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Shipments of Ore. From January 1 to June 19, inclusive, the shipments of ore from mines at Rossland to smelters were as follows:

Table with columns: Mine, Tons, Value. Rows include War Eagle, Le Roi, Columbia & Kootenay, Iron Mask, Jumbo, Josie, Red Mountain, O. K., Evening Star, Giant, L. X. L., Total.

From January 14 to June 19, inclusive, the ore milled in the camp was as follows:

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Shipments for the past week were Le Roi, 999; War Eagle, 290; Iron Mask, 80; Columbia and Kootenay, 207; Josie, 95; Cliff, 40. Total, 1,455 tons.

The L. X. L. milled last week in the O. K. mill 105 tons.

EXPORT DUTY ON ORES.

Our Ottawa special of Tuesday morning gave the information that Minister Fielding had announced the rate of the export duties proposed to be placed on ores. It must be remembered these duties have not been put into effect, but are simply designated as fixed. The matter of putting them into effect is left to the discretion of the governor-general in council. In other words the house has authorized the cabinet to levy these export duties if a contingency arises which, in the opinion of the cabinet, makes them necessary to protect Canadian interests. As already said in these columns, it is to be hoped no such contingency will arise.

The metal and ore duties, as designated, are: Two cents a pound on copper in matte; on ore containing copper (such as we have in Rossland) 15 per cent ad valorem, and on lead or silver lead ore exported to a country (meaning the United States) which "imposes a duty on lead in bars or in pig lead, which is in excess of the import duty on lead in lead ore or in silver lead ore, a duty on the lead contained in the ore exported to the amount per pound of such excess import duty." As we explained in a note to the special announcing these rates, this means an export duty on lead ore of one-half cent a pound. In other words it means that if the Dingley bill now before the United States congress goes into effect it will cost as much to export crude lead ores from British Columbia to the United States as it does lead bullion or bar lead. Under the Dingley bill there is a discrimination in favor of the American smelters and against smelting in British Columbia. The Canadian government proposes to checkmate this move.

Here, at Rossland, we are chiefly interested in the proposed export duty on manufactured copper and copper ores, as this relates to the product of our mines and of the Trail smelter, or any smelter which may be built in British Columbia to handle our ores. We do not believe it will be necessary to impose the duty on manufactured copper. The Nelson smelter has already arranged to ship its copper to Swansea, Wales, and it is understood the Trail smelter will do the same. The rate of 15 per cent on copper ores applies to all the ores of the Rossland camp, for they all carry more or less copper. This rate means a duty of \$15 per ton on ore running \$100 per ton in all values, \$7.50 per ton on ore running \$50 per ton in all values, and \$3.25 per ton on ore running \$25 per ton in all values.

It is hardly necessary to say the ores of this camp could not bear so heavy a tax. We believe arrangements can be made to smelt these ores as cheaply on this side of the line as on the other, and that the tax will never be imposed.

THE EXPORT DUTIES.

The debate in the Dominion house of commons on the adoption of the resolution empowering the governor-general in council to impose an export duty on gold-copper and silver-lead ores, whenever, in the opinion of the government such a course becomes necessary, shows that the government and parliament of Canada are fully alive to the situation in Kootenay. It is distinctly understood that in taking this power the government is resolved that the import duty should not be imposed if its effect would be detrimental to the mining interests, but parties building smelters on the American side of the lines will be under the necessity of proving that it is essential to the success of the mining industry that the smelters should be built in the United States instead of Canada, which, in our opinion, they cannot do.

We are pleased to note in this connection that the Hon. George E. Foster, next to Sir Charles Tupper the leader of the opposition, made it very plain that the injudicious imposition of an export duty would be very detrimental to the mining industry. It is as well, however, to point out that he has fallen into several errors in connection with the marketing of our ores in the United States. It is true, for instance, that the United States offers the best market for lead in the world, but the cost of getting into that market makes it not one cent better to the foreign producer of lead than the English market. In other words, the product of British Columbia lead mines, when worked into bullion, can be marketed to as good advantage in Great Britain as in the United States, when freights and duties are taken into consideration.

Again Mr. Foster is mistaken in stating that Northport is approved as a smelter site by reason of its proximity to large ore bodies in the United States as well as in Canada. We know of no producing mines within 100 miles of Northport on the American side though there are a dozen shipping mines in Canada within 20 miles of it. We are, however, pleased to note that the War Eagle company will build a large smelter and build it in Canada.

In regard to smelter sites Mr. Blair is quite right in asserting that we have none in Rossland. It is generally conceded that our water supply is inadequate for large plants and small plants are not wanted. What Rossland has always contended is that there are just as good sites along the Columbia river in Canada as Northport and no further from the mines, and that these Canadian sites are entitled to preference by plants erected to treat Canadian ores.

MR. BLAIR'S CONFIDENCE.

The Hon. A. G. Blair, Dominion minister of railways and canals, made a felicitous reference to his visit to Rossland and West Kootenay in his address in the house on Friday in moving the adoption of the Crow's Nest Pass railway resolution. He said he had returned home from that visit feeling as to the future of the country as he had never felt before.

We were all made aware at the time of Mr. Blair's visit here of his surprise and gratification at the magnitude of the mineral resources of this immense camp, and of West Kootenay as a whole. The impressions made upon him during that visit have already borne fruit in the bill for the Crow's Nest Pass road proposed by him, and adopted almost unanimously by the house last Friday.

Seldom in the history of any country has a legislative measure been fraught with greater possibilities for a country's good, and seldom has one been more cordially supported and received. Even Sir Charles Tupper, the leader of the opposition, expressed his warm approval of the propositions advanced by Mr. Blair in his speech in proposing the bill. The two or three discordant votes were lost in the multitudinous voices of approval.

In the midst of our gratification over so great an achievement by Mr. Blair there is but one feeling of regret and that is that he was thwarted in his effort to provide a railroad for the Boundary country.

We are proud to know that Mr. Blair gained an inspiration by his visit to Rossland and West Kootenay which gave him the confidence to go forward with the great work he has so successfully accomplished in providing for the Crow's Nest road, and we do not believe he will be disappointed in the bearing the development of this country will have upon the future of Canada. Sir Richard Cartwright very happily expressed the truth when he said the development of the gold fields of British Columbia would have an effect such as sent the Australian colonies ahead by leaps and bounds. With Premier Laurier in England receiving as the representative of Canada, overwhelming attentions, and with immigration and capital from England both turning this way, there could not be a more opportune time for the exploration of our boundless mineral resources.

Minister Blair and his colleagues have been equal to the occasion. They have done the right thing at the right time. Canada is going to be a great country, and the brightest jewel in its diadem will be British Columbia.

THE OPPORTUNE MOMENT.

We believe an era of great prosperity is just opening for Canada and that it is founded largely on the mineral wealth of British Columbia. The government has done the right thing at the right time by providing for the Crow's Nest road. But this is really but half the work. A vast mineral district lies west of the Columbia river, which is now almost wholly shut off from railroad transportation.

There are mines all the way from Arrow lake to Pentiction. Many of these are practically opened and show large ore bodies. Without railroad transportation work on them must be to a great extent suspended. Capital is now going into this region and the opportune moment is at hand for the government to lend its assistance, and not only enable the miners to market their ores, but secure a vast mercantile trade to Canada.

It is eminently a field for a national undertaking. The development of the mines, the building of smelters and the establishment of lines of commerce are quite as much the work of the Dominion as the west side of the Columbia as on the east side.

The country between the Columbia river and Pentiction has not only extensive deposits of gold, silver and copper, but large agricultural areas and is therefore capable of maintaining a large and permanent population. If British Columbia is to have a million population in ten years, more than half that population will be west of the Columbia.

IMPORTANCE OF RAILROADS.

The MINER wishes to be clearly understood as to the railroad situation in British Columbia. We will support any railroad enterprise which promises to open up and develop the country. Railroads are the greatest promoters of trade and civilization of the age. Wherever they go there follows population, business, thrift and general improvement. Railroads are absolutely essential to the development of our mining resources. Hence, to us, a railroad is important in proportion to its bearing on this subject. For this reason we have contended for the extension of the Columbia & Western from Columbia river to Pentiction. At the same time we would be glad to see the Spokane Falls & Northern system extended into the Boundary country from the south. There is, besides, enough in the country for both systems, and competing lines are always beneficial to the communities through which they run. Necessarily we must always do a large business with the neighboring states on the other side of the line. Those states produce much that we are compelled to buy, and from there come hundreds and thousands of miners and prospectors, as well as millions of money for the discovery and de-

velopment of mines. It is with pleasure we acknowledge our indebtedness to these agencies and that we ask for them the fullest measure of recognition.

ROSSLAND AND THE DAY.

Every citizen of Rossland has reason to be proud of the manner in which Jubilee day was celebrated. The day opened dark and gloomy, but by noon the clouds began to roll away and the remainder of the day was adorned by the glory of a mountain sunshine. The city was beautifully decorated. Evergreens were strung along on both sides of Columbia avenue from one end to the other. Flags flew from every important building and gay colors fluttered everywhere. Two beautiful arches stretched across the streets and portraits of the Queen, in whose honor the day was celebrated, were seen in many places.

A joyous and enthusiastic crowd filled Columbia avenue. A better dressed, more orderly or more respectable crowd could not be found in any city. There was not a jar to the proceedings of the entire day. Good will and good fellowship reigned everywhere. The songs of the children made every heart happy. It was a celebration in the truest, best and largest sense of the word—a celebration joined in quite as heartily by our American cousins as by ourselves. Indeed in Rossland there are no lines of distinction as to nationality. It is the most liberal and most cosmopolitan of places. We were proud of the young city yesterday. It did honor to itself, to British Columbia and all Canada. A people who can so conduct themselves have in themselves the elements which fit them for a high civic destiny.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

ROSSLAND'S celebration of Jubilee day was not materially assisted by delegations from any of her sister cities, but it was the grandest celebration Kootenay has ever seen, or is likely to see, until Rossland gets up another.

It is not often that we are able to agree with Sir Charles Tupper, but for once we do. The railway from Robson to Pentiction should be built and it should be begun this year. It is a thousand pities that the opening of the vast Boundary district should be delayed to the detriment of each individual pioneer and the people of all Canada by the petty jealousy of a gang of charter mongers from the coast cities and their allies in parliament.

If the coast members are going to support the Mine gang who have killed the railroad to Boundary they must have the approval of their constituents. If the people of Victoria and Vancouver sympathize with this sort of business we want to know it and we shall ask the people of Boundary and Kootenay to remember it. Do Victoria and Vancouver want to do business with us or not? If they do they must repudiate not only Mine and his gang but the members who aided and abetted them in their act of assassination.

Nor a little of the credit for the completion of the Crow's Nest Pass railway proposition is due to Mr. Hewitt Bostock, the member for this district. While his personal predilections, like ours, were in favor of a government railway, yet, when he found that the ministers were unable to undertake so huge an enterprise, he labored earnestly to secure the immediate construction of the line by the C. P. R., and at the same time the best concessions possible from that corporation in return for a cash subsidy. How well he succeeded has already been told. Kootenay has reason to be proud of him.

The Dominion government will make a grievous error if it permits any contractor on the Crow's Nest railway to employ Asiatic labor. The building of this line, one half at least of the cost of which is being betrayed by the people of Canada, will attract thousands of white laborers if Chinese and Japanese are excluded. Of these thousands many would be likely to remain and settle up the vast virgin territory which this road will open up, which the Asiatics would not do. If the road should be built by Asiatics half the value of its construction to Canada would be lost. While the press dispatches are teeming with stories of starving Canadians in New York and the New England states there can be no excuse for permitting the employment of bringing back to Canada thousands of its unfortunate sons, who are now without work in the United States, could not be presented than the demand for labor in the construction of the Crow's Nest line. Canada's motto should be, "No Chinese need apply."

Throat Trouble Cured.

