

APRIL

DIVIDEND PAYERS

The Profits of Some of Kootenay's Rich Mines.

MANY NEW MINING NOTES

Miscellaneous Facts Concerning the Progress, Development and Operations of the Various Districts Throughout the Province.

The lodj mines of Kootenay have thus far paid dividends amounting to \$4,032,000. The largest of these is the Payne mine, with \$1,800,000 to its credit.

The output of coke for 1895-6-7 was 19,396 tons, valued at \$36,980, of which the bulk was shipped to Kootenay smelters. All of it came from the coke ovens at Comox, Vancouver Island.

The placer gold yield for British Columbia from 1850 to 1897 amounted to \$59,317,473. For 1897 the yield was \$513,520.

The production of the lodj mines of the province from 1887 to 1897, the past ten years, amounted, in gold, silver, copper and lead to \$15,094,427, and the progress in development is indicated by the fact that more than half of this amount—\$7,052,431—was taken out in 1897.

With a 10-stamp mill 135 tons of cemented gravel in the Quesnelle district was crushed in 24 hours, and the cost of mining or milling did not exceed \$1.40 per ton. The yield per ton was \$1.78.

The gold yield of the Cassiar district from 1874 to 1888 was \$4,999,394. Of the placer yield of the Province, over \$35,000,000 have been taken from the Cariboo gravel deposits, and two and one-half miles on Williams creek yielded over \$20,000,000.

During 1894-5-6, before hydraulic mining in the Quesnelle district was abandoned, 492,426 were recovered from 750,000 cubic yards of gravel and hard cement, or 12.3 per cent.

The placer gold product for the season of 1897 in Quesnelle district was \$3,078 ounces, valued at \$138,559. The average yield was 16.4 cents per cubic yard, and the yield of a day of 24 hours operations was \$1,244.63.

Large barges are being built so that coke can be sent from the ovens on Vancouver Island, to the Mainland, to avoid reshipment.

The Cinnabar mines in the Kamloops district have temporarily shut down, without proving anything yet of value.

The average net or yield values of 33,576 tons of Sloacan ore were 108.5 ounces of silver per ton and 45.7 per cent lead, with a total gross value of \$97.70 per ton, or \$50 to \$55 net.

No large copper properties have as yet been developed in this province. The production of 5,325,000 pounds in 1897 came almost entirely from Rossland, and the Halle Mines at Nelson, the average yield value at the former being 1.32 per cent, and at the latter 3.83 per cent.

ON THE MAIN LINE

That Is Where the City of Rossland Desires to Be.

IT WOULD HELP THIS CITY

It is Proposed to Alter the Route of the Crow's Nest Pass Branch so That It May Be Through Ymir and This Camp.

THE DEER PARK.

The Toronto World of March 26 contains a number of glaringly incorrect and misleading statements concerning the Deer Park Gold Mining company and its operations.

The old company did considerable work on the property, but not to the best advantage and ended by running heavily into debt. When F. A. Mulholland took hold of the mine, its affairs were in a sadly disorganized condition.

However, he recognized the value of the property, and not only succeeded in floating a new company, but put \$10,000 in the treasury for development purposes and arranged for the issue of new stock for shares in the old company on a dollar for dollar basis.

He commenced operations at the mine in a careful, thorough and systematic manner. The good judgment displayed by him in the recent development is best evidenced by the rich strike which was made a week or so ago.

It is said that the Cliff mine is to be incorporated shortly. This mine is owned by S. M. Wharton, G. C. Wharton, John R. Cook and others. It is located in the north belt, three-quarters of a mile from Rossland, and has over 1,200 feet of development work done upon it.

The Gelart Group. F. H. Hutton, formerly foreman of the sampling works of the B. C. S. & R. Co. at Trail, was in Rossland yesterday closing a deal for the Gelart group of claims, situated on Outler's creek, about 12 miles east of Trail.

Work on Cliff Fraction Resumed. Work on the Cliff fraction has been resumed with a force of five men. A tunnel is being driven, which is in now a distance of 30 feet.

Local Business Men Organize a Mutual Benefit Association. The Rossland Building society has been formed by a number of business men of this city.

The New School House. Rossland's new school house is about completed and will be occupied about the middle of April.

Galena and Copper. In the Zio Bedesto tunnel, which is now in 185 feet, galena and copper ore, in seams of three and four inches in width, have been encountered.

W. F. Tye, C. P. R. engineer, has removed his headquarters from the Mainland to the general offices of the company at Trail.

THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The first meeting of the incorporators and shareholders of this company was held at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, the past week, the following shareholders and directors being present: Dr. A. C. Sinclair, M. Simpson, J. B. Combs, Smith Curtis, Frank A. Empey, W. Rolle, R. A. Power, B. A. Chase, A. J. McMillan, G. Goldsmith, W. C. Cluett.

After the usual routine business had been transacted, Messrs. Sinclair, Simpson, Combs, Morrow, Power, Curtis, Chase and Empey were elected directors of the company, and out of their number were elected officers to manage the affairs of the company as follows: President, A. C. Sinclair, Esq., M. D.; Vice-President, M. Simpson, Esq.; Secretary, Treasurer, Smith Curtis, Esq.

George Goldsmith, the vendor to the company of the Oregon and Ophir mineral claims in the Lardeau Mining division, gave his opinion as to the necessary work required to place the property on a shipping basis, and stated that the expenditure of a few thousand dollars on the Oregon should make the company's shares worth many times their present price.

The brokers who have charge of the sale of shares, Messrs. Thornton Langley & Co., submitted correspondence from their agents in the eastern states and provinces, and London, England, showing that the first issue of 200,000 treasury shares will all be placed in time to commence development work early next month.

The subscription for promoters' shares was closed, many applications being refused. Fifty thousand were applied for by wire by a Montana firm of brokers. This sale absorbed all unallotted shares.

He Will Interest German Capital in Rossland Properties. Work has been commenced on the Blocksberg and Sursum Cora mineral claims, on Monte Cristo mountain. These properties belong to Prof. Fred R. Blockberger, the United States consul at Rossland.

Another War Eagle Purchase. J. B. Hastings, for the Gooderham-Blackstock people, has purchased the Ben Tillman group of claims, adjoining the Republic, at Republic camp on the north extension of the Republic, and lies between that property and the North Star. The deeds were made to Joseph J. Taylor as trustee.

The Tom Payne Company. Work is to be commenced in a few weeks on the development of the Tom Payne and Myrtle properties, on Tamara mountain, operated by the Tom Payne Consolidated Mining & Milling company.

Death of Tichborne Claimant. New York, April 2.—A London dispatch to the Sun reports the death in that city last night of Arthur Orton, the Tichborne claimant.

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Kootenay Country

AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$5,000 to \$50,000

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We deal directly with owners and handle only property which will stand the test of careful examination. Two specially promising groups of GOLD-COPPER properties on Easy Bonding Terms.

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NOTICE.

The public is hereby warned against buying stock certificates Nos. 149 and 150 for 500 shares each, and Nos. 850, 851, 852, 853 and 854 for 200 shares each of the Royal Gold Mining company, which were stolen in the recent mail robbery at Rossland, B. C.

D. D. BIRKS, Secretary.

JOSEPH B. DABNEY, Mining Broker.

J. L. PARKER, Consulting Mining Engineer.

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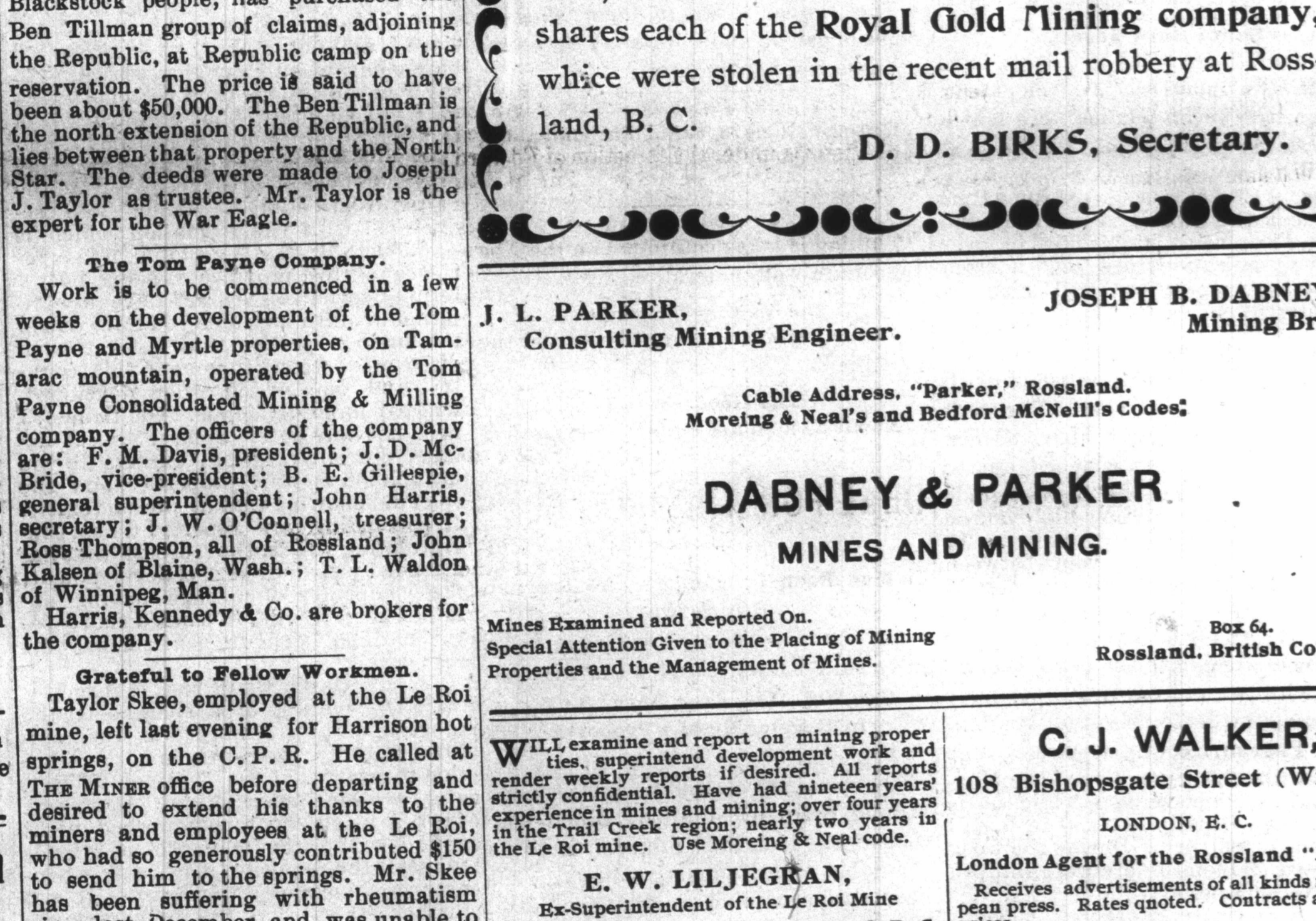
E. W. LILLEGAN, Ex-Superintendent of the Le Roi Mine, Rossland, B. C.

