The decision is in favor of the plaintiff. The trial of the action was before the court without a jury and occupied 10 weeks. The judge has had the case under consideration two months.

The suit is decided originated in the United States court here in an action by the Boston & Montana against the Montana Ore Purchasing company, in which the former sought to enjoin the defendant and to close down the workings and to recover judgment for \$75,000. The Ore Purchasing company then instituted a counter-suit—that just decided—claiming ownership of all of the ore bodies in controversy and of other ore bodies which had not been previously mined upon by it.

The original suit of the Boston & Montana for damages was dismissed by the United States court of appeals for lack of jurisdiction, after an injunction had been pending for about a year against the Ore purchasing company. A new suit was immediately instituted in the United States circuit court, in which the Boston & Montana company insisted upon the jurisdiction of the federal court. An injunction was again granted, and this suit was again dismissed by the circuit court of appeals, leaving pending upon the docket as the only suit involving the proprietorship of the ore bodies in question, the Ore suit which was decided today. The Ore purchasing people contended in this action for an east and west vein system apexing in their ground, and the Boston & Montana people contended on the other side for a north and south vein, which would cut off the rights of the Ore Purchasing company to follow the veins from their apexes upon the dip to the south.

It is said the trial and preparation for trial in development work involved an expenditure of over \$500,000. The case will be carried to the supreme court of the state for review, and possibly to the supreme court of the United States. Attorneys for the plaintiff say the decision will be followed at once by suits for about a million and a half damages for losses sustained by reason of work being stopped while the Boston & Montana injunction was pending. It is also stated that as soon as several lateral points are

Most Miraculous Heart Cures

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Kingston, April 26, 1899.—Mr. Thos. Cooke, 290 Johnson street, Kingston, tells this wonderful story of his sickness from heart disease, and what he consid-

ers his almost miraculous recovery by the aid of that good angel of modern medical science—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. He says: "I suffered seven years from a very acute form of heart disease. I experienced great weakness; had smothering sensations; palpitation, so badly that one in the same room could hear the heart thumps. I had great nervousness and de-

pression, at times, suffered excruciating shooting pains. Could not stand the slightest exertion or excitement. I tried many remedies recommended to me, and consulted physicians on my ailments, and nobody gave me any hope of permanent recovery. But one day I read of a cure by this wonderful remedy which seemed just to be my own case repeated. I got a bottle and derived great benefit from it. I concluded to continue, as it promised a complete and permanent cure, and when I had used six bottles not a vestige of the trouble remained, and although that is a year and a half ago there has never been the slightest symptom of a return of the trouble."

You can readily verify this or any other testimony of the curative powers of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, for the commendations for it came spontaneously and unsolicited, and in ninety-nine

cases out of a hundred are given out of the "fullness of the heart" in being snatched from the snare of so distressing an ailment as heart disease in any form.

If modern medical science has given to the world a remedy—a cure—that thousands have used and have tested the curative powers of after having suffered for years, and had been pronounced hopeless case—if, as a last resort, even it has proved such a boon, an amount of suffering would have been spared if when the slightest uneasiness of the heart is experienced Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart were used! It has never failed to go what it promises. It gives relief in the most acute forms of the disease in less than 30 minutes. It not only stimulates a healthy heart action, but it heals the diseased organs, gives vitality, tones the whole system, and it's not claiming too much to say "IT 'MOST WORKS MIRACLES."

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settled, work will be started on the vein so long in dispute and that 500 men will be put to work.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. Editor Miner: There are many holders of Victory-Triumph shares in this city, myself among them, who are unable to obtain information as to what steps are to be taken prior to the despatch of certificates to the Trail Creek company of London, Eng. To settle the question I have addressed said company in the form at foot, and will communicate to you any reply I may receive, the matter being one of public interest.

PERCIVAL WITHERBY. Rossland, Dec. 29, 1899. According to recent advertisement in the local paper, holders of Victory-Triumph shares are asked to send their certificates in to you to be exchanged for shares in the new company. It is stated around town that sundry holders, who have adopted that course, have had their certificates returned. No information is obtainable from the late agent, who is out of town, and under these circumstances holders do not know what action to take.

If it be necessary to make affidavit, or if any other formality be required by you, kindly let me know at once. I have sent a copy of the present to the press.

Yours faithfully, (Signed) PERCIVAL WITHERBY. To the secretary Trail Creek Mining Co., Ltd., 39 Lombard street, London, Eng.

WONDERS OF MESMERISM. Professor McEwen Amuses and Entertains His Audience.