"I used Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine for severe throat trouble," writes Mrs. Hopkins of 151 Bathurst street, Toronto. "I got the best household remedies there is. It is easy and pleasant to take, and drives out the cold with surprising celerity."

National Mining and Development Co., Ltd. Lv.

Capital \$650,000. Treasury \$460,000. Shares 10c. Sold at Par Only. A. C. SINCLAIR, M. D., President. S. P. THOMPSON, Secretary. Head Office, ROSSLAND, B. C. Branch Offices: 67 James St. Hamilton, Ont. Chicago, Ill. C. R. HAMILTON, Barrister, Solicitor, etc. Columbia Ave., Rossland

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LODGE MEETINGS.

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

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Saddle mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district, B. C. Where located: On Tiger Creek about two and a half miles from Rossland, B. C. free miner's certificate No. 77,167, 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



BIG TOWNSITE DEAL

T. A. Garland Makes a \$10,000 Investment in Anaconda Lots.

BOUNDARY DISTRICT NEWS

Final Payment Made on the No. 7 and Second Payment on the Jewel-Curie Group Reported Sold-Professional Mineralogist in Camp.

BOUNDARY CREEK, June 16.—[Special.] The town lots in the Anaconda townsite have been changed owners, or rather a three-quarter interest in them has passed to T. A. Garland, who, until he came to Boundary Creek, was a resident at Portage la Prairie. The consideration is \$10,000. The remaining one-fourth interest is held by Colonel Weir of New York. Mr. Garland will now push the sale of these lots, and being an experienced real estate agent, is confident that he will be successful in doing so. Anaconda is a good, natural townsite, on Boundary creek, at the junction of the road from Grand Prairie on the one side and Copper Camp on the other, with the main road from Midway up Boundary creek, through Greenwood and Boundary Creek City.

It has transpired that the organization of a company to acquire the Winnipeg claim in Wellington camp is in the hands of B. H. Beacher, president of the Union National bank, Grand Forks, N. D., and W. F. Honey, a flouring mill owner, of Park River, N. D. No details of the transaction have yet been made public.

F. Keffler, M. E., mining manager for the Boundary Mines company of New York, on 14th instant made the final payment of \$2,900, due under the bond on the No. 7, in Central camp. This claim cost the company \$18,000, and about \$8,000 has been spent in development work since the company took possession.

The second instalment due under the bond on the Jewel, in Long Lake camp, was paid a few days ago by the Prospecting Syndicate of British Columbia, limited, for which company Leslie Hill, C. E., is mining manager. The payment amounted to about \$6,000, equally divided between L. Bosskard and F. Dittmer, both of Greenwood.

It is reported that Messrs. Carmody, Fell and Leahy, representing eastern capitalists, have purchased the Currie group of claims on Canyon creek, main Kettle river, at a price not yet disclosed.

Jay P. Graves of Spokane and H. White, of White's camp, have gone up to Greenwood camp in connection with the intended early resumption of work on the Old Ironsides.

Separate companies, recently organized, hold these claims, but it is understood that as far as is practicable they will be jointly worked for considerations of economy. Both are well known claims, believed to be valuable mineral property.

Ontario Examining Mines. The provincial mineralogist, Mr. W. A. Carlyle, M. E., is now in the Boundary Creek district, having arrived at Greenwood on Tuesday, 14th inst. On his way Mr. Carlyle gave attention to various localities in the Okanagan, where mineral claims are being worked.

Camp McKinney and Rock creek next came under his notice and now it is Boundary Creek's turn. Long Lake camp will be examined first. Here there is some practical mining in progress and there are some other features of interest, several minerals of some value having been discovered.

On Saturday the Mother Lode, in Deadwood camp, will be examined, Mr. Keffler having courteously arranged to show Mr. Carlyle over the property. Other properties will be examined as opportunity offers. It is expected that Mr. Carlyle will spend about a fortnight in the Boundary mining camps.

Customs and Excise. On and after July 1 a customs officer will be stationed at Midway, the increasing trade of the district requiring, for the better protection of the revenue, the establishment of a customs office between Grand Prairie and Osoyoos, those offices being, by road, about 80 miles apart. J. Sutherland, of Greenwood, will be in charge of the new office, which will be a sub-post of New Westminster, where the collector is stationed.

Local Brevities. A Foresters' lodge is to be instituted at Greenwood on Monday evening, 21st inst. by J. H. Falconer, of Victoria, a deputy of the supreme chief ranger of the order. Mr. Falconer organized and instituted a lodge at Marcus with 28 members, and another at Grand Forks with 35 members. After completing his work at Greenwood he will proceed to Midway.

FAUVEL AT ITS HEAD

A London Company Which Has Been Working in West Kootenay.

THE DUNCAN SYNDICATE

Managing Director Now in Rossland to Arrange a Trial Shipment of Ores to Its English Reduction Works—Mines It Is Developing.

Last November C. S. Drummond, of London, visited Rossland for the purpose of securing information as to the character and extent of Trail Creek ore deposits, with a view to the introduction of a new system of smelting. He is the managing director of the Duncan Syndicate of London, a company which owns what is known as the Fauvel process of treating refractory ores. Mr. Drummond is again in the camp, and he informs THE MINER his syndicate has made very material progress, both in the matter of treating ores by the Fauvel process and in mining operations in West Kootenay. The syndicate has constructed a smelter of 100 tons capacity at Brentford, a station on the Great City Western railway, 12 miles out of London, and experiments have so far been carried on with South African ores.

Experiment With Rossland Ores. "With these," said Mr. Drummond, "I have now come here to arrange for the shipment of 50 tons of ore from this camp. We wish to get this in 10 tons lots and to take it from various mines so as to make a representative and exhaustive test. If we succeed with our ores, as I confidently believe we will, we will erect a plant at some point convenient to Rossland."

The Duncan syndicate is composed of people who are prominent in the London financial world. The chairman of the board is Charles J. Fauvel, inventor of the Fauvel furnace. Other members of the board are Capt. Bax, of the Westminster Electric company, Hammersley Heenan, president of the Darlen company, and Douglas Cairney, the well known broker, of Glasgow. There are only 15 people in the syndicate, and they are advancing all the money themselves for their mining and smelting operations.

Operations of the Syndicate.

Captain Thomas Duncan, who has here with Mr. Drummond on his former visit, has been in West Kootenay several years studying the country and selecting mining prospects. No announcement has heretofore been made of the properties secured or of the work in progress on them. The syndicate now has 11 properties altogether. These are the Comet, Calumet, Little George, Planet, Wren, and Bicket, all on Wild Horse creek, a few miles from Ymir City; the Ramona, Alice, and Condon, on the near Summit also on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railroad, four miles from Nelson. All these properties are in the Nelson and Salmon mining districts, and all are now under active development and have been for four months past.

Results of Season's Work.

Mr. Drummond has just been to see some of the work in progress. At the Wren on Wild Horse they have eight feet of ore in a ledge 30 feet wide. The average of the eight feet of ore is \$19.40 in gold and the concentration is \$80.00. Enough work has been done here to leave little doubt that they have a good mine. There is an easy grade from Ymir city up Wild Horse to within half a mile of the mine and the syndicate now has in contemplation a tramway near Summit also on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railroad, four miles from Nelson. All these properties are in the Nelson and Salmon mining districts, and all are now under active development and have been for four months past.

ORHVED UP HIS EAR.

Thomas Hunt's Vicious Attack on Ex-Policeman James Kirkup. Thomas Hunt tried to chew off the ear of Former Constable James Kirkup's ears in the Metropolitan house bar at an early hour yesterday morning. He was almost successful. The services of a surgeon were needed to repair Kirkup's mutilated and bleeding organ of hearing. Officer Pyper attended to Hunt. Yesterday morning Hunt was brought to the police court for trial but Kirkup was not able to leave his room and the case was postponed until he can appear before the court.

Distinguished Soldier and Pioneer.

Rossland is honored just now by a visit from Col. D. P. Jenkins, of Spokane. He is one of the pioneers of the eastern Washington metropolis, having come there in 1879, when it was a hamlet of half a dozen houses. He had the foresight to acquire large landed interests, and is in consequence enjoying a comfortable old age. It may not be generally known, for the colonel is a modest man, that he has been credit one of the most brilliant records made in the American civil war. He was a major in the first cavalry regiment raised by Illinois after the outbreak of the war, and was subsequently made colonel of the Seventh Illinois cavalry. He was brevetted brigadier-general, and frequently mentioned in dispatches for conspicuous bravery. His regiment participated in Stoneman's raid in Georgia. He started into that raid at the head of 600 soldiers, and re-joined Sherman's command with seven men on foot, and like himself, every one of them was wounded.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Reddin-Jackson Company Replies.

EDITOR MINER—Sir:

In accordance with your request we beg to submit: 1. That we are responsible for the closing of the Spokane and Rossland exchange. 2. We deny the assumption that we look at the stock exchange question from the point of view ascribed to us. 3. We are not in the "protecting" business.

The company realizes that it is not a charitable organization and pleads guilty to transacting its business on a basis of buying in the cheapest market and selling in the dearest. 5. The intimation that we were a party to the excessive prices asked for stocks in Toronto has been disposed of by THE MINER.

6. We refuse to inform the gentleman how we acquire our knowledge of the values of the Reddin-Jackson company, we have sold by the organized efforts of the rest of the Rossland brokers." This we deny. No officer of this company has ever troubled himself about the business of any of the Rossland brokers.

10. Your correspondent assumes that we are of opinion "that the interests of the stock market are better protected by the Reddin-Jackson company, limited, and by the organized efforts of the rest of the Rossland brokers." This we deny. We do not claim to be infallible. No doubt we have made some mistakes, but on the whole our quotations have been satisfactory to the public. That they have been satisfactory to THE MINER is evidenced by the fact that we still make the quotations.

Now, sir, we trust you will consider this discussion ended as far as we are concerned. We realize your position in this matter, and will cease furnishing you with quotations as soon as you make other arrangements. The gentlemen who assail us are all advertising in THE MINER, and you must incline to their views to a certain extent. We would like to add that the basis of value of non-dividend paying stocks is extremely difficult to get at. In our judgment the value of any block of securities is governed by the necessities of the owner. One owner will ask more or less than another. In all the quotations we have furnished you we have been governed by the price of treasury stock, and have quoted the price asked by the company, except in cases where large blocks of promoters' stock came in conflict with the treasury stock.

The idea that we were governing or controlling the price of stocks never occurred to us. Our quotations served as a curb to the investing public, who, no doubt, obtained figures from other brokers before purchasing and surely bought at the lowest price obtainable. No one with common sense will charge that the public bought stocks from us at higher prices than those asked by other brokers simply because we made quotations in THE MINER. We never believed that men who invest their money in stocks or other securities need "protection." Men who have passed through the financial crisis of the past decade and still have money to invest are not easily imposed upon. They investigate matters fully and in our opinion need no advice when they decide to invest.

Would it not be better for the brokers of Rossland to bend their energies to the rebuilding of this camp rather than concentrating their efforts to injure the business of this company? If our method is not genuine the public will quickly find it out. If we are doing business on business principles it should occur to our assailants that their venomous attacks and gratuitous newspaper journalism is injurious to the public.

THE REDDIN-JACKSON CO., Ltd. By C. O'Brien Reddin, President.

R. J. Bealey Explains.

EDITOR MINER—Sir: I wish, in reply to the Reddin-Jackson Co.'s letter in your issue of the 29th of June, to touch upon two remarks made by Mr. Reddin, viz.: that "jealousy is the basis and groundwork of the complaint of these philanthropic gentlemen who are so anxious to protect the public," and also the hint that I should exercise pressure on you through my advertising.