WILL examine and report on mining properties, superintendent development work and render weekly reports if desired.

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NEWS OF THE COAST

Ex-Speaker Higgins Criticized For Leaving the Government.

THE MORTGAGE TAX LAW

Mr. Rithet Advocates Liberal Assistance For a Railway From the B. C. Coast Into the Yukon—The British Pacific Project.

VICTORIA, April 1.—The full court today allowed the appeal of the law society against the mandamus issued by Mr. Justice Drake to compel the society to admit Mr. Gwillim to practice.

In the legislature today ex-Speaker Higgins was severely criticized by Hon. C. E. Pooley and Dr. Walken, for his utterance hostile to the government during the by-budget debate yesterday and today, as well as during the recess, since he announced his intention of leaving the party.

Mr. Rithet, a government supporter, continuing the budget debate, expressed regret that during it more had not been heard of the mortgage tax, which he thought ought to be abolished, as it constitutes a double taxation.

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Whereas, The administration of affairs of the province has not been carried on in such a way as to best conserve the public interest.

Therefore the government has forfeited all claim to the confidence of the house and country.

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SEWAGE OF THE CITY.

Can Be Disposed of Cheaply by the Tank and Seepage System.

When Mayor Wallace and Dr. Edward Boves returned from Victoria, whither they went as delegates to represent Rossland, they reported that the delegation had conferred with the provincial board of health concerning the sewage question in general and particularly as it related to Rossland.

The honorable Chief Commissioner of Land and Works.

Sir: I have the honor to report the installation, on a small scale, at Government house, of a subsoil sewerage irrigation system.

The system is intermittent, and automatic, the old sewer has been cut, and its flow diverted into an automatic flush tank, where it is screened and the liquid sewage, having accumulated to the amount of about 300 gallons, is automatically discharged, through a double-flush syphon into the conductor, which is constructed of 6-inch galvanized sewer pipe.

From the conductor the sewage discharges by gravitation into a series of drains aggregating 1,463 lineal feet of ordinary tile 3 inches in diameter, through the joints of these it finds its way into the soil.

The top of the drains are laid from below the surface on brick, in order that when taken up for cleaning they may be relied on the true grade; these drains approximately follow contour lines, and are furnished at their ends with air pipes.

Where the old sewer was cut it is still retained for purposes of ventilation.

Some little trouble was experienced in finding lines which would necessitate the least amount of blasting, as the underlying rock could not be entirely avoided.

In maintaining the system in working order it will be necessary to occasionally remove any solid matters which may be intercepted by the screen; this refuse should be burnt or buried.

It will also be found necessary to clear the drain of any solid substances which from time to time may obtain access to them, and in this connection the roots of neighboring trees are most to be dreaded.

The deputy minister of agriculture informs me that these roots, for which the drains have considerable attraction, may be cut each August without injury to the trees.

Solid matter causing obstruction in the drains will be indicated, at least in the dry season, by appearance of moisture on the surface.

It is usual in this system to provide drains at a deeper level to carry the effluvia. These have not been put in, as it is anticipated that the area irrigated will be sufficient to absorb all that may reasonably be expected to reach it; if ultimately found necessary these can be laid hereafter.

The total cost of the work has been: Material, \$255.88; engineering, labor, etc., \$244.30; total \$499.88. I have the honor to be, sir, your most obedient servant.

(Signed) EDWARD MOHUN, Sanitary Engineer.

PEORIA GOLD MINING COMPANY.

The Peoria Gold Mining company met this week and elected the following officers: President, D. E. Kerr; vice-president, A. Campbell; secretary-treasurer, J. Fyfe. The company is operating from properties in the Slokan.

YUKON RAILWAY BILL

It Was Defeated in the Senate Yesterday.

Sir William Van Horne Deprecates the Act—An Interview With the Contractors.

OTTAWA, April 1.—In the senate today a vote was taken on the Stickeen & Teslin Lake railway bill with the result that the measure was thrown out.

The Conservative majority of the senate was firm and gave a solid vote in support of the bill.

YUKON RAILWAY BILL.

Sir William Van Horne Regrets That It Did Not Pass.

MONTREAL, Que., April 1.—Sir William Van Horne spoke as follows yesterday on the senate's rejection of the Yukon railway bill: "I do not wish to be understood as criticising the action of the senate, but am unable to appreciate the reasons that led them to the rejection of the bill, and I regret it because it means the loss of a year at least in affording the urgently needed facilities for supplying the great number of people, who are going to the Yukon country, and in providing for the interests of Canada by the trade in that country, as far as I can see. The only thing that can be done now is to provide for a line by the Chilcot route, if the freedom of that can be secured by arrangements with the United States."

THE CONTRACTORS DISGRUNTLED.

TORONTO, Ont., April 1.—The Mail's Ottawa correspondent had an interview with Mackenzie & Mann, both of whom are at the capital, in regard to the situation arising from the defeat of the Yukon bill.

"I have nothing to say," said Mr. Mackenzie, "the bill is dead and that's the end of it."

Asked as to whether there was any truth in the report that an effort would be made to renew arrangements as a compromise, Mr. Mackenzie replied: "I know nothing about any compromise. What compromise can there be? The bill is defeated and the contract is off. That's all. Good morning."

"Are your men still going on with the work, preparing for the construction of the railway?" asked the interviewer.

"I know nothing about that part of the business," Mr. Mann attends to that and can tell you more than I can. Good afternoon."

The other contractor, Donald D. Mann was, if possible, less communicative. He was asked by your correspondent if the defeat of the bill would mean a cessation of work on the road. "I have nothing to say," replied Mann. "Were you surprised at the large majority in the senate against the bill?" was the next question.

"I have nothing to say," replied the big contractor.

KETTLE RIVER ROAD.

Probable Route by Which Boundary Country Will Be Reached.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 1.—In the Kettle River Valley Railway Charter bill reported yesterday, by the railway committee of the house of commons, there were certain amendments. The most important one reserves to the govern-

SCHOOL OF MINES

It Is Rapidly Assuming Form and Proportion.

ITS A COMMENDABLE PLAN

A Small Fee Is to Be Charged to Prospectors for Instruction Given Them—A Letter Commending the Objects of the Association.

Another meeting in connection with the school of mines was held Friday evening in the Imperial block, when there was a large attendance. Alderman Lalonde, president, was in the chair and explained what had taken place at the previous meeting.

GOVERNMENT SUSTAINED.

Mr. Hume's Motion for a Lack of Confidence Was Lost.

VICTORIA, March 31.—In the budget debate in the legislature today, Mr. Hume moved, seconded by Mr. Foster, the following amendment to the motion for the committee of supply:

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

What Prospectors Should Know.

EDITOR MINER—Sir: In this morning's issue of THE MINER, I notice the report of a meeting held last night, for the formation of a class in mineralogy and other hand it is no less than an extended mining and prospecting experience in many parts of the world. I have found that the average prospector is handicapped by the want of some practical elementary knowledge of mineralogy.

It is the possession of which would enable him to determine the nature and composition of the various rocks and minerals with which he may come in contact. He prospects the various creeks and mountain sides, and, maybe, finds rock, which from its appearance, he has experienced he may be, his hands and eye alone are unable to assist him in forming any but the most haphazard opinion, as to the presence and value of the metals such rock may contain, more especially when several minerals occur in the rock with sulphides, etc., as is usually the case in this district.

His rock may contain values in gold, silver and copper, etc., but he is out in the mountains, and cannot afford the loss of time and the expense which he would incur by having an assay taken of every piece of rock in which he may think there is gold or silver, neither can he collect the same with a view to a future assay, as he has no means of transport.

He may be prospecting for placer gold in the creeks and gulches, and come across black sand. This black sand may be only magnetite, but it may be cassiterite (tin ore). I have seen alluvial tin in Tasmania, closely associated with black sands. Then again the placer gravels may contain rubies, sapphires, zircons, spinels or a slight knowledge of mineralogy and crystallography would enable the prospectors to determine if such were the case. As it is, in the majority of cases, the miner has an eye for nothing but gold, silver, copper, etc., and gives little or no heed to the possible presence of other minerals or gem stones. It is quite a common thing for feldspar, fluor-spar, calcite and similar minerals to masquerade as quartz, and a very slight knowledge of mineralogy is requisite to distinguish one from the other. No great amount of study or practice is required to master a few blow-pipe reactions, and some of the elements of mineralogy and crystallography, and such knowledge can be obtained and successfully applied to determine a list of the reagents and apparatus required to the anyone who is interested in the matter. Any communications addressed to Rossland postoffice will reach me. I am, sir, your truly, C. WALKER.

THE FEAST OF ALL FOOLS

The Practical Joker Was Considerably in Evidence Yesterday.

The Irish Bat—Nickel With a Sore Attachment—A Joker Lost a Big Dollar—War With Spain.

Friday was April 1st or All Fools day, and many traps were set for the unwary wherever they went, and the wags and jokers of the camp had a merry day. As usual on such occasions many were duped by devices that are as old as the hills. In front of the Kootenay hotel, there was placed a box with slats in front and a white cloth cover, which was labeled "An Irish Bat." All day long there were inquisitive individuals who desired to inspect the bird of hibernian extraction and on lifting the cover and looking into the box they saw a red brick "bat." While they were gazing at the red bat, the expectant crowd which had gathered around gave the curious man, woman or child the horse laugh and yelled "April Fool."

In front of the watch-repairing shop of C. A. Burbank, on Columbia avenue, there lay during a portion of the forenoon a nickel. This coin had been brazed to the head of a large screw, and the screw had been driven full length into the sidewalk, where it stuck as firm as a rock. A number came along and tried to pick it up, but failed to accomplish the feat, for the nickel seemed to weigh

CANADA,

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

No. 3.

In the Supreme Court.

In the matter of

O. K. GOLD MINING CO.

Limited Liability, (Foreign). In Liquidation.

The Undersigned Official Liquidator

Will sell by tender,

Subject to ratification by the Court.

The property known as the O. K. Mine and the buildings belonging to the said company. Also the entire mining and milling plant of said company, the whole situated on the south slope of O. K. Mountain, in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay, Province of British Columbia. The claim is surveyed and crown granted and known as the O. K. fraction mineral claim, official number 678. The property is about two and one-half miles west of the city of Rossland and close to the main wagon road and Red Mountain Railroad, both leading from the city of Rossland to Northport in the State of Washington.