Professor McEwen, the hypnotist, appeared at the Rossland opera house last evening before a good-sized audience. The professor certainly is an adept in the art which he practices. He placed about a dozen local people under the mysterious mesmeric influence and suggested all sorts of queer things to them and they seemed to imagine that they were bareback riders, circus clowns, dancers, acrobats or any "old thing" that the professor willed. The antics of those under the mesmeric influence were so queer and ludicrous that at times it caused much amusement to the audience. The power which is seemingly exerted by Professor McEwen seems far above the ordinary. The entertainment is of a most interesting character and should be seen by all who are fond of humorous scenes and who wish to see practical applications of the wonders of hypnotism.

Ohio Osteopaths. Columbus, O., Dec. 30.—Ohio Osteopaths are holding their second annual state convention in this city today with a good attendance of members from various parts of the state. The gathering was called to order at 10 o'clock this morning by Dr. G. W. Sommer of Cincinnati, president of the association, and papers on subjects of interest to the profession were read by Dr. Tracie Beal of Mansfield, Dr. C. M. T. Huette of Cleveland, Dr. W. J. Liffing of Toledo and other members. The gathering will conclude this evening with a banquet at the Neil house.

The Saratoga Floated. Santiago, Jan. 1.—The Ward line steamer Saratoga, after having been 10 days aground, was pulled off yesterday by the Santiago and two tugs.

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The South African War
is telling on the stock markets of the world. Even such standard stocks as the Le Roi, War Eagle, Iron Mask, Winnipeg, Brandon, Knob Hill, Old Ironsides and Tamarac have more or less weakened in consequence of the British reverses in South Africa. With the Bank of England rate standing at six per cent, financial stringency in our money markets is simply unavoidable. The question arises how long will this continue? Not long. The ultimate success of British arms is confidently expected, therefore this is the moment for the monied man. Have you money to invest? Have you faith in the mining future of British Columbia? Then act upon your convictions and save money by investing at present unexpectedly low prices. Others are doing it. Intrinsically Le Roi, Republic, Mountain Lion Winnipeg or Tamarac are today worth as much, if not more, than ever before. Though they have slumped, and may not even yet have reached rock bottom, yet no one doubts their early recovery. Consequently I invite you to call or correspond with me. If you have money to plunk down, come and utilize your reserve forces, as the power of the Almighty Dollar is simply omnipotent in a financial crisis.
Rossland, B. C., 1899.

RICHARD PLEWMAN.
Weekly Stock Letter Issued Mondays. Mailed Regularly on Application.

IT IS UNDER GUARD. The German Mail Steamer Seized for Carrying Contraband of War.

Durban, Jan. 1.—The Imperial mail steamer Bundesrath of the German East African line, which was seized by the British cruiser Magicienne, on the ground that she was carrying contraband of war in Delagoa Bay, has been brought to a wharf here, and is now guarded by marines and blue jackets. The United States, German, Russian and Austrian military attaches, who spent the holidays in Durban, returned to the front this evening. The White Star steamer Majestic, which left Liverpool on December 13th with 2,000 troops, arrived here today.

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OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. and Hope No. 2 mineral in the Trail Creek Mining West Kootenay district. To the southeast of the claim, lot 1,062, group tract. That I, J. A. Kirk, acting as Iron Hope Mining & Mill-miner's certificate No. 66, sixty days from the date of improvements, for the mining a crown grant of the take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of improvements. day of Nov., A. D. 1899. J. A. KIRK. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Iron Chief, Cashier-Teller situate in the Trail Creek of West Kootenay district. One-half mile timehaha mineral claim, middle and west forks of that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as Kraff, free miner's certificate No. 33,774A, in- from the date hereof, for a certifying recorder for a crown grants of the above take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of improvements. day of Oct., A. D. 1899. J. A. KIRK. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. a mineral claim, situate in ing Division of West Kootenay. Where located: On the Rover creek about three Kootenay river. That I, Kenneth L. Burnet, for William B. Townsend, certificate No. B 12,740, re, free miner's certificate No. 30, free miner's certificate No. 60 days from the date of improvements, for the mining a crown grant of that take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of improvements. day of Sept., A. D. 1899. KENNETH L. BURNET, Notary, B. C. 10-26-10t. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. aver No. 3 and Denmark situate in the Trail Creek of West Kootenay district: About four miles that I, Wm. E. Devereux, S. Clute, Jr., free miner's \$3,574A, intend, sixty days hereof, to apply to the for a certificate of im- the purpose of obtaining the above claims. take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of improvements. day of Oct., A. D. 1899. W. M. E. DEVEREUX, P. L. S. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. cal claim, situate in the ing Division of West et. Where located: Six- of Rossland, B. C., north the Copper King mineral that I, Wm. E. Devereux, for F. R. Blockhenger, M. O. A. George D. Root, F. D. A. Harry Hansen, Jr. 354A, intend, sixty days hereof, to apply to the for a certificate of im- the purpose of obtaining the above claim. take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of improvements. day of August, 1899. W. M. E. DEVEREUX, P. L. S. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. claim, situate in the Trail vision of West Kootenay located: About one mile and adjoining the Myra west. That I, Wm. E. Devereux, H. Suckling, free miner's 756B, and I, E. Suckling, certificate No. 35,430A, in- from the date hereof, to- ning recorder for a cer- vements, for the purpose own grant of the above take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of improvements. day of Oct., A. D. 1899. W. M. E. DEVEREUX, P. L. S. C. R. HAMILTON LE MAISTRE Solicitors, Notaries. Rossland B. C.