As regards the first: I wish Messrs. Reddin-Jackson Co. every success in selling stocks. They have worked hard for their connection, and have, I believe, succeeded in obtaining the best price for their stocks. The more stocks they sell the better it is for everybody, as it means that they are interesting the public, and in this way they help other brokers. As regards the second remark, I advise you in your paper because I consider it a good medium for advertising. I have no personal feeling whatever against Messrs. Reddin-Jackson, with whom my relations have always been most friendly, but I still adhere to the opinion that in the present state of the stock market, when, as you know, so few and value of ore in sight from Manager Merryweather as we could.—[Ed.]

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Citizens of Trail Protest Against Delaying Railway to Boundary.

SOME PRETTY PLAIN TALK

Speaker Higgins and Others Address the Meeting in Denunciation of Action of Dr. Milne and His Supporters—Text of Resolution Adopted

Trail, June 21.—(Special.)—No more enthusiastic public meeting ever assembled in Trail than the one held in McPhee's hall tonight by the most prominent citizens of the town, to protest against the government's delay in aiding the construction of the Columbia & Western railroad into the boundary country.

The hall was crowded to the doors with the very highest class citizens of Trail. All the minor differences were obliterated at this vital moment when it was realized that so much was at stake, and the unanimity of sentiment was for the immediate construction of the road.

On the motion of W. de V. Lemaitre, the Hon. Dr. Higgins, speaker of the provincial house, who happened to be in town, was unanimously made chairman. In a short but very strong speech Mr. Higgins explained the necessity for such an indignation meeting as this, and said, in a few years' life in British Columbia, he had never faced a more serious crisis than the one now confronting us. There could be no question as to the gigantic importance and utility of the contemplated road, yet he learned through the most reliable paper the Roseland & Williams that Mr. Heinze was now being held up by a band of impetuous speculators from the coast who, unless they are bought off, will steadily refuse to allow the Columbia & Western railway to be extended into the boundary district.

The speaker said the building of that branch was of monumental importance to the whole province. He had been steadily through the country in question and was amazed at the riches of its mineral deposits, because some of the mines were so richly endowed they could be opened up and developed and all development there is tied up and held up pending the building of a railway.

The coast would be benefited equally in proportion with Trail. This is the only business that would come to it with the opening of the Boundary. The Roseland & Williams would be benefited by a new market for their products, and the Roseland & Williams would be benefited by a new market for their products, and the Roseland & Williams would be benefited by a new market for their products.

Colonel Topping followed in a speech wherein he urged the benefit Trail would reap through the speedy completion of the Boundary. Mr. R. T. Daniel followed in the same vein. W. R. McLean made a neat and humorous address which caught the attention of the audience. He introduced the resolution which after a few minor changes was adopted with a unanimity that left no room for doubt as to the sentiment of the meeting.

The resolutions were as follows: Whereas, disgraceful and dishonouring methods have been adopted at Ottawa to defeat the bill for the construction of the Columbia & Western line of railway from the Columbia river to Pentticon, and the completion of said line, \$8 million thereon, are under construction and operation, while insuring the opening of vast mineral deposits in and about the Boundary country at present inaccessible, would conduce to the prosperity and development of British Columbia property and development of the Dominion as a whole.

Be it therefore resolved, that the citizens of Trail view with indignation and alarm the efforts being put forth to defeat said project, and that they tender the government at Ottawa our support and sympathy in its expressed determination to resist the efforts of the handful of corrupt jobbers to defeat this great project.

Resolved, that copies of this preamble and resolutions be telegraphed to the Hon. Mr. Blair and Hewitt, Ottawa, our representative at Ottawa.

The remarks by the speakers of the meeting were very plain and to the point. Dr. Milne and his associates were handled without gloves, and Speaker Higgins as a coast man was not meagre in his criticisms of the effort to defeat the only feasible plan to get a railroad west from Roseland.

Mr. Higgins was accorded a more than usually hearty vote of thanks, and in conclusion he congratulated the gentlemen present on the public spirit they had shown in the meeting.

THE SISTERS' FAIR. A Number of the Voting Contests Closed Saturday Night. Owing to the fact that a large number of the articles on sale were not disposed of, it was decided at a late hour last night to continue the Sisters' fair until Tuesday night. The use of the hall was donated for the extra two days by the owner, Mr. Cooney.

The fair will be open all day Tuesday, and a lunch will be served from noon till evening, when a dinner will be provided at a reasonable figure. All the articles that remain unsold will be raffled during the evening, and the contest for the most popular mine foreman and lacrosse player will close. It is hoped by the sisters that the public will respond liberally Monday and Tuesday. The bad weather last week prevented the people from attending, and thus interfered with the success of the bazaar.

The Voting Contests. Most of the voting contests closed amid great excitement last night. The supporters of the different contestants bought votes by the hundred toward the last. The names of the winners with the standing of the fortunate ones, follow: Most popular physician—Dr. Bows, 460; Dr. Campbell, 308; Dr. Kenning, 53; Dr. Coulthard, 87. Prize—silver smoking set.

Most popular city official—Mrs. Helen Hayes, 70; Mayor Scott, 55; A. N. Patterson, 55; G. A. Fraser, 53. Prize—Meerschmump pipe.

Most popular married lady—Mrs. Harold Kingsmill, 344; Mrs. G. F. Jackson, 280; Mrs. Ferrine, 75; Mrs. Dr. Bows, 67. Prize—diamond table set.

Most popular young lady—Miss Laura Evans, 695; Miss K. Watson, 691; Miss Herkimer, 124; Miss Tremblay, 58; Miss Floss, 63. Prize—elegant gold watch.

Most popular girl under 7 years—Ella Breshnan, 442; Maggie Reddin, 161; Ninie Lalonde, 108; Mammie Fraser, 66. Prize—silver cup.

Miss Evans seemed the favorite from the start. As the gipsy fortune teller she has made her friends and is conceded to be the hit of the fair. She made a very neat little speech in response to an unanimous request from the crowd, after it was announced that she had been declared the most popular young lady in Roseland.

Mrs. Hayes had not decided what she will do with the meerschmump pipe she received for being voted the most popular city official. She has no intention of learning to smoke.

The contests that remain open stand as follows: Most popular lacrosse player—Col. W. L. Fagan, 52; C. R. McBride, 51. Most popular mine foreman—John Breshnan, 63; John Fitzwilliams, 60; Peter Joyce, 56.

AMERICA TO THE QUEEN.

Personal Letter to Her Majesty From President McKinley.

LONDON, June 21.—President McKinley has sent the following personal letter to Queen Victoria. It was delivered by Whitelaw Reid, special envoy:

"To Her Majesty, Victoria, Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India: Great and Good Friend. In the name and on behalf of the people of the United States, I present their sincere felicitations upon the sixtieth anniversary of your majesty's accession to the crown of Great Britain. I express the sentiments of my fellow-citizens in wishing for your people a prolongation of your reign, illustrious and marked by the advance in science, arts, and popular well-being. On behalf of my countrymen, I wish particularly to recognize your friendship for the United States and your love of peace, exemplified upon important occasions, and marked by its pleasing acknowledgment of the debt of gratitude and respect due to your personal virtues. May your life be prolonged and peace, honor and prosperity bless the people over whom you have been called to rule. May liberty flourish throughout your empire under just and equal laws, and your government continue strong in the affections of all who live under it. And I pray God to have your majesty in His holy keeping.

Done at Washington this 28th day of May, A. D., 1897.

Your good friend,  
WILLIAM MCKINLEY,  
By the President,  
JOHN SHERMAN, Secretary of State.

IN THE SECOND ROUND.

Tommy Ryan Knocked Tom Williams Out—Fought From the Jump.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., June 21.—Tommy Ryan knocked out Tom Williams, champion welterweight of Australia, in the first minute of the second round of their fight tonight. The Australian started in to rush matters in the first round, and Ryan contented himself by ducking and side stepping until the latter part of the round, when he drove his right hand that sent his man staggering against the ropes.

In the second round Ryan landed in from the first to fix matters and landed right and left on the face and body. Williams dropped to his knees three times to avoid punishment, and when he got up Ryan jabbed him right in the heart and then hooked his left on the temple. Williams dropped like a log and was counted out.

BONDED THE DIBBLE GROUP

John M. Burke and General Warren Are in the Deal.

Property is One of the Best Known in the Fort Steele District—Record Breaking Trip.

SPOKANE, Wash., June 21.—(Special.)—A three-quarter interest in the Dibble group of claims, one of the oldest quartz locations in the Fort Steele country, has been purchased by the Slocan Silver-Lead syndicate, of which the Hon. Geo. E. Foster, ex-minister of finance of Canada, is president and John M. Burke managing director. The other quarter interest is retained by W. M. Sprague and General Warren, who for two years have held a bond on the property.

The claims contained in the Dibble group are the Last Chance, Richmond Hill and Beaver. The price paid by the Slocan Silver-Lead Syndicate for the three-quarter interest was \$30,000. It is claimed by Mr. Sprague that during two years he has expended in the development of the property. It is said to be one of the best group of claims in East Kootenay, carrying both gold and silver, and the ore runs about \$150 to the ton. The new owners have already commenced development work on the property and will ship ore as soon as they get transportation facilities into the district, which is expected with the coming of the Crow's Nest Pass road.

There are already 500 sacks of ore on what is known as Chloride hill, in the Rocky mountains, and is about 11 miles from Fort Steele.

John M. Burke and General Warren returned to Spokane, Saturday evening, from Fort Steele, where they went for the purpose of closing up the deal for the above group. In returning a record breaking trip was made between Fort Steele and Spokane.

Said General Warren left Fort Steele on Saturday morning and arrived at the canyon, six miles up from Jennings, at 11 a.m. High water made it dangerous to try to shoot the canyon, so 21 passengers made a portage around it while the crew of the Gwendoline attempted to run a lifeboat through the canyon to carry up the balance of the journey to Jennings. The fastenings, however, gave way and the boat filled with water and floated down stream, being caught at Libby, many miles below.

"Mr. Burke, Colonel Baker, minister of mines, myself and two others, struck out afoot and reached Jennings at 11 o'clock, just in time to catch the Northern passenger train. The conductor waited about 20 minutes for the rest of the 21 passengers, but as they did not put in an appearance we left without them, arriving in Spokane Saturday evening.

"What is my opinion of the Fort Steele country? Well sir, outside of Roseland I think it is destined to become one of the best camps in Kootenay. It is a year too early to locate permanently. By that time there will be transportation into the district, and with transportation will follow development of the country. It is an open country and easy of access by wagon to all points in the district."

Think the Shooting Was Justified. CHEYENNE, WY., June 21.—The coroner's jury empanelled today to inquire into the death of Private Daniel McOrimlik, Eighth infantry, who was shot Tuesday night by Western Union Operator Erswell of this city, after examining over 40 witnesses, returned a verdict this evening that McOrimlik came to his death by a gunshot wound inflicted by Erswell. Erswell is closely guarded in the county jail and will be tried for murder.

Private Mooney, who was shot by Erswell while making an attack upon the latter's house, is not expected to live. The opinion prevalent here is that Erswell was justified in shooting and that he will be discharged.

KASLO WON EASILY

Roseland Ball Team Was Done Up by a Score of 8 to 1.

BEST GAME PLAYED THERE

Roseland Boys Had Hard Luck All Through—Coffman Pitched a Strong Game for the Home Team and Was Well Supported.

KASLO, June 19.—(Special.)—Nearly 300 people this afternoon witnessed the finest game of the league series played here—Roseland against Kaslo. The home team won by a score of 8 to 1. The battery for Roseland were St. Vrain and Bray, and for Kaslo, Coffman and Davy. O'Toole was umpire.

Coffman's pitching, combined with the magnificent support accorded him, won the game for Kaslo. Roseland's only run was gained in the fifth inning by Drennon's low-thrown ball to first after a very difficult stop. The features of the game were Green's play on third base, Davy's catching and the slick work of the home team. Coffman pitched a hard steady game. Roseland played in hard luck. There was heavy batting on both sides.

The score by innings was as follows: Kaslo.....0 1 0 0 2 0 2 1 2-8 Roseland.....0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0-1 The return game will be played tomorrow.