The O. K. ore was at first largely free-milling, and to work it the first stamp mill in the district was erected. That mill, a five stamp one, has now been sold, being superseded by the new ten-stamp mill. The O. K. mine has been operated since 1893 and was a producer from the start. From January 14th to June 19th, 1897, 2472 tons of O. K. ore were milled, exclusive of several hundred tons of custom work for adjoining mines. The O. K. property is favorably situated for every mining purpose and for the development of a large custom trade for the mill. The new ten-stamp mill is thoroughly equipped for the economical handling of ore. It is connected with the mine by a 600-foot gravity surface tramway, with 20 wire rope carrying rollers, etc., complete, the elevation of the workings being 200 feet above the mill, one 3-wheel brake, with 650 feet 3/4-inch steel wire rope, two self-dumping ore cars 18-inch gauge. The mill contains two 50-horse power Standard tubular boilers, each containing 54 12-foot tubes, an 85-horse power Corliss engine, one 10-stamp mill, one No. 6 Blake crusher, one grizzly 4 x 10, 3 x 3/4 iron, two Challenge automatic feeders, one overhead Crawl with iron track, one 1-ton Weston differential pulley block, one gold retort, with cover, wedges and condenser pipe, one Rand straight line, class C, 12 x 18 air compressor, capable of running four drills, one 28-inch x 8 feet air receiver, one No. 7 Miller duplex pump, three 6-foot Fraser & Chalmers' Frue vanners, plain belts, one 4-cone hydrometric sizer, one Woodbury concentrator, one bumping table, extra amalgamating plates following concentrating table, and one Fraser & Chalmers' ore sample grinder, etc.

BUILDINGS.—The principal buildings include the following: The new mill building, containing 10-stamp mill, but designed and built to accommodate 25-stamps, engine and boiler house, office building, mess room, cook house and store room, manager's residence, etc.

The development consists of three main tunnels, with one winze and numerous drifts, one shaft down 15 feet, altogether aggregating over 1,500 feet of work, which is entirely confined to one corner of the property, at least two-thirds of the claim being as yet unprospected.

Tenders are now invited for the sale of the property as a whole, including the new 10-stamp mill, the mine, four machine drills and entire plant, machinery and all buildings connected therewith. The liquidator reserves the right to accept or decline any tender, and to withdraw the property from sale at any time, and the further right to fix a reserve price upon the property and to make such other conditions as may meet with the sanction of the court.

The property is open to inspection, but an order for that purpose must be obtained at the office of the liquidator, 3 Imperial Block, Rossland, B. C., where an inventory can be seen and any further information obtained from the undersigned.

TELEGRAPHIC AND CABLE ADDRESS—PLEWMAN, ROSSLAND. Bedford, McNeill's Code.

RICHARD PLEWMAN, OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR.

J. M. MILLER, GEO. N. TAYLOR, M. F. CHESNUT, President and Treasurer. Vice-President. Secretary.

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The Old Gold Quartz and Placer Mining Co.

LIMITED.

Capitalization 1,500,000 Shares, Fully Paid and Non-Assessable. 500,000 Treasury Shares. Par Value \$1 Each.

A Grass Root Proposition. One Hundred Dollar Ore on the Surface.

The officers of the Old Gold Quartz & Placer Mining company take pleasure in announcing to the public, that they have completed the purchase of the famous Silver King and Silver Queen properties of the Lardeau-Duncan country, and that the same have been amalgamated with the already promising properties of the Old Gold company. The Silver King and Silver Queen have two well defined and highly mineralized ledges running through the entire properties, each being over five feet in width. A number of assays have been made from the property, every one of which shows over \$100 in value and one reaches the magnificent sum of \$135.75. Average tract assays across the entire ledge give values of 102-37.

They are located only about one mile from the rich Gaiser creek gold properties, are within three-fourths of a mile of rich placer grounds, are nestled among such well-known mines as the Bad Shot, Silver Cup, Wagner and Hancock Barn groups.

The Old Gold properties now consist of eight claims, comprising about 400 acres of mineral lands) six of which are on the North Fork of the Salmon river, one of the most promising gold producing districts in British Columbia.

The last assays taken from the quartz ledges on this group give the satisfactory results of over \$20 per ton.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING FACTS:

1. A large area of rich mineral lands. 2. Low capitalization. 3. Shipping ore from the surface. 4. Water and timber in abundance. 5. No salaries to any officers until the property becomes Dividend paying. 6. A careful, economical and honest management. 7. The company is out of debt, has money in the treasury, and over 400,000 shares of unsold treasury stock.

The above are some of the reasons why an investment in the shares of the Old Gold Quartz & Placer Mining company at present prices is the most profitable that can be made in British Columbia.

A limited number of shares will be placed on the market at seven and one-half cents. An advance in price will be made soon.

M. F. CHESNUT, Secretary, P. O. Box 145, Rossland, B. C.

AMUSEMENTS AT TRAIL.

Amateurs Entertain Their Friends With Farce and Comedy.

TRAIL, April 1.—[Special.]—The Trail Dramatic company, composed of amateur talent, delighted a large audience at the Hanna opera house last evening, in the comedy, the "Rough Diamond," followed by the farce, "Love Laughs at Locksmiths."

In the comedy the cast of characters consisted of Fred Moore, C. J. Wilkes, E. G. Mundy, W. A. Trousdale, O. E. Smythe, C. M. Brown, Miss Ogden, Mrs. O. J. Wilkes and Miss Sophia Hanna.

In the farce the characters were W. A. Trousdale, Fred Moore, J. M. Worth and Miss Ogden. Other features of the entertainment were comic songs by James M. Worth and a touching ballad by O. B. Williams. After the program the opera house floor was cleared for a dance. The company has provided much amusement for the people of Trail during the winter months, and it is expected that it will appear in Dominion Hall Rossland during the coming week.

Welsh Coal Miners Strike.

LONDON, April 2.—The miners in six South Wales collieries have gone on strike. The strike threatens to be serious. Russia will be the first sufferer.

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The property known as the O. K. Mine and the buildings belonging to the said company. Also the entire mining and milling plant of said company, the whole situated on the south slope of O. K. Mountain, in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay, Province of British Columbia. The claim is surveyed and crown granted and known as the O. K. fraction mineral claim, official number 678. The property is about two and one-half miles west of the city of Rossland and close to the main wagon road and Red Mountain Railroad, both leading from the city of Rossland to Northport in the State of Washington.

The O. K. ore was at first largely free-milling, and to work it the first stamp mill in the district was erected. That mill, a five stamp one, has now been sold, being superseded by the new ten-stamp mill. The O. K. mine has been operated since 1893 and was a producer from the start. From January 14th to June 19th, 1897, 2472 tons of O. K. ore were milled, exclusive of several hundred tons of custom work for adjoining mines. The O. K. property is favorably situated for every mining purpose and for the development of a large custom trade for the mill. The new ten-stamp mill is thoroughly equipped for the economical handling of ore. It is connected with the mine by a 600-foot gravity surface tramway, with 20 wire rope carrying rollers, etc., complete, the elevation of the workings being 200 feet above the mill, one 3-wheel brake, with 650 feet 3/4-inch steel wire rope, two self-dumping ore cars 18-inch gauge. The mill contains two 50-horse power Standard tubular boilers, each containing 54 12-foot tubes, an 85-horse power Corliss engine, one 10-stamp mill, one No. 6 Blake crusher, one grizzly 4 x 10, 3 x 3/4 iron, two Challenge automatic feeders, one overhead Crawl with iron track, one 1-ton Weston differential pulley block, one gold retort, with cover, wedges and condenser pipe, one Rand straight line, class C, 12 x 18 air compressor, capable of running four drills, one 28-inch x 8 feet air receiver, one No. 7 Miller duplex pump, three 6-foot Fraser & Chalmers' Frue vanners, plain belts, one 4-cone hydrometric sizer, one Woodbury concentrator, one bumping table, extra amalgamating plates following concentrating table, and one Fraser & Chalmers' ore sample grinder, etc.

BUILDINGS.—The principal buildings include the following: The new mill building, containing 10-stamp mill, but designed and built to accommodate 25-stamps, engine and boiler house, office building, mess room, cook house and store room, manager's residence, etc.

The development consists of three main tunnels, with one winze and numerous drifts, one shaft down 15 feet, altogether aggregating over 1,500 feet of work, which is entirely confined to one corner of the property, at least two-thirds of the claim being as yet unprospected.

Tenders are now invited for the sale of the property as a whole, including the new 10-stamp mill, the mine, four machine drills and entire plant, machinery and all buildings connected therewith. The liquidator reserves the right to accept or decline any tender, and to withdraw the property from sale at any time, and the further right to fix a reserve price upon the property and to make such other conditions as may meet with the sanction of the court.

The property is open to inspection, but an order for that purpose must be obtained at the office of the liquidator, 3 Imperial Block, Rossland, B. C., where an inventory can be seen and any further information obtained from the undersigned.

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A Grass Root Proposition. One Hundred Dollar Ore on the Surface.

The officers of the Old Gold Quartz & Placer Mining company take pleasure in announcing to the public, that they have completed the purchase of the famous Silver King and Silver Queen properties of the Lardeau-Duncan country, and that the same have been amalgamated with the already promising properties of the Old Gold company. The Silver King and Silver Queen have two well defined and highly mineralized ledges running through the entire properties, each being over five feet in width. A number of assays have been made from the property, every one of which shows over \$100 in value and one reaches the magnificent sum of \$135.75. Average tract assays across the entire ledge give values of 102-37.

They are located only about one mile from the rich Gaiser creek gold properties, are within three-fourths of a mile of rich placer grounds, are nestled among such well-known mines as the Bad Shot, Silver Cup, Wagner and Hancock Barn groups.

The Old Gold properties now consist of eight claims, comprising about 400 acres of mineral lands) six of which are on the North Fork of the Salmon river, one of the most promising gold producing districts in British Columbia.

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A limited number of shares will be placed on the market at seven and one-half cents. An advance in price will be made soon.

M. F. CHESNUT, Secretary, P. O. Box 145, Rossland, B. C.

AMUSEMENTS AT TRAIL.

Amateurs Entertain Their Friends With Farce and Comedy.

TRAIL, April 1.—[Special.]—The Trail Dramatic company, composed of amateur talent, delighted a large audience at the Hanna opera house last evening, in the comedy, the "Rough Diamond," followed by the farce, "Love Laughs at Locksmiths."

In the comedy the cast of characters consisted of Fred Moore, C. J. Wilkes, E. G. Mundy, W. A. Trousdale, O. E. Smythe, C. M. Brown, Miss Ogden, Mrs. O. J. Wilkes and Miss Sophia Hanna.

In the farce the characters were W. A. Trousdale, Fred Moore, J. M. Worth and Miss Ogden. Other features of the entertainment were comic songs by James M. Worth and a touching ballad by O. B. Williams. After the program the opera house floor was cleared for a dance. The company has provided much amusement for the people of Trail during the winter months, and it is expected that it will appear in Dominion Hall Rossland during the coming week.

Welsh Coal Miners Strike.

LONDON, April 2.—The miners in six South Wales collieries have gone on strike. The strike threatens to be serious. Russia will be the first sufferer.

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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Table with 2 columns: Ore type and Amount. Includes War Eagle, Centre Star, Poorman, Iron Mask, Cliff, Velvet, Total.

Following are the ore shipments from the mines adjacent to Rossland from Jan. 1, to April 2, 1898: The ore shipments for the seven days from March 26 to April 1, inclusive, were as follows:

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The shipments for the same period last year aggregated 1,407 tons. The total shipments from the camp since Jan. 1, 1897, aggregate 91,849 tons.