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The report for 1934-35 gives the number of these schools respectively as 201, namely: High schools 25, Graded schools 228, Rural schools 228, Ward schools 4.

During this year at least 25 additional schools have been opened and maintained by the department.

Normal School—The school system of the province can not be considered yet as completed. There is no training school for any kind of our teachers in this province and hence many of the best positions are filled by teachers who have obtained their professional training and experience in other provinces.

The Kootenays—Thus far the progress of education has been spoken of generally in the province, but if we turn our attention to the two Kootenays alone, the rapidity with which these districts are growing is truly remarkable.

Rossland—Coming still nearer home, to the city of Rossland itself, we see marked by the rapid progress in educational matters. If any of our readers will take the opportunity of visiting our school, with its large, airy, well-ventilated rooms and halls, its well-graded desks and suitable appointments he will scarcely believe that the first room was opened for teaching in Rossland in September 1895.

During the year 1934-35 there were added an additional room to the existing school, and 153 pupils. In 1934 there were 7 teachers employed with an attendance of 471 children, and now at the present time there are 11 teachers and 643 pupils enrolled.

In East Kootenay there were in 1932, 2 schools with 2 teachers and 51 pupils enrolled; 1933, 5 schools with 5 teachers and 123 pupils enrolled; 1934, 7 schools with 3 teachers and 295 pupils enrolled.

In West Kootenay there were in 1932, 2 schools with 2 teachers and 81 pupils enrolled; 1933, 4 schools with 4 teachers and 244 pupils enrolled; 1934, 16 schools with 28 teachers and 1,223 pupils enrolled.

These numbers, have already increased in East Kootenay to 14 schools with 17 teachers, and in West Kootenay to 30 schools with 66 teachers who will be at the disposal of the province.

If a sufficient number of high school pupils can be obtained as required by the school law of British Columbia then a high school could be established in each of the school districts.

Government—Our schools are under the direct control of the council of public instruction. The council appoints the superintendents of education and inspectors of schools.

When a district is gazetted, three trustees are elected by the residents. Their duties are to select a duly qualified teacher or teachers and to see to the expenditure of the grant allowed for incidental expenses.

Qualifications for Teachers—Only teachers holding certificates of qualification issued by the education department of this province, are eligible to teach in our public schools.

Grades of Schools—There are high schools in each of the four coast cities, as well as in the interior. Vancouver high school is an addition affiliated with McGill University, Montreal.

THE GREENWOOD SMELTER. Shipments of 100 Tons of Ore to be made From the Mother Lode.

Greenwood, B. C., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—There are about 50 men at work on the B. C. Copper company smelter here and everything is proceeding steadily and satisfactorily.

In this connection, there is a most important item of news to announce. The Mother Lode will ship 100 tons of ore to the Trail smelter.

From this brief outline it is evident that the government has given full attention to the necessities of outlying districts, as well as of the more populous centres, and it is these former that so largely aid to the expenditure for education in this province.

Mc. John Kaufman of Spokane, is at the Windsor.

SHOULD BE ONE NATION

The U. S. and England Should Be One Nation in the Cause of Freedom.

London, Jan. 3.—Mr. Joseph Choate, the United States ambassador, and Mrs. Choate, accompanied by the Bishop of London, the Right Rev. Mandell Creighton, and Lord George Hamilton, the secretary of state for India, opened the free library at Acton, donated by Mr. John Edwards, this afternoon.

A Bill Introduced in the United States Senate by Foraker.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Senator Foraker today introduced a bill providing a form of government for the island of Porto Rico. The bill provides for the continuation of the laws and municipal ordinances now in force on the island until the legislature, provided for, shall stipulate them.

A DANGEROUS SOMNAMBULIST. Husband Who Shoots His Wife While in a Sleep Walk.

New York, Jan. 3.—Coroner Banning held an inquest today at Mount Vernon into the death of Mrs. Alfred Morrison, who was shot and killed by her husband on Friday.