KASLO WON AGAIN

Score Was Tied in Sunday's Ball Game at End of Ninth Inning.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS. Played Won Lost Per Cent. Spokane.....11 8 3 785 Kaslo.....10 6 4 720 Roseland.....9 5 4 530

The Roseland Baseball club played in hard luck at Kaslo. They were beaten again Sunday by a score of 10 to 9. The game was the closest of the season. At the close of the ninth inning Roseland was leading Kaslo 9 to 8. Kaslo's first at bat in the tenth inning. After two men had been put out, Clark went to the bat. When he had two strikes against him he hit the ball and knocked a home run, winning the game for Kaslo.

EXPORT DUTIES ON ORES

Resolution Adopted in the Commons After an Interesting Debate.

Minister Blair and the Hon. George E. Foster Both Showed an Intimate Acquaintance With Affairs.

[From Our Special Correspondent.] OTTAWA, Ont., June 19.—[Delayed in Transmission.]—Finance Minister Fielding moved that the house go into committee on the resolution empowering the governor-general-in-council to impose at any time the export duties on logs, pulp wood and lead and copper ores. Mr. Foster pointed out that while the effect of the export duty on saw logs and pulp wood and to a certain extent the export duty on nickel ores would be beneficial, in the case of the proposed duty on gold-copper and silver-lead ores in British Columbia it was a different matter. A thousand had invested in mines to one in smelters. The mines employed a thousand men for one in the smelters. Throughout the vast dry ore belt there were great deposits of low grade ore which required every advantage of competition and cheapness in smelting to make them profitable.

Lead Frosts and American Market. The lead ores contained a greater or less percentage of silver and gold and a large proportion of the lead, the latter running as high as 1400 pounds to the ton. The United States market for lead was the best in the world, and their duty on lead in ores was half a cent per pound less than on the lead in pig lead, therefore if an export duty were imposed it would add to the cost of putting our lead ores in the market and increase the United States import duty on our pig lead. Canada could not profitably work up pig lead into sheet and other forms. We would have to export our pig lead to England or establish factories for sheet lead in China and Japan. Therefore he held this matter over till next session, and meantime make a technical enquiry into the whole subject, or, better still, drop the matter altogether.

Smelters in Canada. Minister Blair advocated the government's being given the power to put an export duty on ores as necessary to encourage smelting in Canada. The Dingley bill duty on gold-copper ores was designed to give the smelting to Americans. He could not see how the government's merely having power to impose an export duty would affect in vestment in British Columbia mines.

To this Mr. Foster replied that British capital was now on the turning point of large investments in British Columbia, and if competition in smelting was prevented because of the proximity to large bodies of both Canadian and American ores. The War Eagle mine was now retaining ore on its dump waiting the opening of the Kootenay railway. Which this cheap fuel they would start a smelter on the Canadian side.

Mr. Blair said there was no suitable place for a smelter at Roseland. Mr. Foster said he had better not tell them that out there.

Adopted Without Amendment. The resolutions passed through committee without amendment, the finance minister assuring Mr. Foster that the export duty on ores would not be imposed without full investigation.

In the house the Extension of the Intercolonial bill was read the third time.

Fire in Brooklyn Navy Yard. NEW YORK, June 21.—Fire broke out in the Brooklyn navy yard shortly before 10 o'clock tonight and did damage to the extent of about \$100,000. The building known as No. 13 was partly destroyed. It was occupied mainly by the ordnance department.

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Mr. J. L. Parker, the mining engineer, in his report on the Keystone group says: "A shaft is sunk thirty-six feet on the Keystone and is in almost solid ore, having a little calcite which is usual in the Trail Creek ores. The foot wall of the vein is granite and as there has been no crosscut made on the hanging wall side it is only a matter of conjecture as to the width of the ore body, but I am prepared to believe that it will be of enormous width, judging from the size of the solid iron capping.

"Although the ore at present is of low grade, yet at the foot of the shaft copper pyrites are coming in strongly and the ore will undoubtedly increase in value as depth is attained. This is the experience of Trail Creek ores generally, and I can see no valid reason why this should not do so. The veins are permanent fissures and will carry to unknown depths, and I believe that whoever acquires this property will get one of the most promising mines in the Trail Creek country.

"I reported favorably on the property of the Parker Group, afterwards acquired by the Dundee Gold Mining Company, which assayed only \$2.20 on the surface, and which improved very materially as successive assays of \$13, \$22 and \$49 were got, until at 100 feet assays were obtained showing \$59 ore, which proves that low grade ore improves with depth, and I consider that the Keystone Group, while the ore is of a very different character, is unquestionably the "banner group," as far as surface showings are concerned, of any claims seen by me on which pyrrhotite ore is found, and I make no exceptions whatever of any mines or prospects in and around Roseland or in the Trail Creek mining division.

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FACTS TO CONSIDER.

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CAUGHT AFTER FIVE YEARS

Frank W. Eastman Arrested After a Long Career of Crime.

Spokane Ticket Broker Has Been on His Trail Ever Since He Worked Him for \$40.

SPOKANE, Wash., June 19.—(Special.)—Frank W. Eastman was arrested by the police last evening upon a warrant charging him with the crime of obtaining money under false pretenses. William Nelson, the ticket broker, is the complainant.

The crime for which Eastman was arrested was committed June 10, 1892, a little over five years ago. On that day Eastman came into Mr. Nelson's office and purchased a ticket for Denver, tendering in payment for it a draft for \$40 on a Sioux Falls, S. D., bank. He then stated to Mr. Nelson that he had an account with the bank at that city and Mr. Nelson was to collect, which in course of time was returned from Sioux Falls local bank for collection, which in course of time was returned from Sioux Falls with the statement that Eastman was not at the bank at that city and had no account there. Mr. Nelson then swore out a warrant in Justice Dunning's court for Eastman's arrest, but the latter could not be found.

Through having warned the Ticket Brokers' association of Eastman's game Mr. Nelson several times heard of Eastman's whereabouts and half a dozen times the warrant was forwarded for his arrest, but in each instance Eastman was gone before the warrant arrived. Yesterday Mr. Nelson received word that the man whom he had returned to the court on Clerk Dibble's municipal court and a short time later an officer had Eastman in custody.

Mr. Nelson says he had been informed through the Ticket Brokers' association that Eastman, since his transaction here that he had been engaged in the same line of business all over the country. He says he does not want his \$40 back nor does he expect it, but he will prosecute Eastman for the protection of the community at large.

Eastman has a wife living here who is employed in one of the dry goods stores, and is a brother-in-law to Joe Campbell, general agent for the Oregon Railway & Navigation company in this city. Both the latter have disowned Eastman because of his career.

Dauntless Towed into Port. KEY WEST, Fla., June 21.—The revenue cutter M. C. Lane arrived here this evening with the tug Dauntless in tow, having found her off India Key. The Dauntless was disabled, having blown out the tubes of her boiler. The tug out of the tubes of her boiler. The tug out of the tubes of her boiler. The tug out of the tubes of her boiler.

George W. Childs, which left here mysteriously yesterday, also returned here tonight with the cutter Forward. The crew of the Dauntless could not be seen tonight. The crew of the Childs have nothing to say except that they have not been to the Dauntless. It is reported that the Dauntless was on her way to Cuba.

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IT WAS A GREAT DAY

Rossland's Celebration of the Jubilee Worthy of the Occasion.

MESSAGE FROM THE QUEEN

Read by Mayor Scott and Received With Loud Cheering and Singing of the National Anthem—The Day's Sports and Pastimes.

Rossland celebrated yesterday. From the time of the firing of the first royal salute at 6 a.m. until late at night people thronged the streets. The rock drilling contest, children's procession, exercises, and speeches on the platform, athletic sports, horse and hose reel races, bonfire and fireworks on Red Mountain afforded continuous and ever varying entertainment for the happy crowds. A concert and ball at the opera house fittingly terminated the biggest round of pleasure that the citizens of Rossland have ever experienced.

While every event on the program was thoroughly enjoyed, the feature that proved the most pleasing to the eye was undoubtedly the spectacle of the 200 children in holiday attire, with the Union Jack clasped firmly in every little hand. It was a sight that appealed to the heart as well as the eye. When the fresh young voices burst forth in the favorite songs of Britain, "God Save the Queen" and "Rule Britannia," not a loyal heart could resist the thrill that seemed to rise as the words floated upon the atmosphere, alive with the inspiration of the occasion.

The Drilling Contest. There was some delay in starting the drilling contest. Two hours after the appointed time the teams were at it. M. Gaffney and T. Burns, of the War Eagle, drilled 34 1/2 inches. Joe Davis and Jerry O'Connell followed and put a hole down 35 1/2 inches. W. M. Ross and C. W. Smith, of the Elise, formed the next team. They were using the eighth drill when the point went through the rock. Gathering their scattered drills they started a new hole. They were allowed 34 1/2 inches by the judges when the two holes were measured, thus getting the first prize of \$200. Gaffney and Burns were awarded the second prize, \$100.

School Children's Parade. The children's parade started from the opera house shortly after 12 o'clock. The band led. Next came the ten four horse wagons containing the children, the girls all attired in white. Norman Campbell, a Scotch piper, marched between two of the wagons and furnished music when the band was not playing. The volunteer fire brigade brought up the rear. The route taken was east on Columbia avenue to St. Paul street, west on Columbia avenue to Spokane street, north to First avenue, east to Washington street and south to the platform on the northwest corner of Columbia avenue and Washington street.

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The hub and hose reel race followed. The companies were composed as follows: Company No. 1.—W. J. Moon, (captain), C. M. Weller, J. Smith, F. Yeuber, J. Watson, R. Curry, H. L. Jaffe, F. Haley, Colors, white. Company No. 2.—J. Squires (captain), P. Wilcox, J. McLean, W. L. Fagan, D. J. McDonald, J. W. Morris, E. A. Rolif, R. Shields, Colors, red. The course was east on Columbia avenue from the Bank of Montreal to the distance of 150 yards. Captain Squires of Company 2 was lame and could not run. Each cart carried 200 feet of hose. With only seven men, Company 2 won by nearly 20 feet and received the prize of \$75.

The display of fireworks on the Poor-man hill was very beautiful and formed the chief attraction of the evening. At 9:30 o'clock the big bonfire on the top of Red Mountain was ignited by seven-year old Margaret McCraney who made the ascent of the mountain with her father, H. P. McCraney and A. B. Clabon. It burst fiercely from the start. The crowd on the streets cheered wildly when the flames first leaped up from the big pile.

A bonfire on the summit of Columbia and Kootenay mountain also added to the after-dark display. A concert was in progress at the opera house while the fireworks were being displayed. The program was as follows: 1. Overture. 2. Grand Jubilee March by Twelve Little Girls under direction of Professor O'Brien. 3. Recitation "Lasca". 4. Song "O Promise Me". 5. De Kovan. 6. Clarinet Solo. 7. Sonambula. 8. Song "Miss Edna Askin". 9. Recitation. 10. Song "Two Loves". 11. De Kovan. 12. Song "Miss Tuttle". 13. "God Save the Queen"—Sung by all present.

At 11 o'clock the Jubilee ball opened, Mayor Scott leading the grand march. The attendance was large and the merry dancers whirled away till the wee small hours of the morning to the lively music of the orchestra.

Northwest Mounted Police are leading the van with the life guards, and next to Her Majesty herself and the other members of the royal family, the most conspicuous figure in the entire procession is the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, premier of Canada, who, as a Canadian born and a Canadian in sentiment, will worthily represent our great Dominion.

"I congratulate the citizens of Rossland for the splendid enthusiasm and the noble manner in which they are displaying their loyalty to and affection for her most gracious majesty. We do not enjoy the advantages that larger and older cities have and consequently are not able to make as magnificent a display as we desire, yet we make up in the God enthusiasm of our rejoicings for any defect in other respects. While the inhabitants of every hamlet, village, town, and city throughout the British empire, which means all over the known universe, are celebrating this glad occasion, no people can rejoice more heartily than the residents of Rossland, in the heart of the vast mining district of the Kootenays.