LOCAL TRADE.

The recent discussion anent the granting of the Kettle River Valley Railway charter shows that while the wholesalers of the eastern and Pacific coast cities appreciate the commercial possibilities of the Boundary Creek country, they are slow to do justice to that and other districts in Southern British Columbia. They seem to be of the opinion that the people here should be compelled to trade with them regardless of opportunities to do better elsewhere.

The trade of this district is already great and it is rapidly assuming enormous proportions. The development of the mineral resources here means the opening up of immense opportunities in the ordinary lines of commerce. The Pacific coast or eastern wholesalers and manufacturers who are first to establish branches of their business here can make no mistake. There is now no reason why the jobbing trade of Kootenay and the country to the westward should be done beyond the limits of the district, and there is no question but that those who enter the field will soon enjoy it to the exclusion of outside competitors.

B. C. IN PARIS.

Among the items in the Dominion budget the sum of \$20,000 has been voted for the purpose of preparing an exhibit for the Paris exposition in the year 1900. This is a wise movement, as the Dominion of Canada should have a creditable exhibit of her products at this great show which the people of France are even now making preparation for. It will be an exposition that will attract spectators and sightseers from all quarters of the globe. An interesting collection of articles representing the resources of the Dominion could not fail to attract a great deal of attention, and would be of the utmost benefit as an advertisement. One of the main features of the exhibit of the Dominion should be a display of minerals. It should be representative of all the mining districts of Canada and should be arranged in the most attractive form possible, as a poorly arranged and unattractive display would only result in giving the country a black eye. So it is essential that a meritorious collection of the ores and mineral of this section be made, and as it will require considerable time and no small expenditure of money, we believe that the work

of assembling and arranging this exhibit should be commenced at once. It might be a good plan for the several boards of trade in British Columbia to take up this matter at once, and lay out a plan so that when the time comes for the opening of the big fair in Paris that there may be such an exhibit gathered as will make the whole world wonder at its beauty, extent and variety. It is the intention to make the Paris exposition represent the philosophy and the synthesis of the century and that it shall possess at once grandeur, grace and beauty; that it will reflect the distinct genius of France, and also the main features of the rest of the world. It is estimated that it will cost in the neighborhood of 100,000,000 francs. What the number of visitors will be of course it is impossible to predict. The future can only be judged by the past, and taking the exposition in Paris of 1889 as a criterion it is safe to say that it will reach over 32,000,000, for that was the number that visited the big fair on that occasion. It is very probable, too, that this number will be surpassed, as the intention is to make it more magnificent than the one that was held in 1889. Therefore, it will be obvious to all who are interested in mining, that it will be a profitable investment for British Columbia to have a distinctive and representative exhibition of its metals and ores at the Paris exhibition in the year of our Lord 1900.

THE SENATE.

The Toronto Globe is very angry at the action of the senate in killing the Stickeen-Teein railway bill, and openly advocates the abolition of the upper chamber. It says: There is at last a remarkable development in progress all over Canada. The paltry, miserable, obstructive Canadian policy of the senate may retard and reduce the volume of prosperity, but in spite of the worst that it can do there is a time of splendid advance ahead. It is a time, too, that must make many new calls on government, that must make it very difficult to keep down the expenditure, and nothing better could be done than to wipe out the mischief-making senate and give us for the work of development the great sum of money annually wasted on its maintenance. If the senate had not saved the country a million dollars through its opposition to the Drummond county railway deal, the talk about "evils and abuses" of the upper house might have something in it. If the senate was offering an unreasonable criticism of the Yukon deal there might be some sense in shouting for senate reform. But as the affair stands the upper house has protected, and is still protecting, the country from wrong. Those who desire to found a case against the senate had better accuse that body of something worse than the sin of saving the people from exploiters.

A FOOLISH CRY.

Thousands are leaving England booked for the Klondike. At such a time, when outfits and supplies are in demand, the hide-bound Liberal press with utter disregard for the interests of business, raises the cry that because parliament will not endorse an improvement deal the United States cities are the places in which these necessities can be bought to the best advantage. Canada, let it be remembered, is the great outfitting country. Our merchants have the outfits and the supplies, and what they sell enters the Yukon duty free. United States outfits are dutiable at 30 per cent. The representation that the United States cities are the best depots is as hurtful to the seekers after fortune as it is to our Canadian trade. If believed and acted upon, Klondike immigrants will be taxed and Canadian trade will suffer.

SCIENCE AND MINING.

The interest manifested in the school of mines is very great, and, judging from the large attendance at each session, it will be a great success. All the students are enthusiastic about it. It is true that some of those who attend the lectures already understand considerable geology and mineralogy, but they are willing to increase that knowledge. The majority, however, have studied these sciences in the leaves of nature's great text book and have acquired some knowledge that cannot be found in the library or the class room, viz., practical experience. Still, they seem to realize that they are not fully equipped for the avocations of prospecting and mining, and are anxious to supplement their practical experience with some of the knowledge that cannot be found in the library or the class room, viz., practical experience. Still, they seem to realize that they are not fully equipped for the avocations of prospecting and mining, and are anxious to supplement their practical experience with some of the knowledge that cannot be found in the library or the class room, viz., practical experience. Still, they seem to realize that they are not fully equipped for the avocations of prospecting and mining, and are anxious to supplement their practical experience with some of the knowledge that cannot be found in the library or the class room, viz., practical experience.

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NEWS OF ANDRE.

Carr Has the Details But Wants to Be Paid For Them. VICTORIA, April 5.—Jack Carr, ex-United States mail carrier, arrived at Departure Bay today from St. Michael's via Dawson. He brings advices from Herr Andre, the balloonist, but will not make public the contents of them, and in fact was offering his "story" for sale to the highest bidder. Carr came down on the steamer Centennial. A dispatch from Departure Bay to the Times says: "Jack Carr, the ex-United States mail carrier will not talk without a consideration. This is what I know of him: He left St. Michaels Thanksgiving day with mails and letters also messages from Andre, the balloonist. He left Dawson, March 2. He has 2,000 letters for the United States. He knows the position of every post on the Yukon below Dawson and has copies of two papers published at St. Michaels."

MARKET FEATURES.

The market opened brisk for this week. We have received large orders from the East, but in most instances purchasers offer a less price than holders of stock will take. The demand continues good for War Eagle, Deer Park, Monita, Monte Christo, Con and Virginia. The only reservation stock wanted today was Eureka-North Star, which sold freely at 10 cents and we look forward to an advance in this stock. Canada M. & D. 20. Deer Park.....14 Min. & Dev. Co.....12 Dundee.....75 Pearl.....12 Edgar.....75 Pick.....10 Ellen (silver).....76 Poorman.....125 Bureka North Star.....76 Red Mountain View.....15 G. M. Co.....10 Rossland Star.....15 Evening Star.....8 Rodrick Dham.....15 Good Hope.....5 Salmo Con.....15 Grand Prize.....3 St. Elmo.....65 High Ore.....15 Silver Bear.....10 Iron Cook.....15 Surprise.....125 Le Roi.....20 Twin.....25 Lily May.....20 Virginia.....25 Lone Pine.....15 White Bird.....2 Monita.....19 Noble Three (silver).....10

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We offer today subject to sale the following snaps: 500 Le Roi.....7.50 1,000 Red Mt. View.....24 2,000 Centre Star.....25 500 White Bear.....12 2,000 M. Christo Con-19 1,500 Tex.....12 1,000 Jim Blaine.....41 5,000 Zlor.....34 300 Iron Mask.....49 10,000 Palo Alto.....2 400 Republic.....\$2.25

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SCHOOL OF MINES

More Than Sixty Members Attended the Opening Session.

MUCH INTEREST SHOWN

Edwin Durant of the B. A. O. Heartily Indorses the Movement, and mentions the Undoubted Interest and Support of Mr. Whitaker Wright.

If the attendance at the opening session of the School of Mines of Rossland may be accepted as a criterion, its ultimate success will be a result of which its promoters may be justly proud.

Mr. Durant, as chairman, spoke of the advantages the school offered, especially to the miner and prospector, in enabling them to obtain a thorough knowledge of the minerals of the country in which they reside.

Mr. Durant said he was aware that certain mine owners of the camp had offered assistance in making the school a success, and he would state with all confidence, on behalf of the British America corporation, that that institution would give hearty and substantial support to a cause so commendable, as the managing director in London, Whitaker Wright, being a thorough practical mining man, would certainly give his support to so worthy an institution, and thus further the mining industry in a country in which the British America corporation had so large a stake.

As we have, in organizing this school, located our claim and are engaged in developing it, we should apply to the government, with strong probability of recognition from that source.

Further, he spoke of the addition to the camp in the near future of practical and scientific men, and he no doubt that Mr. Carlyle and Mr. McDonald would cheerfully give the school an occasional lecture.

Mr. Durant referred to the great credit due the officers of the school for their interest in its organization, and thought that every citizen of Rossland should aid in its advancement.

Mr. Hastings commenced the course of lectures with the study of geology, in which he gave an interesting description of the various rocks, their position and peculiarities, and passed around a sample of each, from the valuable collection of Mr. Liljegrän, kindly lent for the occasion for the benefit of the students.

At the close of the lecture Mr. Lalonde, as president, spoke of the general usefulness of such an institution, and expressed particular pleasure at the large attendance. He was satisfied that its membership would increase so rapidly that the government would soon appreciate the necessity of assisting it, as a member of the board of trade and city council, he felt that he could assure the school of a hearty co-operation of his colleagues in any measure tending to promote its progress.

Before adjournment a vote of thanks was extended to Messrs. Durant, Lalonde and Hastings and the officers generally. There were ladies present at the meeting, and doubtless on future occasions many additional representatives of the fair sex may decide to enroll themselves as members.

The next lecture will be delivered on Wednesday evening when definite arrangements will be determined upon as to future meetings.

Hotel Arrivals.

The following were the arrivals at the International hotel, Greenwood, during the week: John Lind, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Murray, J. Keisley, F. W. McLaine, F. M. Kirby, R. Stuart, F. Harry, Grand Forks; G. W. Leyson, Enterprise; James Kelly, Rock Creek; J. W. Frost, Oakland, Cal.; J. B. Breslau, San Francisco; F. B. Smith, Nottingham, Eng.; A. Faeh, Waterville, Wash.; W. E. Williams, Rossland; M. McLean, Brooklyn Mine; A. M. Fritzsche, Greenwood Camp; Joseph L. Wiseman, C. L. Bellers, Grand Forks; John Buff, Buffalo, Ill.; S. A. Nelson, Austin, Tex.; G. S. Lightfoot, Spokane; Sydney M. Johnson, Rossland; Mrs. J. F. Hemenway, Spokane; J. M. Healey, Boise, Idaho; James Atchinson, Frantz, Mechlun, Deadwood; J. Jamieson, Chadron, Neb.; J. W. Wilbur, Anaconda; H. Younger, Dixie, Idaho.