Prices to Be Raised. New York, Jan. 3.—The American Knit Underwear association taking in the fleece lined underwear manufacturers of the State of New York, at an executive meeting here today, decided to raise the price of knit goods 12 1/2 cents a dozen.

Parnell Memorial. Dublin, Jan. 3.—At a meeting of the Parnell memorial committee in this city, Daniel Dalton, Lord Mayor of Dublin, presiding, John E. Redmond announced the result of the recent tour of the Lord Mayor and himself in the United States, in the interests of the fund.

Additional Import Tax. His Majesty, Jan. 3.—The government has resolved to impose an additional tax of 10 per cent on imports from Austria and Portugal, and 80 per cent on imports from France and Italy, to take effect on March 1st.

Gone, Up, in Smoke. Detroit, Mich., Jan. 3.—The \$30,000 stock of Morgan, Park & Morris, manufacturers of regalia and military supplies, was destroyed by fire today.

Six Hundred Lives Lost. St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—The latest reports from Achalkalek, in the government of Tigris, show that 600 lives were lost during the earthquake which visited that district on Monday.

French Conspiracy Trial. Paris, Jan. 3.—The high court will announce sentences in the conspiracy cases tomorrow. The trial cost 800,000 francs in addition to the expenses of detention.

Cheese Tournament. Vienna, Jan. 3.—The final bout of the master cheese tournament was played in this city today. Marochny won the first prize, but owing to an adjourned game, the distribution of the other prizes cannot be determined at present.

PUT IN A RECEIVER. A Bill to Foreclose a Mortgage on an Electric Railroad.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 3.—A bill was filed today in the United States circuit court by the Mercantile Trust company of New York, as trustee, to foreclose the senior mortgage on the Chicago & Grand Trunk railway company, for the principal of the bonded debt of the company, \$9,000,000, which matured January 1st.

Explosion of Natural Gas. Fargo, Dak., Jan. 3.—The Michigan Central railway well blew up last night, demolishing the pumping house and fatally injuring Pumper Hough.

Twenty-two Drowned. London, Jan. 3.—A British dispatch announces that the British steamer Boghazie of Glasgow, bound for Cape Finisterre, was lost Friday during a hurricane. 22 of the crew being drowned.

THE OUTSIDE CAMPS

Up quite a deposit of crude sulphur that does not seem at present to carry any value. This ledge is of great width, and in conjunction with those of the Viking and Crescent should, with development, make a fine workable property.

The Big Chief and Boulder creek in another property which has and is doing extensive development work. An immense dyke traverses the ground its entire length. During the past summer a crosscut and tunnel have been driven 142 feet.

The Dupont group on Boulder creek was a prospect one year ago, and it was not until this summer that any work aside from assessment was done.

The Red Line on McDonald creek is a property which has gained considerable notoriety as showing an immense body of solid silver ore on the surface.

The Collections. The collections for the month of January are available only from July 1st and are as follows:

SEVEN WERE INJURED. Serious Railway Collision at St. Paul—One Man May Die.

INTERNAL REVENUE RETURNS. The Figures for the Last Six Months Only Available.

COLONIAL PROGRESS. The Victorious Troops Meet With an Enthusiastic Reception.

WINE TO BE DEEPENED. Advice received from the Tamarac are to the effect that the hoisting engine and pump are now being removed from the old shaft to the tunnel.

German Trade With Transvaal. London, Jan. 4.—The Berlin correspondent of the Daily News says: "The German government is making inquiries of Berlin manufacturers and traders as to the extent of their exports to the Transvaal, the view being that the German trade with the Transvaal will increase after the war."

Dr. B. J. Harrington, professor of mineralogy in McGill University, Montreal, who has been in Rossland on private business for the past fortnight, left for East yesterday.

Latest War News and Canadian Victory

And Reverses have no Effect on Rossland West End Stocks. Note the I. X. L., Giant, California and

BIG FOUR

When everything else went down they all improved. Why? The values and ore are both there in large quantities on the Big Four. The No. 2 vein exposed on the railway cutting, 40 feet wide, assays from which went from \$3.00 to \$42 in gold, we at now tunneling underneath and crossing the ledge, and the ore body will soon be reached and shipping begun, when large capital that is waiting development will come in, and small investors get big returns.

OFFICE, COLUMBIA AVE. Two doors above Mason's Hall. P. O. Box 545, Rossland, B. C. Pooled Shares, 3c. for treasury purposes only, and treasury certificates 4c.

Table with columns: Month, Exports, Imports, Mineral Exports, etc.

A tabulated statement is given hereunder showing month by month for the past year the customs returns for the port of Rossland. The figures show a great increase over those of the previous year.

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IMPORTANT SHOOTING

It is Eight Feet Wide and High Grade—Shipping On Lower Levels, and Other

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