The races and athletic sports on Columbia avenue formed the afternoon attraction. The events with names of the winners and value of the prizes follow: One hundred yards race, open to all—K. J. Morrow, first prize, \$10; Mike Foley, second prize, \$5. One hundred yards race for boys—Ray Founder, first prize, \$10; Lonnie Jackson, second prize, \$5. Girls race—Annie Moseida, first prize \$5; Bertha White, second prize, \$2. Back race for boys—Finnigan, first prize, \$5; N. Wilson, second prize, \$2. Three-legged race for boys—Jackson and Muir, first prize, \$5; Moseida and Shillock, second prize, \$2. Chinamen's race—Sing Lee, first prize, \$5; Lee Hung, second prize, \$2. Hop, step and jump—J. S. Gusty, first prize, \$5; C. C. Cassina, second prize, \$2. Running jump—J. S. Gusty, first prize, \$5; C. C. Cassina, second prize, \$2. Standing jump—J. S. Gusty, first prize \$5; C. C. Cassina, second prize \$2.

The horse racing, which was run on Columbia avenue from a point east of Lincoln street to Spokane street, Claude A. Oregan's Bippo, ridden by Gartham, won the first prize of \$40 by winning the first and second heats. Sorrel Joe, owned by Liveryman Lane, won second money, \$20, and Old Dick, entered by Dave Bannerman, took third money, \$10. The horses entered for the race were Sorrel Joe, Pioneer Billy, Old Dick, Sleeping Jim, Scotty, Bippo and Spunk. Messrs. A. B. Mackenzie, J. S. C. Fraser and Dr. Keller acted as judges. On Dominion day a special feature will be horse racing. It is expected that a purse of \$200 will be provided.

Soon after 7 o'clock the fire brigade brought out its apparatus and the coupling contest for a prize of \$25 was held. James Smith and Robt. Curry, of company No. 1, and James McLean and Paul Wilcox, of company No. 2, formed the competing teams. The first trial was unsatisfactory because some one unscrewed a coupling made by Wilcox and McLean before the judges could see whether or not three full threads had been screwed. In the second trial Smith and Curry finished in 35 1/2 seconds. The prize was awarded the No. 1 team, because the couplings made by the other team were not three full threads.

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Harry Myers was gored by a bull at his ranch on Howe sound, on Monday, and sustained terrible injuries.

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A GREAT WATERWAY.

It now appears to be established beyond doubt that a mining camp of exceptional richness has been opened near Trout lake in the Lardau country. The mine is within 12 or 15 miles of the head of Upper Arrow lake, so that the traffic arising from the operations to be carried on there will almost certainly come to the Columbia river. We call attention to this for the especial purpose of emphasizing the importance as a transportation highway of that portion of the Columbia river between Arrowhead and Trail. The distance is about 170 miles. Most of this is absorbed by the two Arrow lakes, which, as a matter of fact are wide and currentless stretches of the river.

One would hardly dare picture to himself the future possibilities of travel and traffic over this magnificent waterway. With the Canadian Pacific main line crossing at Revelstoke and the Crow's Nest line crossing at Robson, with mines, smelters, cities and towns scattered along at intervals between these two points, as well as above and below them, there will be a volume of business on this wonderful inland highway of astonishing magnitude.

Nature could hardly have been more considerate in doing her part in this work. The two Arrow lakes are ideal bodies of water for navigation. They have ample depth, are free from the storms and squalls which arise on more exposed waters, and have no currents to be overcome. For economic navigation they could not be surpassed. But the attractions of this route are not confined to purely economic conditions. The mountain scenery from Trail to Arrowhead is magnificent. In many instances the peaks rise to the height of from six to eight thousand feet and some of them are forever crowned with snow. The light blue color of the water of the lakes coupled with the ever changing scenes on the mountain walls on either side, make a panorama of dreamlike beauty.

As one watches the fleet steamers which now rush up and down the placid waters of these lakes, carrying tons of freight and crowds of passengers, he can but be impressed with the wonderful change wrought in the past half dozen years. In 1891 the peacefulness of the Arrow lakes was nearly undisturbed except by the canoe of an Indian fisherman, and even as late as 1894 there was but little business between Revelstoke and Trail. What will the next two or three years bring forth? We could not undertake to estimate it, but we expect to see one of the grandest exhibitions of commercial development ever witnessed on the continent.

A SHAMEFUL ACT.

The killing of the bill at Ottawa subsidizing the Columbia & Western extension from the Columbia river to Pentiction must be regarded as a positive disaster. There was but one expression heard upon the streets of Rossland yesterday concerning the matter, and that was one of deep regret, coupled with indignant denunciation of Dr. Milne, who, with his friends, thwarted the good intentions of the government.

As things have shaped themselves we do not see the least prospect for a railway into the Boundary country this year. None of the American railways have a charter to come into British Columbia. It has often been reported that Mr. Corbin, of the Spokane & Northern system, might go in there this year, but, as a matter of fact, Mr. Corbin has no charter. He has a congressional act permitting him to build across the Colville Indian reservation, but he could go no further than the international boundary.

Of course, there is not the least chance for Dr. Milne's Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern to build in from the coast. We can not discover that this crowd ever had the least prospect of building a railroad. All they have done was to get a charter and prevent the building of the Heinze road. In other words they have played the roll of wreckers. A cruel blow has been dealt to British Columbia by a sordid, selfish clique, who sought to rule or ruin. There will be but one sentiment about this sort of business, the more the people think about it the more indignant they will become.

The Boundary country, in many respects the finest portion of the province, must remain cut off from transportation. It will survive this unexpected blow, but business there will be greatly depressed, the people discouraged and the actual loss will be very great. The miners of Boundary have worked patiently through years of hardship to open their properties, and many

of these properties have magnificent showings, but all this work has been for naught so far as immediate returns are concerned.

Dr. Milne and his associates should never have been granted a charter by the provincial government. There could be no better illustration of the evil of giving railroad charters to people who have no financial backing than that furnished in the present instance. The only use to which the charter of the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern has been put was to kill another enterprise which would have been worth millions of dollars to the province.

BLOW TO THE PROVINCE.

The promoters of the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern railway have done incalculable injury to the province. At a time when the Dominion government stood ready to vote a handsome grant in aid of a railway from Robson to Pentiction they have, by a strict adherence to the rule or ruin policy, prevented any aid being given to anyone. They have deprived the Boundary country of all prospect of a Canadian railway this year.

Mr. Heinze and his associates were in a position, with the Dominion aid offered, to go on with their railway from Robson to Pentiction, while Dr. Milne and his associates did not have enough backing to build 10 miles of their projected line from the coast. Yet in spite of this Dr. Milne has, like a dog in the manger, succeeded in depriving the province of another and much needed railway just because the new railway was not to be owned and controlled by himself.

We trust the people of the coast will realize the injury their representative has done to the province at large, and will take steps to see that such hogs are not put in a position in the future, by being granted provincial charters, to do any more mischief along the same lines. By next session it may be impossible to induce the Dominion to grant any more aid to railways in this province, in which event a Canadian railway into the Boundary country may not be built for years.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Rossland Stock Quotations.

ROSSLAND, June 18. EDITOR MINER—Sir: We notice that owing to the dissolution of the Rossland stock exchange you have now gone back to your former plan of entrusting your daily stock quotations to the supervision of the Reddin-Jackson company, limited. This firm was, as you are aware, primarily responsible for the movement which after one failure succeeded in destroying the stock exchange, and it may therefore be assumed that the opinion of themselves and of their supporters the interests of the stock market are better protected by the Reddin-Jackson company limited, than by the organized efforts of the rest of the Rossland brokers.

We, however, who from the beginning have been of a different mind, may be pardoned for inquiring through the medium of your pages what are the rules of the game as conducted by the Reddin-Jackson company, limited. In the first place we wish to observe that Mr. Reddin and his supporters, and we his opponents, looked at the stock exchange question from two absolutely distinct points of view. They regarded the interests of the would-be seller of treasury shares and the unloader of promoters' stock. We, while most anxious not to interfere with the sale of treasury stock of properly managed companies, thought that some protection was due to the investor in the stock market, whose confidence had already been rudely shaken by such scandalous transactions as the attempt last fall to sell certain shares in the east at somewhat less than their price in this market. A double standard of this kind would, we claim, have been absolutely impossible had a stock exchange been in existence here at that time, and what we want to know now is how it is going to be prevented in the future.

Messrs. Reddin and Jackson were, we believe, supplying quotations for your columns at the time that this scheme was offered to the public, but their quotations being unofficial and more or less conjectural had no effect on the public mind, and did not save a thoroughly responsible Toronto broker from being implicated in the above mentioned disreputable affair. We have had from our correspondents in the east abundant proof that the existence of a stock exchange was regarded as some safeguard against such confidence tricks, and the remarks of your London correspondent in your issue of June 18th point in the same direction.

Will the Reddin-Jackson company inform us how they propose to protect the public from such schemes in the future? They and their supporters wrecked the exchange, an institution which undoubtedly acted in the interests of fair and square dealing all round. We fear that for the future the public will be left to look after themselves as they had to do last year. We should also like to know how Mr. Reddin creates his quotations. It may be supposed that in his own mind he has formulated some rules as to what number of shares shall be considered sufficient to establish a quotation. The market, as we all know, is dull and sales are rare, therefore he obtains his quotations from actual transactions and is left to a great extent to the unaided assistance of his own imagination. Nevertheless even the action of the imagination has some rules, and in this case we think that your readers have a right to inquire what these rules are.

For instance, are 5,000 shares of stock sufficient to establish a quotation, or is it to be 500? Is the number always the same every day and in every case, or does he guide himself by his preferences and partialities? Or again, according to what system do his fluctuations in prices occur? Why, for instance, in Monte Cristo stock quoted at 15 cents on Wednesday and at 2 1/2 cents on Thursday, a drop of 12 1/2 cents in a day? How long is this drop going on? Truly, the more we consider the subject the more impressed we are by the responsibilities assumed by your stock correspondent. Another thing we want to know is, what action is Mr. Reddin going to take with regard to quotations on pooled

stock? The late lamented institution, which he took so much pains to destroy, considered that the sale of pooled stock should be as far as possible prevented and formed special rules with that object in view. Mr. Reddin intend to quote pooled stock, or does he not? And if he does intend to quote pooled stock, what rules is he going to follow as to such quotations?

In conclusion we beg to draw the attention of those of your readers who take interest in such matters to the stock quotations as given in THE MINER of June 16, for instance, and those given on the same date by other papers. The prices in these lists are in many cases absolutely different, and, as we would not wish to be so uncomplimentary as to hint that one list is wrong and the other right, we think the most charitable thing to suppose is that all sets of quotations are matters of pure conjecture, prompted by the imagination of the brokers furnishing them. At the same time we may offer a new field for the energies of the speculator by suggesting that he should buy from THE MINER's correspondent and sell to the other parties, or vice versa, as the case may be. Trusting that you will favor us with some reply to our questions, we are, sir, yours faithfully,

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[THE MINER'S position is simply this: The public is entitled to the best information we can give it as to the price of stocks in the local market. When an exchange was being operated in Rossland we gave the quotations of that exchange. So long as the Spokane exchange continued, and it began before the Rossland exchange and survived that institution a few weeks, we had its quotations telegraphed to us daily by our Spokane correspondent and published them for the information of our readers. The only quotations at present available are those of some firm. If those we are publishing are not found satisfactory we are quite willing to discontinue them; but would suggest to the brokers who signed the above complaint that instead of trying at our expense to furnish the public with approximate prices on stocks it would be more becoming if they would organize some sort of an exchange that would furnish which the public would recognize as above suspicion.