Church of England Library.

Rev. Mr. Irwin has inaugurated a card system for those who take advantage of the public library in the Church of England. Under former conditions half the books were never returned, and even now more than 200 volumes are missing. Some of the more thoughtful have returned borrowed books from Revelstoke, Nelson and elsewhere. The library is much appreciated, and Rev. Mr. Irwin asks persons having old books to donate to notify him in order that they may be sent for.

COUNTY COURT.

A Small Docket, and Very Quickly Disposed Of. County court opened in Masonic hall Tuesday, with a smaller docket than there has been for a long time. There were no cases of importance, and speedy disposition was made of those called. The action of Davies vs. Le Roi was continued until May 17. The other cases called were Corsan vs. Dempster, dismissed. Hunter Bros. vs. O'Connell, continued. Hunter Bros. vs. O'Farrell, continued. Clabon vs. Lawry, settled out of court.

Campbell vs. Old Flag Gold Mining company, struck off with costs. Herman vs. Kootenay Brewing company, continued. Dundee Gold Mining company vs. J. G. Bell, settled.

Wright vs. Weeks, continued. O'Hearn vs. Barford & Tivich, continued. Harrington vs. Frome, continued. Hamill vs. Booth & Mills, continued. Hunter Bros. vs. Langley, continued. Joseph vs. Le Roi Gold Mining & Smelting company, continued until next court or until judgment on appeal. Costs to plaintiff.

W. H. Bell vs. Le Roi Gold Mining & Smelting company, non-suit with costs. Court will convene at 10:30 this morning.

OF A LEGAL NATURE

Important Announcements in the B. C. Gazette.

Municipalities Which Desire to Borrow Money in Anticipation of Current Revenues.

The British Columbia Gazette contains a number of matters of interest this week, dealing with municipal by-laws, the borrowing of money for municipal expenses and other notices of interest. By-laws referring to municipalities and districts have been passed as follows:

Authorizing the district of Langley to borrow the sum of \$500 at a rate of interest not in excess of 8 per cent in anticipation of the revenues to be received during the year 1898.

By the city of Sandon, making it unlawful for any boy or girl under 16 years of age to be on the public highways or in any public place between the hours of 9 p. m. and 6 a. m., unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.

By the city of Sandon, a by-law prescribing regulations for the preservation of the public health, and the appointment of a health officer.

The city of Nanaimo, requiring all fire insurance companies carrying on business within the city limits to pay an annual license of \$25.

By the city of Nanaimo, providing for a tax of \$1 on each dog and \$2 on each bitch, and for the impounding of unlicensed dogs.

By the district of Langley, providing for a municipal cemetery and its management.

By the city of Nelson, providing for a tax levy of six mills upon all lands on the assessment rolls, a rebate of one-sixth is made if paid before August 31, 1898. The improvements on such lands are exempt from taxation during the current year, except by special rate.

By the city of Nanaimo, authorizing the corporation to borrow the sum of \$12,000 at a rate not in excess of 6 per cent, and repayable out of the current revenues, on or before December 31, 1898.

By the city of Nanaimo, amending the trade license by-law so as to impose taxes as follows: Bankers, \$150 per annum; gas, telephone, electric street railway or tramway companies and fur dealers, \$100 per annum; investment and loan societies, \$25 per annum, such licenses being payable semi-annually.

By the city of Victoria, respecting the expenditure and management of city revenues, and showing the estimates of the expenditures for the current year to be \$389,988.76.

By the city of Victoria, respecting the weight and sale of bread, and requiring that all bread sold must be in the shape of loaves of one pound and a half or three pounds, avoirdupois weight. The price charged must be at a rate per pound, one ounce light weight be allowed for all bread 24 hours old.

Applications to purchase lands have been made as follows:

E. E. Bell, 160 acres adjoining the townsite of Glenora, on Stickeen river.

Wm. B. McLean, 40 acres on the west bank of Elk river, about four miles above Coal creek, in southern division of East Kootenay.

G. G. E. Raley, 160 acres in Kitamat valley, in the coast district.

J. D. McAllister, 64 acres in the southern division of East Kootenay, on the west bank of Elk river, about five miles above Coal creek.

Joseph Tremblay, 160 acres on the east side of Stickeen river, at Little canyon.

Notices are given of applications for certificates of improvements for the purpose of obtaining crown grants, as follows:

By George D. Leyson, for the Anchor mineral claim, in the Kettle River division.

By Oliver Bourdeau, for the Young Dominion mineral claim, in Nelson Mining division.

By George D. Leyson, for the Enterprise Fractional claim, in Kettle River division.

By Seth Emersen and J. A. Cameron, for the Lakeside Fractional mineral claim, in Kettle River division.

By W. D. Sprague and John S. Parker, for the Oro, Almo and Kaslo mineral claims, in the Slocan mining division.

By Richard Power, for the Gold Dollar No. 1, on Rock creek, Trail Creek district.

The following extra provincial companies have been authorized to do business in the province:

The French Creek Mining company of Milwaukee, Wis. The capital stock is \$200,000. The head office of the company is located at Revelstoke, and G. M. Sprague is the solicitor.

The N. C. Exploration Syndicate of England, with a capital of \$25,000. The head office of the company is at Kaslo, and Leo A. Scowden is the attorney for the company.

C. M. Edwards, assessor and collector for the southern division of East Kootenay, gives notice that the provincial revenue tax and all taxes levied under the assessment act are now payable. The provincial revenue tax is \$3 per capita. G. L. Lennox has made application to the benchers for call to the bar.

FROM OTHER CAMPS

Marked Increase in the Development of Properties.

MUCH NEW MACHINERY

The Various Districts Are Full of Activity, and Are Interesting Foreign Capital in the Development of their Mines—General News Notes.

The general progress and development of Kootenay is indicated in every district by the continuous working of properties and the addition of machinery. All through the Nelson and Ymir district, the Ainsworth, Trout Lake and Lardereau, properties are being opened and attract attention by the rich showings. Reports from the various districts indicate what may be expected during the coming season.

SLOCAN DIVISION.

A dividend is promised by the Antoinette next month. The ore being shipped is high grade, and about eight carloads will be exported in April.

The new machinery at the Jackson mines will be in running shape by April 15.

Eight inches of high grade ore were struck last week on the Mary Durham, adjoining the Mollie Jones group, close to New Weaver. Considerable work has been done on the property, and mined parties are endeavoring to purchase it.

A half interest in the Good-enough workings has been purchased by the Keco company.

The mines around Sandon shipped 20,239 tons of ore.

The Argo has been leased by W. Warner for two years. Work has commenced.

Now that spring is advancing several of the properties on Four Mile creek are increasing their forces. As a result business is reviving in Silverton.

Bruce White states that the Slocan Star mill will resume operations about April 15. The mill and mine will then be run to their full capacity.

Cash has been paid down, and the two-thirds interest in the Whitewater mine, owned by J. C. Eaton and W. C. Price, has passed into the hands of the English company, represented here by J. R. Robertson, and subsidiary to the London & B. O. Goldfields.

The Idaho is taking out 40 tons of ore per day.

The men at present working on the Noble Five are engaged cleaning out the levels and stopes, and getting everything in shape for the resumption of general operations.

Williamson, Holtz and Byron have resumed work on the Fidelity.

The Ruth is taking out some very high grade ore at present.

Work will be recommenced on the Alpha group, close to Silverton, as soon as the snow goes. This large property has been lying idle for years, owing to the failure of the owners.

Twenty tons of ore is on the dump of the Kaispell, on Ten Mile creek, ready for shipment. Ore previously shipped gave smelter returns of 437 ounces in silver. Four men are working this property.

Three inches of solid galena has been struck on the Westmont, opposite the Enterprise, on Ten Mile. This property is owned by Gorman West and Frank Griffiths, and the latter has over 300 feet of tunneling single handed.

Twenty-five men are working constantly on the Comstock, on Four Mile.

A 100-foot tunnel has been driven north and south to strike the vein, and west lead on the Ottawa. It is expected to strike the lead at a depth of 150 feet.

The Enterprise mine has 600 tons of ore at its landing on Slocan lake and is working a force of 30 men.

A big strike is reported on the Columbia mine near Slocan City, running 433 ounces silver and \$31 in gold.

About 1,000 tons of ore are on the wharf at Ten Mile, awaiting advance in the price of silver before being shipped.

The Chappell mine report that the property is in a very satisfactory condition. The ledge shows an average width of four feet with a pay streak of from 10 to 20 inches. The values, both in gold and silver, are as good if not better than those of the carload shipments made last fall and winter to the Nelson smelter. All the smelter returns gave over \$100 in gold and the silver value has been sufficient to pay the mine.

The Nichol brothers and Malcolm Cameron are doing development work on the Noble Four claim, which is located one mile below Lemon creek near the railroad. The property has a 12 foot ledge and a very good surface showing.

W. H. Beamish and Dan Hanlon have inspected the Joe Bailey mineral claim on Lemon creek, adjoining the Chester, of which Mr. Beamish is the owner. The property has a ledge measuring from three to four feet in width.

Active development work will soon be started by the British Columbia Mineral Properties, limited, with R. White as manager, on the Bear's Nest and Silver Tip claims, which are located on the government trail three and a half miles south of Slocan City.

Dividends speak loudly in London, and as a result there is an increasing demand for the silver properties of Kootenay. The most recent dividend declared is that of the Ruth Mines, limited, which will pay 3 shillings per share, and carries forward £7,000 out of a profit of date of £21,000. A further issue of 5,000 shares was offered and eagerly accepted by the shareholders.

REVELSTOKE AND TROUT LAKE.

Darby & Errington, owners of the Iron Hand group at Albert canyon have sent seven sacks of ore as a test to the Nelson smelter. It is a galena proposition.

News has been received of several rich strikes on Trout lake properties. On the Free Coinage a ledge of 14 inches of fine ore has been struck.

On the Ottawa, a Lardereau creek claim, ore is being taken out, an average assay of which gives 400 ounces silver, \$33 in gold, and 10 per cent copper.

On the Mountain View and Blue Jay,

at the head of Silver Tip creek, from eight to 10 inches of clean ore is exposed.

A deal on the Lone Star, on Lexington creek, was made the other day when Edward Crockett disposed of the claim to J. A. Magee for \$1,500 cash.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

Plans are being prepared for the erection of a large concentrator at the Whitewater mine. The question of a tramway will be deferred. There is the sum of \$75,000 in the treasury of the company for the working of the property and the purchase of required machinery. The Whitewater mine is removing its head office from Kaslo to Nelson.

It is said a deal is on for the Hootalinika claim at Whitewater.

NELSON DIVISION.

T. C. Collins and his partner are continuing the long crosscut tunnel on the Lizzie C., about 3 1/2 miles south of Nelson. The tunnel is in over 300 feet, and signs of mineral are appearing, showing that the ledge is near.

Enough ore is blocked out in the Porto Rico group to last for two years.

Work on the Dundee tramway is being rushed.

Returns have been received from Tacoma of the last carload of concentrates sent out by the Fern mine, showing the same to carry \$60.78 per ton in gold.