With regard to the point made about the quotations of THE MINER "having no effect" last September on the price of Palo Alto and the fact that when these were sold in Toronto for twice the Rossland price, we would point out that neither stock was quoted in our columns as neither company had perfected its title to its property at that time. We regret to hear that the attention of the Reddin-Jackson company to the several questions propounded above. We see no reason why they should not give the public the information asked for.—Ed.

How to Restore Confidence.

NANAIMO, June 12. EDITOR MINER—Sir: You have done much to help along the market, and your best try and keep it on a straight business line, but mistakes have been made, some through the application of ordinary business methods, some through the anxiety of some to get rich too soon. We have seen many companies formed to work good claims or prospects cannot sell treasury stock to enable them to do so, and no wonder. After the first rush and excitement the investing public stops to think, and many find their investments would have been good ones, and may stock, and does not give time to develop, yet, if nothing had been done to stop the sale of treasury shares, on which development depends; and this has been done by the promoters, who instead of doing so, in many instances, flooded the market with their own stock, and often at prices below that at which the treasury shares were being sold. This is enough to kill any proposition. Now for the remedy. Companies owning good claims or prospects should at once call a meeting, and agree to tie up the promoters' and other shares except treasury, for a period of not less than one or two years, or until such time as the properties are on a paying basis. For a less period is useless. Six months is no use, it soon goes by and does not give time to develop. There is no use doing this unless you let the public know you have done it (they will appreciate it and buy shares of those who do); therefore, fresh prospectuses should be issued making this feature and at the same time stating the work done to date, amount of treasury shares still unsold and any other facts that would tend to give confidence.

As the matter stands at present promoters' shares are not worth much and never will be, unless something as outlined above is done, therefore there is nothing to lose, but something to gain by doing as suggested. It is in the best interests of promoters and public alike. I am in the business and wish to see it conducted on fair business lines and on lines that the investing public can clearly understand. This is the one way to restore confidence which has been rudely shaken. As this will be read by many who know me, they must not think I am presuming to teach them their business, but give me credit for writing in the interests of all connected with mining as I am myself in many parts of British Columbia. Apologizing for the length of this. Yours truly,

THOMAS KITCHIN.

CRUEL SCOTICA.

Incessant Pain—Tormented—Racked—Life Despaired of. John Marshall, Varney P. O., county of Grey, writes these words: "For two years I was completely laid up with sciatica. I doctored without any permanent relief. I had given up hope. A friend saw a notice of a cure of what does he guide himself by his preferences and partialities? Or again, according to what system do his fluctuations in prices occur? Why, for instance, in Monte Cristo stock quoted at 15 cents on Wednesday and at 2 1/2 cents on Thursday, a drop of 12 1/2 cents in a day? How long is this drop going on? Truly, the more we consider the subject the more impressed we are by the responsibilities assumed by your stock correspondent. Another thing we want to know is, what action is Mr. Reddin going to take with regard to quotations on pooled

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Trail Refinery Sent Its First Bullion to Rossland Yesterday.

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TRAIL, June 18.—[Special.]—The first gold bullion produced in the Trail refinery was run out last night, and four big gold bricks were the result. In shape they were considerably wider and longer than ordinary building bricks, but in thickness they were somewhat thinner. Stamped with their assay value, the big blocks of precious metal were awarded to Rossland this morning, in the care of two trusted messengers.

Though only in operation a few days, during which time purely experimental work has been carried on, the refinery has proved a splendid success. The process in use is based on the application of acids to the matte. The matte, before being sent to the refinery, is rendered of the highest grade possible. The ore is first sent through the blast after which the matte is run through the hand-roaster, the matte furnace and the blast again before it reaches the refinery. There it is sent through a reverberatory furnace, after which the matte, by this time freed from nearly all of the sulphur and most of the slag, is put in lead vats and treated to strong acid baths which extract the gold and the silver, leaving the copper mixed with whatever slag has remained in it during the process.

For the present the Trail refinery will subtract the gold and silver. The copper, still mixed with impurities, may be separated and sent to Swansea, England, for treatment. It is to the latter place that the Nelson smelter is sending its copper.

Local Gossip. The long distance telephone which will connect Trail with Spokane and the coast is installed in the telephone office, but the wire connection has not been made. In about two weeks the line will be completed, and Trail people then have a chance to talk to the States if they can stand the tariff which in the case of Spokane will be 50 cents for the first half minute and 25 cents for each 30 seconds thereafter.

The Trail, the Lytton and the Nakusp will soon be alternately docked at Nakusp for repairs. The boats will be thoroughly overhauled and refitted.

Captain Brown of Waneta is ill. The attending physician hesitates to say what is troubling his patient.

The Mary Farley, a clam on the side of the highway below town, is being worked by a crew of four men, in charge of Fred Hesselwood. A 25-foot shaft has already been sunk and \$500 more will be spent. The property is owned by Brantford people.

The public schools closed today. Julius Peterson of the Crown Point hotel, who was laid up with appendicitis, is around again.

The rain of last night left a coating of snow on the highest summits along the valley. The railroad will make a rate of \$1 for the round trip between Trail and Rossland on the occasion of the Queen's Jubilee. The mail train is going on Monday and Tuesday and returning on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Le Roi mine has received at Trail the press and lathe for its new machine shops. J. S. Nesbitt, the electrician for the smelter, was called to Victoria today by a telegram announcing the death of his mother.

On a recent run one of the Columbia & Western trains made the last time of 44 minutes between the smelter and Rossland. Passenger travel on the road is very good.

IRON MASK COMPANY.

Corbin Syndicate Bought Clark and Finch's Interest at 20 Cents a Share. Spokane Spokesman-Review: A sale of 100,000 shares of stock in the Iron Mask mine at Rossland was made yesterday, the consideration being \$20,000, or 20 cents per share. During the life of the stock exchange Iron Mask was held pretty stiff at 40 to 45 cents, though the last quotation before the exchange closed was 38 cents. This sale shows considerable of a decrease, but there are two reasons for it: First, the block of stock was unusually large, and second, it was purchased from holders who, owing to internal dissensions with the controlling interests, were anxious to let go.

The stock was purchased from Patrick Clark and John A. Finch, and was secured by the syndicate now at the head of the mine, consisting of Austin Corbin II, E. J. Roberts, J. F. Herrick and others.

President Corbin said last night that the property was looking better than it ever had, and that it had been shipped about 20 tons a day. "Now that we have secured this interest," he said, "it is our intention to suspend shipments for a few days until we can 'clean up' as it were, and start out anew. That we are well pleased with the Iron Mask mine, I have already proven by the fact that we have increased our holdings in it."

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Thrilling Experience of a Lone Prospector on Murphy Creek.

SHUT IN HIS OWN CABIN

When He Came Off Shift Mrs. Bruin and Family Were Making a Call—All Stories About Murphy Creek Bears Are True.

J. Kennedy has just come in from the middle fork of Murphy creek, loaded to the ears with bear stories. He says that there is an epidemic of bears in that section and that it has come to a matter of who can hold out the longest, the bears or the prospectors, with the chances in favor of the former.

Before Kennedy added his testimony to that of the several who had preceded him with accounts of their wonderful experiences with bruin, those who had listened to the stories felt horrible suspicions concerning the veracity of the narrators, floating about in their minds.

But Kennedy has a reputation above all things, for truthfulness. It is reported of him that even when a boy of five years he would not let his mother tell railroad conductors that he was under her arm, in order to save paying half fare for him.

"Prospectors and miners have quit trying to keep provisions out there. I went out last week with \$40 worth of grub and left it in the May Walker cabin. When I returned to the cabin at night the whole \$40 worth was gone."

"I came back to town and bought a lot more grub and packed it to the cabin. When I left the place I locked the doors and barred the windows. That evening about 6 o'clock I started back to the shack. I approached it from the rear and couldn't see the front but I was sure everything was as secure as it was in the morning.

"There, on the floor with the victuals and cubs all around her, was an old she bear. She was so busy chewing that she didn't see me. I guess it was a good thing I saw her first. Before I could get out of sight she turned and I didn't have a firearm of any description so I retreated.

"I ran around the back way, climbed up on a lot of boxes, and then on to the roof of the shack. The old bear was hot after me, but she hesitated about leaving her offspring to get up on the cabin. I took advantage of her hesitation, and running to the far corner of the cabin, jumped and landed inside the door after me. The lock had been broken by the bear in getting in. For a moment I was in hopes that she had departed.

"I just put my back to the door and waited, wondering what kind of a tit-bit I would make without sauce or seasoning. But the door was so strongly braced that it held and I began to feel safe. After a few more vain attempts to break in, the bear stood on a tour round the shack in quest of an opening. She found none and came back to the old stand. Sitting down, she seemed to be engaged in a profound fit of meditation. I knew I was the subject of her thoughts. A fellow that never has been the object of a bear's thoughts can hardly realize the despondency that crept over me.

"Every now and then, she would walk to the door, take a few heavy sniffs and then do some more thinking. I decided to adopt measures to get rid of the disagreeable visitor and after pondering a few minutes hit upon a plan I heard of years ago. Getting two big tin pans from the shelf over the stove I advanced to the door and began to beat them together. The cubs set up a lively whining and the old bear looked puzzled. It was getting dark and I hoped she would move off at once.

"I had been a great sufferer from indigestion and dyspepsia. I tried many remedies, but obtained very little relief. I saw South American Nerveine advertised, and concluded to give it a trial, and I must say I consider it a very best medicine. I have ever used. I obtained great relief from the first few doses. I have only used two bottles and am happy to say it has made a new man of me. I strongly recommend it to fellow sufferers." C. PEAROE, Dry Goods Merchant, Forest, Ont.

As many as four and five bears are seen daily along the middle fork of

Murphy. Bear traps may eventually have a good sale in this region as mining machinery.

Our Bear Story Criticized.

The Rossland Evening Dodger will say tonight: "The Morning Mistake has added to its stock of wonderful discoveries, the discovery of bears on the middle fork of Murphy creek. The Christopher Columbus who discovers things for the Mistake, has included the usual percentage of errors in the conglomeration of bad grammar, misspelled words and rank lies that are intended for a bear story. He neglects to say how many cubs were with the old bear; whether Mr. Kennedy is married or single; Catholic or Protestant and how much the bear weighed. He also fails to state exactly how much of Mr. Kennedy's provisions the bear ate and whether or not Mr. Kennedy prayed before he went to sleep after the bear departed.

"All through the miserable excuse for an item which the Mistake dishes up for its eight or ten deluded readers, these mistakes of omission occur. Then again in several places the discoverer, who knows more about milking cows than he does about the English language, makes Mr. Kennedy say that 'he saw' such and such a thing when any school boy knows that 'he seen' is correct.

"This story is quite in keeping with the policy of the Morning Mistake, which never misses an opportunity of injuring Rossland."

GOLD CUP GROUP BONDED.

Smith and Whiteman Will Place a Lot of Properties in London.

Smith and Whiteman have bonded for \$7,500 a half interest in the Gray Hawk, Gold Cup, Gold Button and Iron King, and a one-third interest in the Tyler Hill, Copper Cup and Copper Hill. These claims compose the Gold Cup group and are situated on the Pend d'Oreille range, six miles south of Beaver, in order to save paying half fare for him.

Mr. Whiteman will leave for London in about three weeks to open an office there. His purpose is to place the Gold Cup group as well as other properties bonded by the firm on the English market. Mr. Whiteman would be greatly obliged for good ore specimens from the Rossland and other camps of British Columbia for display in the London office of the firm.

Besides the Gold Cup group, Messrs Smith and Whiteman own or have bonded the Imperial on Porcupine creek; the Washington and Merry Day on Sullivan creek; the Mammoth, joining the Aaron group, at Waterloo; the Western Slope and Gold Leaf Fraction on Ben Hassan mountain, North Fork of Salmon; Marcus and Salomon, near the fork of North Fork of Salmon, near the Porto Rico; the Dean, Canterbury and Cathedral in same vicinity, and several other less well known properties.