The B. O. Goldfields, limited, have perfected plans for the immediate purchase and installation of a 40-stamp mill upon the Ymir mine.

Enough ore is now in sight to keep the stamps busy for months. The ore is easy to treat.

On the Blue Bird, on Wild Horse, a lead 80 feet wide has been uncovered. The values run about \$19 in gold and silver. A tunnel is in 70 feet. The Spirit claim adjoining has been developed by a tunnel of 75 feet and has the same showing. On Maus creek, two shifts are working on the Cliff and Kingston.

James McCreath has a force of men at work on the Delight, situated on Road mountain. There has been 220 feet of tunnel work done on this property, and a well defined ledge has been struck four feet wide which gives assays as high as \$53 in gold and copper.

Work will soon be commenced on the Fairmount. There has been a good deal of development work done on this property.

E. Peters and Sam Gibson are at present doing assessment work on their claim, the Birthday, situated on the south slope of Road mountain.

H. A. McClure, manager of the Salmon River and Porcupine Mining company has a force of men at present working on the Rainy Day No. 1 and 2 claims. He will also put a force of men to work on Spotted Horse, which property he recently bought.

The hoisting machinery for the Tamarack has been received and is now being placed in order at the mine.

Ralph White, M. E., of Trail was in Ymir during the week looking after his interest in the Hancock group, which adjoins the Big Patch. From this property some very good assays have been obtained, and as soon as the snow disappears men will be put to work.

THE BOUNDARY COUNTRY.

A new free milling camp has been located two and a half miles from Grand Forks. Surface showings are encouraging.

Jack Smith is producing good ore now from the Brady on Pathfinder mountain, this property having lately attracted an unusual amount of attention.

The Minnehaha at Camp McKinney is reported to be looking well and that arrangements are being made to install a large compressor plant on this property at once.

The Golden Crown in Wellington camp is now working two shifts of 10 hours each, with good results.

The amount of assessed value of Greenwood city, according to the assessment roll just completed is \$251,895, an increase of \$47,000 over the assessment of 1897.

The assessment is being done on the City View, in Skylark camp.

The incline shaft on the Snowshoe, in Greenwood camp, is down 100 feet.

Several North Fork miners' claims are being surveyed with a view of crown granting.

A rich strike is reported to have been made on the Lenbrook claim in Deadwood camp. This property adjoins the Mother Lode and the ledge is said to be over 50 feet in width, and carries ore identical to that found on the Mother Lode lead. A 50-foot tunnel and 30-foot shaft comprises the work already done on the claim.

The Monte Cristo and Monte Carlo, in Greenwood camp, have been bonded by T. Roderick to J. Lucy, and four men have been to work on the property.

Work has been commenced on the Minnie and Golden Horn on Pass creek, of which George P. Spindler is the owner. A 150-foot tunnel is already run on these properties.

A 30-foot tunnel is being run on the Summit claim in Summit camp. This property belongs to W. A. Corbett.

The Standard claim in Greenwood camp is being surveyed.

Cabins are being erected and other preparations made for the commencement of development work on the Sunset claim in Deadwood camp.

BAST KOOTENAY.

Tom Jones has sold the Bobtail and G. B. McDermott has sold the B. 4 claim at Spillimacheen to Henry Croft of Victoria for \$1,000 for each claim.

W. G. Mitchell-Innes will return to Golden shortly and will then push the work on the Pretty Girl claim and Windermere for the London syndicate for whom he is acting.

Established a Collection Department.

The Dominion Express company has established a collection department in connection with the American and Canadian express companies. The rates for collections are low. They are as follows: For \$3 and under, 13 cents; from \$5 to \$10, 16 cents; from \$10 to \$20, 20 cents; from \$20 to \$30, 22 cents; from \$30 to \$40, 25 cents; from \$40 to \$50, 28 cents; from \$50 to \$60, 35 cents; from \$75 to \$100, 40 cents.

For the quarter ending March 31 there were 116 mineral locations in this district, and assessment work was done on 135 claims.

Rossland Mining Market DICKINSON & ORDE,

P. O. Box, 631. ROSSLAND, B. C. Codes: A B C, Clough's, etc. BANKERS: Cable Address: "Dickinson." Bank of British North America. Bank of Montreal. Merchants Bank of Halifax.

THERE IS NOTHING that evidences the solidity of the Rossland mining market more than the continued firmness characterizing its standard stocks in face of the troubled markets of the United States. In fact nearly all of the leading stocks evince a decided upward tendency, such as Monte Christo, Deer Park, War Eagle, etc.

THE KLONDYKE FEVER Is fast abating, and the rush of capital and labor is turning towards the Kootenays.

THE NEW ROUTE Now being surveyed along the Salmon river valley in order to place Rossland on the main line of the C. P. R. will not only create greater values for our properties but will enhance the worth of solid mining ventures on its way. In this connection we confidently place before the public as an investment well worthy of their attention.

THE SALMO CONSOLIDATED Whose figure is now 15c. The annual accounts of this company are published in this week's issue. Similarly the race for railroad construction in the Boundary country will ere long place its possibilities prominently on the markets. Here we would recommend.

BRANDON & GOLDEN CROWN At 25c. 300 feet of tunnel have been excavated and a shaft is being rapidly sunk to meet it. It is estimated that \$800,000 worth of ore is in sight.

OUR SNAPS. 3,000 Noble Five, 17 1/2c; 10,000 Smuggler, 17c; 10,000 Grand Prize, 2c; 7,000 Josie, 28c; 3,000 Mugwump, 5c; 200 Dundee, 44c; 1,000 Cariboo, 58c; 400 I. X. L., 2c; 500 Big Three, 3c; 1,000 Ellen (Slocan) 6c; 1,500 Good Hope, 3 1/2c; 1,000 St. Elmo, 6c; 1,000 Iron Colt, 9 1/2c; 1,000 St. Joe, 2 1/2c; 2,200 Le Roi, 47 1/2c; 800 Kaslo Montezuma, 20c; 5,000 Tinhorn, 24c; 5,000 Monte Christo Con., 20c; 5,000 Deer Park, 13 1/2c.

BUY DEER PARK.

The Stock Market Latest information furnished weekly by M. E. DEMPSTER & CO.

(One of the oldest established firms in Rossland.) ESTABLISHED 1895. P. O. Box 25. 43 East Columbia Ave., Rossland, B. C. CODES: A B C, Moreing & Neil's, and Clough's. Cable Address: "MEDOC."

We offer the following inducements this week subject as usual to previous sale: 5,000 Deer Park, 13 1/2c; 4,000 Monte Christo, 19 1/2c; 2,000 Big Three, 7 1/2c; 6,000 Northern Belle, 4 1/2c; 2,000 Mugwump, 4 1/2c; 2,000 Deer Park, 13 1/2c; 500 Iron Mask, 41c; 2,000 Josie, 28 1/2c; 60,000 Copper Giant, \$250; 3,500 Good Hope, 3 1/2c; 2,800 Noble Five, 17 1/2c; 3,000 Tom Payne Con. 3 1/2c; 5,000 Grand Prize, 2 1/2c.

EVENTS HAVE PROVED That the suggestions we gave our clients in the matter of certain stocks were worthy of acceptance, such stocks as Deer Park, War Eagle and Salmo Consolidated having increased in value as we anticipated. The report of the last named, which is given to the public this week, should create confidence in this stock, which we have continually recommended as being a gilt edge investment. The company is, while young, showing a careful and progressive management, and we fully anticipate the price of its shares to steadily creep up, as the properties have unquestionably a magnificent showing. There has been abundance of proof given that such stocks as these we commend are the sure means of money making, and the most cautious should hardly hesitate, when so few risks are to be taken.

Our market letter will be sent to all those who send their addresses, and holders of all stocks we invite to correspond with us, if desirous of realizing. We are now receiving continued inquiries from the "old country," showing that the English public are awakening to the opportunities of this district.

Provincial Legislature. VICTORIA, April 5.—The legislature today finally adopted the estimates. The only notable discussion was the item for the agent-general's office in London, which the leader of the opposition, Mr. Semlin, moved to strike out. The conduct of the office and the recent charge by Mr. McPherson that it is carried on like a "harem" were debated with some warmth, and Dr. Walker announced that he intended to move for a committee of investigation. The amendment was lost on a division of 11 to 17.

Private bills were next taken up and in the Arrowhead & Kootenay bill an amendment was inserted on motion of Mr. McPherson prohibiting the employment of Chinese or Japanese.

Telegraphic and Cable Address. Use Clough's and Bedford McNeill's Codes. RICHARD PLEWMAN, Rossland. Mining Broker.

STOCK QUOTATIONS. Arlington, 19; Kettle River, 15; Athabasca, 26; Keynote, 25; Butte, 2; Lerwick, 15; B. C. Gold Fields, 0; Masco, 15 1/2; Cariboo, C. McK., 60; Mayflower, 23; Cariboo-Rambler, 26; Montana, 13 1/2; Columbia, 20 1/2; Monte Christo, 19 1/2; Cumberland, 5; Noble Five, 17 1/2; Dardanelles, 12; Noble Three, 10; Dayton, 8; Northern Belle, 4 1/2; Deer Park, 13 1/2; Old Gold & P., 8; Delacoe, 10; Palo Alto, 500, 3 1/2; Diamond Dust, 1; Red Mountain View, 6; Early Bird, 2; Republic, 10; East St. Louis, 3 1/2; Roderick Dhu, 4 1/2; Bureks Con., 3 1/2; Rossland Green Mt., 25; Fenning Star, 5,000; 5; Rossland M. & D. Co., 5; Federal, 0; 0; Royal Gold, 0; Fern, 0; 0; Royal Five, 3 1/2; Great Western, 9; Salmo Consolidated, 5; Good Hope, 3 1/2; Smuggler, Fairview 17 1/2; Golden Cache, 8; St. Elmo, 6; Grand Prize, 2 1/2; Silverline, 8; Iron Colt, 500, 11; Tom Thumb, 7 1/2; Joe Family, 4 1/2; White Bird, 2 1/2; Ivanhoe, 5,000, 2; Wanda & Trail, 5; Josie, 28 1/2; 28; Winnipeg-Bureks, 5; Le Roi, 47 1/2; 47 1/2; White Bird, 2 1/2.

Also the following snaps: 5,000 Arlington, 19; 10,000 Comstock Re- 10,000 Dardanelles, 12; 1,000 Jim Blaine, 42; 5,000 Noble Five, 17 1/2; 1,000 Jim Blaine, 42; 10,000 Bean Pot, 3 1/2; 5,000 Athabasca, 25; 1,000 Le Roi, 47 1/2; 250 Deer Park, 13 1/2; 1,000 Smuggler Fair- 3,500 Good Hope, 3 1/2; View, 17 1/2; 5,000 Early Bird, 2 1/2; 5,000 Yule, 5,000; 5,000 Tinhorn, 24; 5,000 Canadian G. F., 8.