WILD HORSE COMPANY.

Working With Good Results on Commonwealth and Nebraska Girl.

When R. A. Dickson, the well known barrister of Toronto, was in Rossland some weeks ago, he became president of the Wild Horse Gold Mining company, which has a number of claims situated on Wild Horse, Porcupine and Quartz creeks, near the town of Ymir.

One of these claims, known as the Commonwealth, has been worked for some time and has a good body of ore about 28 inches wide, which assays from \$18 to \$22 in gold. A shaft is being sunk on the vein and the bottom looks exceedingly well. The ore is a brown quartz, very thoroughly mineralized, showing iron pyrites and small particles of galena.

A shaft is soon to be started on the M. E. F., another claim belonging to the company, and for some time a force of men have been working on the Nebraska Girl, a third property. This claim shows a body of highly oxidized vein matter about two feet wide between perfect walls. The assays show an average value of \$10, chiefly in silver. The bottom of the shaft now shows some galena and it is believed solid galena will come in as soon as the oxidized matter goes out. The company has excellent financial backing.

North Fork of Salmon Mines.

S. L. Myers has returned from Craigtown, on the North Fork of Salmon river, where he went to do the assessment work on the Walker. He brought in some of the ore from the claim, and it looks very well. He has found a well defined ledge. The same ledge runs through the Second Relief, which has 18 inches of ore in sight, that has an average value of \$35 in gold. On the other side is the Good Hope, which also has good ore, the average gold value being over \$40. The Little Jo, another claim near the Walker, has a fine body of work until now. He did not know the value of the ore, but says the body is about three feet wide.

Abe Lincoln Starts Work.

Five men have been put to work on the Abe Lincoln, a claim in the south belt, adjoining the Phoenix on the west. The property is owned by the Abe Lincoln company, of which A. A. Phillips, of Olympia, Wash., is president. The company has been incorporated for some time, but has done no development of treasury stock was sold and the company is said to be in good condition. The first work will be in the way of surface prospecting, in order to find the best place to begin permanent development work.

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EXPENSES CUT DOWN

Mayor Scott Insists on a Policy of Economy.

OFFICES TO BE ABOLISHED

Assessor's Office Amalgamated With License Inspector's After Present Roll is Completed—Other Economies Decided On—\$500 for the Jubilee.

The axe of economy was wielded by the city council last Friday. Hereafter there will be no time keeper at \$4 per day on street work. The foreman will get \$100 a month instead of \$5 a day. There will be no such office as that of assessor after the present assessment roll is made up. When the police appointments are made, the office of sanitary inspector will be abolished and the police will attend to the work done by that official.

The matter of abolishing the office of assessor by consolidating it with that of the license inspector, came up soon after the resignation of A. N. Paterson, assessor and collector, was read. On motion of Alderman Fraser the resignation was accepted. The mayor then repeated his former statement to the effect that the license inspector could do the assessor's work and that the office of the latter should be abolished, thus saving the city \$125 per month. He also made the suggestion about the police attend to the work now done by the sanitary inspector which would save another \$100 per month.

Cooper For Assessor.

Alderman Fraser rose and nominated Maj. W. H. Cooper for assessor and collector, Alderman McPherson seconding the nomination. "I realize that the city should be spared every possible expense," said Alderman Fraser, "but just at present the matter of getting a prompt assessment is very important, and the entire time of one man is needed to do the work within the stipulated limit. People outside want to know the assessed valuation of the town, and the banks also desire the information."

Alderman Wallace agreed with the mayor, that the saving would be accomplished if possible, and advocated the consolidation of the offices of assessor and collector with that of license commissioner. Alderman Fraser declared that it would be too much work for one man. "I think license inspector Barr can do the work of both offices," replied Alderman Wallace.

"Mr. Barr has told me that he will not fill both jobs," said Alderman Fraser. "The assessing has to be done within three weeks and he has enough to do collecting licenses. It is approaching the time when the licenses will have to be paid for a half year, and Mr. Barr will be busy attending to that."

Mayor Speaks Plainly.

Mayor Scott spoke next. "I have had experience in these matters before," he said. "The affairs of a city ought to be as economically conducted as our personal business affairs. I have found that the difference between success and failure in a business is in the management. For that reason we ought to manage the city's affairs so that the expenditures will be as small as possible. When I hire a man to do a day's work I expect him to do 9 out of 10 per cent. and not one out of 10. Inspector Barr is a thoroughly competent official and he is capable of doing the work of assessing together with his other duties. It may keep him busy, but we expect him to be busy. So far as the collecting of taxes is concerned, we can assign a day for the payment of taxes in the city offices. With the city clerk, stenographer and myself we can manage that all right. If necessary I am prepared to collect the taxes myself."

Alderman Johnson asked that the matter be laid over until the next meeting. Alderman Wallace opposed delay. He declared it to be a matter of dollars and cents to the city. Alderman Fraser reported that Inspector Barr could not attend to the duties of both offices. If he had been compelled to look after the assessing during the past month he couldn't have collected the \$2,000 which he has turned into the city from licenses," asserted Alderman Fraser. "Finally he consented to the word 'collector' from his motion, and amend it further by providing that Major Cooper be appointed assessor to complete the present assessment roll. When the roll is completed, the assessor's office will be combined with the office of license inspector. The nomination was unanimously approved."

Alderman McPherson moved that James McLaughlin be appointed street foreman at a salary of \$100 per month. The motion carried. McLaughlin will take the timekeeping which has heretofore been done by Frank Raymer at a salary of \$4 per day. J. G. Cameron has been acting as street foreman.

The Jubilee Appropriation.

The matter of an appropriation for Jubilee day was brought up by Alderman Johnson, who stated that the committee had obtained \$630 in subscription. As the program for the day will cost \$1,010, the alderman thought the council ought to give about \$500. Alderman Wallace made a motion that the council donate that amount. Alderman Johnson seconded it and the motion carried by acclamation.

TO ROSSLAND'S CITY FATHERS.

Ye Rossland Gods in council high, Give ear to duties of our city, Behold those wretches at thy feet, In pity, mercy to them meet. In days that are gone by Beneath the lash heaved sadder sigh Than he whom fate has driven mad. Employed for his wants to mete. Boast, if you will, of Christian creeds, Of honest acts and manly deeds. Then tell me, is it right that men be whipped around by scratch of pen? Give ear then to whom you may, But stay no man upon his way Whom fate has driven mad. Don't try to make his misery more. —ROSSLAND LABORER. Rossland, June 14, 1897.

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PASSED THE HOUSE

On Minister Blair's Motion the Crow's Nest Resolution Was Carried.

GALA DAY FOR KOOTENAY

Rossland Increased Blair's Faith in His Country—Cartwright's Roseate Predictions—Smelter Question Settled, Says Bostock.

[From our Special Correspondent.] OTTAWA, Ont., June 18.—Minister Blair in the house today moved his resolution regarding the Crow's Nest Pass railway. He explained the proposition at length, speaking for about an hour. He dwelt on the necessity of the government doing what it could by the promotion of such enterprises to help develop the country. He quoted from the report of Professor Geise, an officer of the German government, which was a valuable document dealing with the mineral resources and timber lands of British Columbia, and the advantage of close proximity to Alberta to obtain supplies. Mr. Blair spoke at length on the coal lands and the measures taken to prevent a monopoly of the same. He referred to his visit to Rossland and the Pacific coast, and said that he returned home feeling as to the future of the country as he never felt before. (Cheers.) "I had greater confidence in the country than I had ever realized before," he said in conclusion.

Trupper Approves It. Sir Charles Trupper started out by extending his warm approval to the statements and propositions made by Blair. (Cheers.) He wanted the road built as speedily as possible, and didn't believe in criticizing its details too much. He spoke of the great good of the C. P. R., and said that he wanted to see the railway built from Nelson to Pentiction. A road to Pentiction was necessary.

Rossland Will Attract Population. Sir Richard Cartwright spoke briefly, but to the point. He thought the bargain on the whole was a good one. When this railway was constructed there would be 10 mines paying dividends in Rossland for every one now there. The road would bring large immigration to the Northwest and British Columbia, and develop goldfields, such as sent the Australian colonies ahead by leaps and bounds.

The Feeling in England. There was a feeling in Britain which Canada ought to take advantage of. It was not a selfish and greedy way in which Canada had acted as it did in favor of the mother country or in sending such representatives as it did to the Jubilee, but it was evident that the success of these movements had been most gratifying. Never was Canada in so high a position or occupied so much attention as at present. There was no doubt but that the country would be paid back many times over and very soon for all the money they were putting in the enterprise.

Robertson Opposed the Grant. Robertson, of Toronto, made a strong speech against the bargain. The Canadian Pacific was getting too much and the country too little. The Canadian Pacific would continue squeezing the last drop of blood from the settlers, leaving them only sufficient to keep them from dying. The liberals owed more to the people than to the Canadian Pacific and he was surprised that they did not take advantage of their opportunities.

Smelter Question Settled. Mr. Bostock, the member for Kootenay, said that the road was of immense importance to his constituents. It settled the important question as to smelters. At present there was great difficulty in getting fuel for smelters. It was a question in Rossland as to whether the smelters were to be built on the Canadian or the American side of the line. The building of the Crow's Nest railway would settle the matter. Smelters would now be built on the Canadian side.

He read from THE ROSSLAND MINER statistics showing the great development of mines in Kootenay and pointing to the great future of the country. The expenditure for railways would be a paying investment. As an instance of the growth in East Kootenay he pointed out that without any special circumstances Fort Steele had 250 inhabitants on January 30 and 1,000 today. By waiting a little longer it might be possible to get better terms out of the Canadian Pacific, but he was against de-Under all the circumstances the government had made the best bargain that it could.

Kick From the Coast. Mr. McInnes favored government control. If it were necessary to give a subsidy to the company it was unfortunate that the C. P. R. should have got it. The Canadian Pacific had made a good bargain. The people on the coast were opposed to a railway connection from the coast into Kootenay. The merchants on the coast should also have the same advantage from the reductions on freight into Kootenay as the merchants from the east had. It had been said that an Irish American was going to get the contract. The agreement should provide against that. One thing was clear, namely, that if the Canadian Pacific built the road it would be done by Asiatic labor. The agreement should prevent that.

Foster complained of the period of the session that the resolution had been brought down. 100 Miles Built This Year. Blair stated that 100 miles of the railway would be completed by January next. The following year 200 miles would be built by January 1, 1899. On completion of the road to Kootenay lake the cars would be run to Nelson. The price of building the road would be \$25,000 or \$26,000 per mile, taking it all over the 330 miles.

The Coal Lands Agreement. The coal lands were the property of the British Columbia Coal company, but the agreement in regard to these coal lands was with the British Columbia Southern, and the latter would deal with the coal company. McInnes gave notice of an amendment that the same privilege in regard to the reduction in freight rates be given to places in the west as in the east. Blair said he would consider this. McInnes moved a resolution that no Chinese or Japs be employed on the road. This was voted down and the main resolution adopted.

NO GRANT THIS YEAR

Heinze Will Get No Aid for His Road to Pentiction.

DR. MILNE ALONE TO BLAME

Dominion Government Stood Ready to Vote the Subsidy But the Coast Railway Promoters Backed Out of Their Agreement With Heinze.

[From our Special Correspondent.] OTTAWA, Ont., June 17.—Although the Dominion government was anxious to subsidize a railway as far as Pentiction this year, and although the eastern members were ready to vote for such a proposition, the whole matter has been finally abandoned on account of the conduct of some parties promoting the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern railway, who could not get all they wanted from the promoters of the Columbia & Western railway.

It is just as well that the people of British Columbia should know the facts. As stated in this correspondence last night an arrangement was reached by which the whole railway committee was going to pass both bills today, all interests in the coast road being amalgamated with the Columbia & Western railway for certain considerations. The whole thing was in the hands of a lawyer's office here last night. Dr. Milne got pretty much what he had in the first instance suggested.