List your stocks with me; then they will not hang fire. WANTED. Deer Park, Mugwump, Big Three. RICHARD PLEWMAN. P. O. Box 758, Rossland, B. C.

MARKET FEATURES. Mugwump is about all picked up in this market. Orders keep coming in for this stock but it cannot be had for the price offered. A large block would probably net the owner 4 1/2 cents. We can place it. Who has it?

Deer Park, Monte Christo, Good Hope, Le Roi, Athabasca, Noble Five, Arlington and Iron Mask are their principal sellers. War Eagle is in

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broken down, weak, debilitated and suffering men and women will not have the capacity to appreciate the mercies so bountifully bestowed.

liver complaint, nervous prostration, agonizing dyspepsia or blood diseases, Paine's Celery Compound is able to make you whole and well.

and their kindly words in favor of Paine's Celery Compound should be a guarantee of success to you.

MCDONALD RESIGNS

As Inspector of Mines and Enlists With the B. A. C.

TWO DEER PARK ASSAYS

Excellent Values in Gold, Silver and Copper From the New Northport Smelter-Making Preparations For Shipment.

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THE DEER PARK.

Two Assays Received From the Northport Smelter.

Rumors of a second strike on the Deer Park have been current the past few days, but are denied by Manager Mulholland.

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THE CROW'S NEST RAILWAY EXTENSION.

No opportunity should be overlooked by Rossland to impress upon the management of the C. P. R., the advisability of constructing its Crow's Nest Pass extension from Goat river to the Columbia river via the Summit creek-Sayward-Trail route.

The survey of the Nelson line is an extremely tortuous route, winding along the west shore of Kootenay lake and following the southern side of the west arm of that body of water to Five Mile point, where its further progress is practically blocked by the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway right of way, which cannot be used by the C. P. R. except Mr. Corbin is disposed to make such a great concession to his competitor.

If the C. P. R. decides to leave Nelson to the north of its main line through the southern portion of the district, that town will suffer no particular inconvenience. Nelson would still have access to the Crow's Nest railway by two routes, one via water to Goat river and the other via rail to Robson.

It is not saying too much to predict that if the southern route can be utilized, Rossland, in five years, will be a city of 50,000 inhabitants.

THE TRUCK ACT.

The Kaelo Kootenian raises its voice against the passage of the Kellie Truck Act, which is now pending before the legislative assembly. In its efforts to make a point against the measure and to support the contention that it should not be adopted, in the local columns of the paper, among other things, says that "The Truck Act was unanimously disapproved at the recent meeting of the Kootenay Mining Protective association. It is a copy of an old English statute of 1831, or some other remote period, perhaps of the days of William the Conqueror, and the discussion showed plainly that it had no place in this day or age."

The reporter and editor of the Kootenian must have mixed up their kings considerably. William the Conqueror reigned in England from the year 1066 until 1087. He established the Domesday book and allowed no one else to plunder except himself, but his time was scarcely so advanced as to allow the passage of an act similar to the Truck Act, like that introduced in the local legislature in the last years of the nineteenth century.

same sort of retrogression that the Kellie Truck Act has now been introduced in the Provincial legislature. The rights of the weak against the selfish aggressions of the strong must needs be hedged around by such enactments in order to protect them. To the contention that the act has no place in this day and age the reply is that acts similar in character and general tenor have been adopted in several of the states of the American Union and in other countries, and are just as essential today as they were at the time when the first enactment of this kind was made.

By its action in this matter, just prior to the meeting of parliament, the executive council practically pledged the Liberal party to an unequivocal support of the measure. The action of the senate is not so much a party move by the Conservatives as it is a well-merited rebuke to the Laurier administration for attempting to "railroad" through parliament the most important piece of legislation arising this session.

The question now is, what course will Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his fellow ministers pursue? There are several avenues open to them. It is generally felt that the Stickeen-Teslin railway would be a decided benefit to Canadian trade if built this year, and it is just possible that a compromise may be effected between the Cabinet and the Conservative majority of the senate, by which the objectionable features of the bill may be eliminated and the construction of the road carried on forthwith.

The Spokane papers are inclined to take issue with the contention of THE MINER that Rossland is the cheapest and best place in which to purchase the stocks of mines of this and adjoining camps. This contention of THE MINER is borne out by all the facts in the case. There are no stocks in the Kootenay district, that are more dealt in than are those of the mines of the Trail Creek division. The head offices of most of the mining companies operating here are extra-provincial companies, whose principal offices are situated outside of the Province, they are compelled by the laws of British Columbia to maintain an office and to have an attorney to represent them here.

It is probably too much to hope that the killing of the Stickeen-Teslin railway bill will have the effect of allaying to any great extent the Klondike craze in Eastern Canada. It is hoped, however, for the good of the country that it will, and that the undivided attention of the investing public and the more adventurous opportunities for money making that exist in Kootenay. If this action of the senate results in directing Klondike travel to Kootenay, those who are thus influenced will not have to live long to bless the day when the Mackenzie-Mann scheme was completely upset.

THE CUBAN CRISIS.

The dispatches this morning indicate that the United States and Spain are nearer to a conflict than they have been since the first talk of trouble. The situation in brief is that the United States submitted an ultimatum to Spain demanding that hostilities cease in Cuba and that the island be given its independence. The reply of Spain is evasive and unsatisfactory. It expresses no regret for the loss of the Maine, and offers to leave the matters at issue between the two nations to arbitration. It is a plain refusal to comply with the terms of the ultimatum, although there is an attempt to diplomatically wiggle out of the situation. It may be that Spain makes this offer in the hope of securing a modification of the terms of the ultimatum. It is certain that President McKinley and his advisers feel that they have exhausted all means at their disposal to bring about a peaceful solution of the Cuban imbroglio, and now regard war as certain. The only loophole through which Spain can find herself entangled lies in the fact that both houses of Congress have adjourned in order to give President McKinley an opportunity

to prepare a message in which he will lay the whole matter and situation before Congress with certain recommendations. It is almost certain that he will favor intervention on behalf of the Cubans, and this is certain to be followed by war. At the eleventh hour, between the present writing and the time that McKinley delivers his message to Congress, there is a remote possibility that the Spanish may come to their senses and accede to the demands of the United States. The Spanish government in this matter is between the devil and the deep sea, and in any event, she is certain to lose Cuba. If she accedes to the demands of the ultimatum of the United States, it will result in the freedom of Cuba. If war is declared it is certain that the Pearl of the Antilles will be torn from her grasp by the hands of soldiers wearing the uniforms of the United States and the Cuban insurgents. In this case it would seem that her statesmen would choose the lesser of two evils and comply with the terms of the ultimatum.

Of the ultimate outcome of this conflict there is one certainty, and that is Spain will be hopelessly beaten. The Spanish soldier on land is, at best, only a second class fighter, while on the sea he is a complete failure. In all the conflicts that Spain has had on the water (and the bulk of the coming battles with the Americans will be fought on the ocean), she has always been ignominiously beaten, and it is palpable that history will repeat itself in the present instance. While we deeply regret that such a condition of affairs has come to pass it is manifest that the fault lies principally with Spain, for the reason that she seems to lack the ability to govern her colonies, and one by one, they have wrested from her. The minute that she declares war against the United States she means that she will have lost the last of her possessions on this side of the Atlantic and when the conflict is over the only country over which she can exercise sovereign power will be on the other side of the ocean.

As cousin-germans of the Americans we sincerely hope they will win and feel certain that they will do so. In this dispute the American people do not desire to acquire Cuba, as the fight will be for humanity and not for territory.

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against the Turner administration, and should not thus go out of its way to injure the credit of the Province.

With the lapse of time it becomes more apparent that Rossland is destined to be a place of great commercial importance, both as regards retail business and as a jobbing center. The opportunities for success here in the ordinary channels of business are far superior to those of other towns in the district is best evidenced by the fact that within the last six months nearly a dozen mercantile houses that were firmly established and doing fairly well at nearby points have transferred the base of their operations to Rossland. In each instance the soundness of their judgment is verified by a decided improvement of their business prospects. Among those who have taken this step during the past six months may be mentioned the Mac Machine company, the Columbia Bottling works, one clothing house and a fruit store, formerly of Trail; Stein & Co., the wholesale liquor dealers, and S. J. Mighton & Co., wholesale tobacco dealers, formerly of Nelson; M. J. O'Hearn's clothing house, formerly of Sandon, and the large dry goods house owned by the Crescent company, formerly of Kaslo. The very encouraging business outlook for Rossland is attracting other merchants, and there is every reason to believe that before the close of the present year, the volume of retail and jobbing business of this city will have assumed very extensive proportions.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Owing solely to the fact that the Kootenays paid such an enormous sum into the public treasury last year, Premier Turner in his budget speech the other day was enabled to make an excellent showing of the marked increase of the prosperity of this Province during that period.

The resignation of D. J. McDonald from the position of inspector of metalliciferous mines will necessitate the appointment of another man to the position. Once again THE MINER strongly urges the authorities at Victoria to nominate a Kootenay miner for the office.

The people of Rossland are becoming impatient at the delay of the C. P. R. in improving its train service to this city. They are anxious to see the Columbia & Western railway widened to a standard gauge, or the proposed Murphy Creek line built without further delay.

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THERE seems to be out little hope for the cause of silver in India. It is almost a foregone conclusion that the commission appointed by the Imperial parliament to inquire into the practicability of the Indian government's proposals for a gold monetary standard will recommend such a course.

It is reported on good authority that Price Ellison, owner of one of the largest ranches in the Okanagan valley, will contest East Yale in the Government interest at the approaching Provincial elections. Mr. Ellison is exceedingly popular in his district and is almost certain to be elected if he becomes a candidate.

MR. KELLIE, the member of the legislative assembly for this district, is not far wrong when he declares that if work in the mines are to be taxed \$5 per annum for so doing, it would be only fair to impose the same condition on every male resident of the Province over 18 years of age. The tax as it stands is an outrageous discrimination.

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Penobscia mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: Near the source of Stony Creek, northeast of Rossland. Take notice that I, William Bauer, acting as agent for Charles Newson, certificate No. 16,284, A. J. Stark, certificate No. 6,364, James Byrne, certificate No. 24,924, 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 27th day of January, 1898. 2-3-101

Certificate of Improvements.

Jeff Davis mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: At the head of Bear and Champion creeks. Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for T. B. Garrison, free miner's certificate No. 97,737, T. C. Collins, free miner's certificate No. 98,784, Charles Ink, free miner's certificate No. 83,345, Nils Pearson, free miner's certificate No. 15,469, 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. F. A. WILKIN. Dated this 9th day of March, 1898. 3-10-101

Certificate of Improvements.

Baltic Fracting mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Red Mountain, between the Surprise, You Know, and Gertrude mineral claims. Take notice that I, Saml. L. Long, acting as agent for C. H. Mackintosh, free miner's certificate No. 8,775, 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 24th day of February, 1898. 2-24-101. SAML. L. LONG, P. L. S.

Certificate of Improvements.

Spitzee mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the west boundary of Rossland township. Take notice that I, J. A. Webb of Rossland, July 12, 1897, free miner's certificate No. 3,358, 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. J. A. WEBB. Dated this 3rd day of January, 1898. 2-3-101

Certificate of Improvements.

Gladiator mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: At the head of Champion creek and about three-quarters of a mile northerly from the Jeff Davis and Free Coinage mineral claims. Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for A. B. Bailton, free miner's certificate No. 79,525, 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. F. A. WILKIN. Dated this 2nd day of February, 1898. 2-3-101

Certificate of Improvements.

Black Hawk No. 2 mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the east side of Champion creek about four miles from its mouth. Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for R. Miller, free miner's certificate No. 81,641, 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. F. A. WILKIN. Dated this 2nd day of February, 1898. 2-3-101

Certificate of Improvements.

Big Chief mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About one-half mile west from Stracey O'Brien's ranch. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for John S. Colton-Fox, free miner's certificate No. 5,267A, 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. N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 7th day of March, 1898. 3-7-101

Certificate of Improvements.

Red Bird mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 400 feet north of the international boundary line, six miles west of the Columbia river. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for John S. Colton-Fox, free miner's certificate No. 5,267 A, and Campbell Sweeney, free miner's certificate No. 98,793, 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. N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 7th day of March, 1898. 3-7-101

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NOTICE.

Ninety days after date I, Thomas Gambling, intend to apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to purchase 200 acres or less, situate on Fourth of July creek in the Osoyoos Division of Yale District, British Columbia, commencing at a post marked "T. Gambling's S. W. corner post" running thence north 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west forty chains to point of commencement. Said post being situate about 1,000 feet west of Fourth of July creek and about one and one-half miles north of the Greenwood-Grand Forks wagon road. Dated this 8th day of February, A. D. 1898. (Signed) THOMAS GAMBLING.

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THE CITY COUNCIL

By-Laws Permitting the City to Borrow Money.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Recommendations by Chief McKinnon For the Improvement of the Fire Service-Report of the Health Committee-Other Matters.

At the meeting of the city council Tuesday evening, bylaws were introduced, authorizing the mayor to raise money by way of debentures or otherwise, for the purpose of meeting current expenditures, for street improvements, and to complete the sewerage system.

Wilson McKinnon, chief of the fire department, reported that the changes and repairs had been completed on the fire station, and the quarters are now ready for occupancy.

Mr. McKinnon called attention to the necessity of having the water company lay a main on Second avenue, and to have hydrants placed at the corner of Spokane and Second, and Washington and Lincoln streets, in order to give protection to buildings on the hill, there being no hydrants nearer than First avenue and Washington street, and that one has only a four inch main, which would leave a poor force for fire, after running up such a steep hill.

Attention was also called to the necessity for compliance with the act requiring the construction of fire escapes in hotels and public buildings. It was also recommended that the 500 feet of rubber hose now in possession of the department be disposed of and that cotton hose be substituted. Other recommendations tending to increase the efficiency of the fire service were presented, and the committee on fire, light and water was directed to take such action as in their discretion, was requisite.

The health and relief committee has elected Alderman Edgren as chairman for the current year, and the committee will meet each Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

To the council the committee has recommended that Centre Street creek be immediately connected with the sewer at the corner of Spokane street and First avenue, instead of with the present drain.

Since holding office the committee has expended \$221 in purchasing groceries and fuel for the needy, medical attendance and hospital charges, and transportation for city charges, and has had relatives or friends elsewhere to care for them.

A petition signed by about 130 ratepayers, asked that an overhead bridge be constructed over the railroad track, on Washington street south.

The officers of the school of mines asked the council for co-operation and support in petitioning the government for such assistance as will aid in establishing the permanency of the institution.

The report of the sanitary inspector showed the receipts and expenditures for March, leaving a balance of \$135 on hand.

The city clerk was instructed to give notice that tenders were wanted for the supplying of lumber in quantities for sidewalks. Tenders must be in by April 11.

The board of works was authorized to employ an engineer to assist in giving estimates on all matters of public improvement.

BOUNDARY REAL ANGRY

Says that Coast Cities Have Worked Against that Section.

The People There Recognize Boundaries as a Financial and Business Center and Trade Here

D. A. Good of Cascade City has been in Rossland a few days and is very much pleased with the prospect of two railways in the Boundary country in the immediate future.

These are the extension of the Crow's Nest branch from Kootenay lake and the Corbin road from some point on the Spokane Falls & Northern. To a reporter yesterday Mr. Good said: "The granting of a charter to the Kettle River Valley railway will mark the beginning of a prosperous era for the Boundary creek country. In assisting Mr. Corbin in securing this charter the people of the Boundary country were not acting with any malice toward the Canadian Pacific Railway company, neither did they desire to turn trade away from Canadian and into American channels. They all recognized that a branch of Canada's greatest railway through the district would do much towards developing the country and would serve to unite Eastern and Western Canada in a commercial way, which would be mutually beneficial to a high degree. They want to see the printing on the Crow's Nest branch continued from Kootenay lake through to Pentiction before the year shall have passed away. They worked for the Corbin charter because they knew they had a great and rich country, capable of supporting at least two railways, and were fully sensible of the effects of a lack of competition on any common carrier, and also on the country. Again, it was feared if a failure was made in the securing of the Kettle river valley railway charter that the C. P. R., as it has considerable construction work in progress, might bide its time and in all probability it would be a year or more, perhaps, before construction of the Pacific railway should not be afraid of competition with its immense resources. The business is there for them if they want it. One thing that we do hope is

that when the C. P. R. does move that it will be from the Columbia river end of the route.

"The cities of Vancouver and Victoria do not deserve the patronage of our rich district. For the sake of selling canned goods and medicine chests to unpopulated tenderloin on their way to the Arctic regions, they have lured men on (many to ruin) and decimated the inland portion of their own province, where more success can be attained in mining than in the inhospitable Klondike. Not only have they done this, but they have misrepresented our interests to the Federal government and worked tooth and nail against the plan of giving the Boundary country railway competition. The Boundary Creek people are a unit in their determination not to patronize Victoria or Vancouver, and will do everything in their power to build up closer business relations with Rossland and Eastern Canada. We recognize the fact that the financial and business interests of Southern British Columbia are centered in Rossland, and we are willing to deal with her bankers, brokers and wholesalers. They will be able to compete with any of the coast points for the wholesale trade just as soon as the Crow's Nest Pass branch is completed and a broad gauge road is running into this city."

WAR EAGLE PLANT

It Will Include the Largest Electric Hoist in the World.

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Wholesalers Raise the Price of Beef, Pork and Mutton.

There has been an advance in the wholesale price of beef, mutton and pork. Beef by the carcass has advanced from 9 to 10 cents per pound, mutton from 10 to 11 cents and pork from 10 to 11 cents.

A Valuable Map.

J. M. O'Toole of this city has issued a complete and accurate map of the Christina lake and Sheep creek sections.

When it is considered that nearly all of the claims shown on the map are un-surveyed it is obvious that its getting up involved a large amount of labor. It is a very creditable work, and will be found most useful to those having interests in that country and to others who intend to make purchases of mining properties there. All the claims on Sheep creek are shown. This is the section which is the celebrated Valley, Copper Chief and other properties are located and in which a deep interest is being taken at present. Those whose properties are not on the map can have them placed there by applying to J. M. O'Toole, 215 West 10th St., Columbia avenue east. The price of the map is \$1.50.

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Rossland, B. C., April 7, 1898.

Dear Sir:

We have to thank the investors in Rossland securities for the generous patronage given our new firm. The fact that our Mr. C. O'Brien Reddin is no longer connected with The Reddin-Jackson company has become generally known, and already we have a well established business.

A week is a short time, but our books show we sold over 150,000 shares of Rossland and Slocan stocks since the last issue of The Miner. Mugwump, Deer Park, Good Hope, Monte Christo Cons., Monita, Noble Five, Arlington and Iron Mask were the sellers in the order named.

The feature of the week's transaction as stated in our market letter of April 2 was the amount of Rossland money put in mining stocks. When local buyers are in the field the outside investor has reason to feel encouraged. The indications are for an increased volume of business and a decided rise in values.

Non-resident investors not caring to select their own investments can send us their money for investment. We will handle it as carefully as if it were our own. We have made money by investing in Rossland securities, and can make money for you if you avail yourself of our services. We will be pleased to furnish you with satisfactory references.

We again recommend Good Hope as being in our judgment the best low priced buy in this market. It is bound to increase in price and we think it a decidedly safe investment.

1898 will be a historic year in Rossland securities. The most favorable conditions are at hand--increased smelter facilities--lower freight and smelter charges--increased output in the mines--less expensive mining through the application of electricity--larger payroll--and better than all an ever increasing confidence on the part of investors the world over.

Sincerely Yours,

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"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

CANADA PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

No. 75.

This is to certify that "The Alaska Goldfields, Limited" is authorized and licensed to carry on business with the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects set forth in the charter of which the legislative authority of the legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the company is situated in England.

The amount of the capital of the company is £100,000, divided into 100,000 shares of £1 each.

The head office of the company in this Province is situated at Rossland, and Charles Robert Hamilton, barrister and solicitor, whose address is Rossland, is the attorney for the company.

The objects for which the company has been established are:

a. To purchase, operate, buy, sell, lease, take on lease, locate, acquire, acquire options over, prospect, hold, and deal in mines, mining rights, metals, minerals, and other deposits, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects set forth in the charter of which the legislative authority of the legislature of Great Britain and Ireland and the United States of America, or either of them:

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Stock Letter.

The stock market has been fairly active for the past week. Deer Park, which quieted down after the rise following the recent strike, has again taken a jump and is now steady at 13 cents. War Eagle, Mugwump and Monita have seen a good many transactions.

The Mountain Goat Gold Mining company has just been stocked in Rossland. The company has been formed to develop the Jubilee claim at Ymir. The prospects of the company are very bright. Assays have been taken running into thousands of dollars, and a smelter test recently taken from 1,000 pounds of ore showed \$2,300 in gold. The first block of stock is being placed on the market at 5 cents. We can confidently recommend this stock as an investment and as being good for a rise.

A Slocan property which is rapidly working its way to the front is the Hillside. The company's claims are situated about three miles out of Whitewater. Recent assays gave 96 ounces in silver and 51 per cent. lead. We consider this stock to be a very good buy at the price quoted. We understand that \$3,000 has been expended on working the claim.

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Arrington..... \$1 00 \$12 12

Butte..... 1 00 14 14

Commander..... 1 00 14 14

Deer Park..... 1 00 13 13

Dardanelles..... 1 00 14 14

Dundee..... 1 00 75 75

Good Hope..... 1 00 3 3

Iron Colt..... 1 00 45 45

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Josie..... 1 00 25 25

Kenneth..... 1 00 20 20

Keystone..... 1 00 20 20

Le Roi..... 5 00 7 50

Lily May..... 1 00 20 20

Monte Christo..... 1 00 21 21

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Novelty..... 1 00 2 2

Palo Alto..... 1 00 12 12

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Silver Bell..... 1 00 3 3

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