TO STANDARD GAUGE

Orders Sent to Trail to Widen the Columbia & Western.

[From our Special Correspondent.] OTTAWA, Ont., June 17.—It has been given out here, on apparently the best authority, that instructions have been sent to Trail to at once begin the work of changing the gauge of the Columbia & Western railway between Trail and Rossland to the standard width. It is stated that the object of the change is to enable the C. P. R. to get its freight through to Rossland without breaking bulk, which it will be able to do so soon as this change is made and the standard gauge line of the Columbia & Western from Trail to Rossland is completed. I have been trying to see some of the promoters of the Columbia & Western tonight without success, and cannot therefore learn whether the failure to get a subsidy for the line from Rossland to Pentiction will make any change in the plan regarding the line between Trail and Rossland.

It is the belief here now that Rossland will be the terminus of the Crow's Nest line for some time to come, as the extension to Pentiction seems to be out of the question for a year or two at least.

BEST IN SOUTH BELT

New Ledge on the Sunset Shows Two Feet of 840 Ore.

The Sunset No. 2 has the richest body of copper ore ever opened in the south belt, and one of the richest ever opened in the Rossland camp. The miner has already made mention of the discovery on this property of a vein of copper ore. A shaft was started on the hanging wall side and has been run down about 20 feet on the outside of the ore body. Last week a crosscut was run through to the footwall and the whole of the ore which had been left standing was broken down. Though only a foot wide at the top it was fully two feet wide at the bottom of the shaft, which now presents a very handsome appearance.

Both walls are smooth and regular, and the ore between them is clean and solid. Assays show the copper contents to be from 22 1/2 to 23 1/2 per cent; gold from \$8 to \$26, and the silver about 18 ounces. This makes the total average value not far from \$40 per ton. The discovery of this new vein adds greatly to the value of the Sunset property, for every pound of the ore taken from this vein can be shipped at a great profit. The shaft will be continued on the ore chute now opened, and at the depth of 50 or 100 feet a drift change in west on the vein. In the meantime surface work is being done to prove the continuity of the ledge.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT ODY.

Levy's Hotel Totally Destroyed on Thursday Night.

SANDON, June 18.—[Special.]—Last night about 10 o'clock Thomas Levy's hotel at Ody, was totally destroyed by fire with all the contents, including a large stock of liquors and cigars. The fire was caused by the explosion of a lamp on the first floor of the house and although the occupants of the house, who were all asleep on the second floor, were awakened by the explosion, the fire spread so rapidly that all escape was cut off before they realized their danger. There were five occupants including Mr. and Mrs. Levy, who are quite aged, who made their escape by jumping from the second story windows in their night clothes. Mrs. Levy was seriously injured by the fall, but will probably recover, while Mr. Levy suffered severe burns about the head and face. His hair and eyebrows were burned off and he was otherwise disfigured. The other three occupants escaped with but little injury. The loss is estimated at about \$4000, with no insurance.

KIDNEY WAR.

How Insidiously it Wages, and how Quick the Surrender, and how the Flag of Truce is Hurdled Hoisted when that Great General, South American Kidney Cure, Turns His Guns on the Disease.

This is what James Sullivan, of Chatham, Ont., writes: "For years I was a great sufferer from kidney trouble. The disease became so acute that I was confined to the house, and was greatly afflicted with insomnia. I was persuaded after using many other remedies without relief to procure a bottle of South American Kidney Cure. I had relied almost from the first dose. I have persisted in its use, and after using six bottles I am well and strong again. I can work fourteen hours out of twenty-four and feel very little, if any, fatigue. It is the best medicine I ever used." Sold by McLean & Morrow.

GRAND FORKS NEWS NOTES.

Tenderloin District Regulated by the Scavenger Bylaw—Bonita Tunnel. GRAND FORKS, June 16.—[Special.]—The city council has amended bylaw No. 2, relative to liquor licenses, in so far as it relates to the brewery, and under the bylaw, as it now stands, the brewery can sell beer in any quantity, instead of in quantities of not less than two gallons, as originally provided. Bylaw No. 3, relative to the city scavenger's duties, has been passed through the third reading, and will undoubtedly receive the signature of Mayor Manly, who returned last night from Rossland. This bylaw, besides dictating the regular duties of the city scavenger, provides for the regulation of the tenderloin district by the city council. Provision is made for having all the houses of a ward inspected, and the scattering ones have been notified to move within 24 hours.

MAIN LEDGE IS LOW GRADE

Surface Exploration on the Cross Vein Has Exposed Clean Sulphide Ore Averaging \$10 in Gold—Company Owns Group of Four Claims.

Dabney & Parker have received most encouraging news from the Keystone group, of whose development they have charge. The Keystone group is situated about 18 miles northwest of Rossland and six miles west of McCormick's Landing on the Lower Arrow lake. The group consists of the Keystone, Yellowstone, Gladstone and Blackstone. The main vein crops strongly on the Keystone and runs from north to south. There is a cross vein which intersects the main vein on the Keystone and shows all through the Blackstone. A shaft has been sunk on the hanging wall of the main vein and the vein is almost solid pyrrhotite. This ore is low grade, running only about \$6 in gold. The showing on the surface at this point is enormous and the shaft by no means represents the width of the ore chute. A good deal of prospecting has recently been done on the cross vein which runs almost east and west, and it is from this vein that ore of better grade has been obtained. Several open crosscuts have been run at points along the vein, and it has an average width of about eight feet with solid pyrrhotite nearly all the way across. Some of this pyrrhotite brought in to the office of Dabney & Parker looks very much like the Kootenay and Columbia ores of this camp. It is a clean, smooth grained ore of grayish color, and has a heavy excess of iron, so that it would be valuable for smelting purposes. Assays have shown the average value to be about \$10 in gold. The fine appearance of the ore leaves very little doubt about an improvement in its gold value when further depth is secured.

The Keystone company will proceed with the work of development by continuing the shaft on the main vein and south ledge, and will also continue to explore the east and west cross vein. There is a very good trail from McCormick's landing up to the property, and supplies can be taken in without great expense.

AVERAGES ABOUT \$50.

Ore Body at the Triumph's Discovery Stake Is of Shipping Grade.

Some time ago the managers of the Victory-Triumph company discovered in prospecting the Triumph claim on Sophie mountain that the ore body at the discovery stake, which is about 1,200 feet from the Victory line, carried excellent gold values. D. B. Bogie brought in some capping from this showing which contained a good deal of iron and copper, and had it assayed. Much to his surprise it went \$22 in gold alone. Since then some work has been done at that point and the ore body has been to a certain extent, exposed. On Thursday an expert visited the property for the purpose of making a report on it. He sampled this showing very thoroughly and his assays showed gold values of \$40 to \$50. This is shipping ore and the company therefore intends to do some extensive development work at this point. The ore so far is decomposed quartz. The width of the ledge is not yet apparent.

Le Roi Smelter Site.

Spokane Spokesman Review: Colonel Peyton of the Le Roi returned last night, having been in the east purchasing machinery for the Le Roi smelter. This evening a meeting of the company will be held and the subject of a location will be discussed and will perhaps be determined. Should no selection be made this evening it is likely the members of the company will go north Monday to look into the subject further.

RUINED A YOUNG GIRL.

Spokane Police Want a Man Named Smead—May Be Burglar Too.

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Dabney & Parker have received most encouraging news from the Keystone group, of whose development they have charge. The Keystone group is situated about 18 miles northwest of Rossland and six miles west of McCormick's Landing on the Lower Arrow lake. The group consists of the Keystone, Yellowstone, Gladstone and Blackstone. The main vein crops strongly on the Keystone and runs from north to south. There is a cross vein which intersects the main vein on the Keystone and shows all through the Blackstone. A shaft has been sunk on the hanging wall of the main vein and the vein is almost solid pyrrhotite. This ore is low grade, running only about \$6 in gold. The showing on the surface at this point is enormous and the shaft by no means represents the width of the ore chute. A good deal of prospecting has recently been done on the cross vein which runs almost east and west, and it is from this vein that ore of better grade has been obtained. Several open crosscuts have been run at points along the vein, and it has an average width of about eight feet with solid pyrrhotite nearly all the way across. Some of this pyrrhotite brought in to the office of Dabney & Parker looks very much like the Kootenay and Columbia ores of this camp. It is a clean, smooth grained ore of grayish color, and has a heavy excess of iron, so that it would be valuable for smelting purposes. Assays have shown the average value to be about \$10 in gold. The fine appearance of the ore leaves very little doubt about an improvement in its gold value when further depth is secured.

The Keystone company will proceed with the work of development by continuing the shaft on the main vein and south ledge, and will also continue to explore the east and west cross vein. There is a very good trail from McCormick's landing up to the property, and supplies can be taken in without great expense.

AVERAGES ABOUT \$50.

Ore Body at the Triumph's Discovery Stake Is of Shipping Grade.

Some time ago the managers of the Victory-Triumph company discovered in prospecting the Triumph claim on Sophie mountain that the ore body at the discovery stake, which is about 1,200 feet from the Victory line, carried excellent gold values. D. B. Bogie brought in some capping from this showing which contained a good deal of iron and copper, and had it assayed. Much to his surprise it went \$22 in gold alone. Since then some work has been done at that point and the ore body has been to a certain extent, exposed. On Thursday an expert visited the property for the purpose of making a report on it. He sampled this showing very thoroughly and his assays showed gold values of \$40 to \$50. This is shipping ore and the company therefore intends to do some extensive development work at this point. The ore so far is decomposed quartz. The width of the ledge is not yet apparent.

Le Roi Smelter Site.

Spokane Spokesman Review: Colonel Peyton of the Le Roi returned last night, having been in the east purchasing machinery for the Le Roi smelter. This evening a meeting of the company will be held and the subject of a location will be discussed and will perhaps be determined. Should no selection be made this evening it is likely the members of the company will go north Monday to look into the subject further.

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A RED LETTER

Nelson Intends to Day Celebration

SQUATTERS

Government is Doing Them—Their Rights Affected by Recent Grand Jury Verdict. NELSON, June 23.—Preparations are being made for the celebration of Dominion Day, and it promises to be ever held in West Kootenay. Many people from Rossland are expected to be in attendance, special train service made. Mr. Corbin's special train from Rossland on July 1, and return on July 2, for not granting the port. The people of Rossland are understood to be disappointed and connected with Nelson. As yet no proceeding against the Nelson government seems to be inclined to leave matters alone. Although no official statement is understood, it is understood that the superintendent himself to the press on public lands, of the act which they acquired their rights became a law. It is further action will squatters allowed to on the lands are put up on auction.

Grand Jury's

made its final present charged. The language was strong, and "Having examined the sanitary arrangements, the ventilation and the points out that during it has been necessary to prisoners in each government to provide. "We consider it a trial and the province present assize, a price a true bill for murder has been allowed to in broad daylight. The considerable amount of money attached hereto in forwarded to the. We are of the opinion that the meeting of an amateur instead of. We refer more especially in the jail. "We understand government has provided which is at present shed. We would suggest building for its receipt courthouse, where, accommodations for provided. "The government years ago, is now and further is totally present requirements. New Find About A. Moher and L. night from a trip to between Ainsworth to have located a 15-lying in slate that called away feet. The rock pyrites and although made it is believed to in gold and silver. 2,500 feet above that night the plans of the system were submitted. Washed Out Six Revelstoke Mill: O the east over the open western side. Since Thursday the was caused by a clod Head creek, which filled and Devil's lake to a marvellously short did an immense amount According to the Gold over swept away six feet, including the Head and Calgary by tion, it adds, was 27 miles and five passengers were d where they were car many. Canmore was ion, and at Antrim, Neill's mine were mine filled. The Supt. Whyte at the making big efforts to and raise the block duced the situation transfer through traffic morrow or Monday largest blockades of the line.

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