

THE MINING REVIEW

The Addition of the Monte Christo to the Shipping List.

AN INPORTANT EVENT

Shipments for the Week Continue to Pass the 2,000-Ton Mark—Development on the Deer Park—Work on the Columbia & Kootenay.

The event of the past week, and indeed of the past month, was the announcement that the Monte Christo will join the list of steady shippers, with a daily output of not less than 50 tons. The surprisingly satisfactory development of the mine has been no less gratifying to the shareholders in the company than to the large number of people who are interested in other properties on Monte Christo mountain, for it shows that it is bound to produce properties hardly less valuable than the great mines on Reid mountain.

The shipments for the week amounted to 2,038 tons, divided as follows: Le Roi, 1,391; War Eagle, 500; Centre Star, 45; Iron Mask, 95.

The Mascot.
At the Mascot, on Columbia mountain, where operations were recently resumed by the Big Three Mining company, nine men are now at work under the foremanship of Evan Evans, and the force is to be increased by the addition of another shift. In the tunnel some good looking iron ore is being met. The upper shaft, which is now down 21 feet in a promising ledge, a 20-inch body of heavily mineralized cream quartz is being worked, which shows very promising copper and iron. The quartz was met at a depth of 15 feet in the shaft, and since then it has been steadily increasing in size. W. Y. Williams, who is managing the Old Ironsides, in the Boundary country, has accepted the superintendency of the Big Three company, and will be here about the first of the month to look after the property.

The Columbia & Kootenay.
The showing in the raise from the No. 3 tunnel continues good. In the face of the tunnel the ore body, if anything, is improving. In the No. 4 tunnel there is as yet no change nor is any expected for some time as the tunnel is being driven diagonally to tap the lead.

The wagon road is completed, and it is now possible to travel by team all around Columbia mountain. The convenience afforded by the new highway is considerable.

Master Mechanic Frazer is installing a new heater for warming with exhaust steam the water to be injected into the boiler. Superintendent Macdonald is endeavoring to economize in every way possible in the use of fuel, and the heater is being installed with that idea in view.

The Sunset No. 2.
The Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate, limited, is making rapid progress in the development of the Sunset No. 2. The main shaft is now down 275 feet. Sinking is being done on the discovery shaft where the rich ore was found about 10 days ago. This shaft is run down 15 feet and is opening up a body of ore, which in the bottom of the shaft is over two feet wide and steadily widening. This ore gives an average assay of \$52 per ton. It is expected that the main shaft will reach the 300-foot level by June 1, when drifting will be commenced east and west on the vein.

The Monte Christo.
Work is being pushed in all the levels of the Monte Christo in anticipation of shipping ore, which is to be begun in a few days. The management will begin marketing its ores at the rate of 50 tons per day. This quantity will be increased, as it is known from the large amount of ore in the stopes that it will require but a little extra effort to enable the mine to ship 100 tons every 24 hours. The Monte Christo is in first class condition, and it is thought it will be the next Trail Creek mine to pay a dividend.

The Deer Park.
In the shaft, which is now down 225 feet, a good three-foot body of quartz, carrying iron and tellurides has been uncovered, which assays in the neighborhood of \$25. In the drift at the 150-foot level, the pay streak is about four feet wide, and of the same character as the ore at the bottom of the shaft. Some specimens are on exhibition in the windows of THE MINER office.

The Santa Rosa.
In the tunnel at the 250-foot station the miners have opened for a distance of five feet a new ledge showing considerable calena as well as arsenical iron, from which the assays show shipping values. The width of the lead has not yet been disclosed. The force will be increased.

The Iron Mask.
The shipments last week amounted to 102 tons, of which 87 went to Northport and 15 to Trail. In the winze, which is down 120 feet below the tunnel level, the showing continues very good, while in the raise there is six feet of ore, two-thirds of which will ship.

The Centre Star.
Three machines are at work doing development, and 35 men are engaged at the mine. Such ore as is taken out in development is being reduced. The shipments last week amounted to 45 tons, all of which as usual went to Trail.

The Abe Lincoln.
At the Abe Lincoln the shaft is being freed from water, preparatory to the renewal of work under a double crew of miners.

The Victory-Triumph.
The development of the newly discovered ledge beside the former vein is proving very satisfactory. The old tunnel is being driven ahead.

The Evening Star.
Work continues in the drift, but there is no material change.

The Le Roi.

Work is being concentrated in pushing the development work on the property.

The War Eagle.

Development is proceeding along the regular lines and there is no marked change.

The No. 1.

Work is actively in progress sinking two shafts on the lead. The surface showing is good.

The Nickle Plate.

Work is proceeding in the drifts from the bottom of the shaft.

The Jumbo.

There is no change in the tunnel which is being vigorously pushed ahead.

FROM THE GAZETTE.

The Latest Incorporations, Appointments and Applications.
The current number of the British Columbia Gazette contains the following notices:

Tenders for supplying the hospital for the insane with clothing, bread, meat, milk, vegetables, groceries, coal and wood will be received by the provincial secretary until Thursday, June 9th. A list of the articles wanted can be seen at the asylum and at the office of the provincial secretary.

Notice is given that Monday, May 23rd, will be observed as a holiday at the public offices of the provincial government.

Applications for certificates of improvements have been made for the Breslau, Hustler, Little Ralph, Elkhorn, Convent, Fraction, Vernon, Woodside, Mohawk, Crouch Hill and Bullion mineral claims.

The London and Rossland, B. C., limited, has registered as an extra provincial company. The head office of the company is located in England and the provincial office is in Rossland. Frank Lewis, is the financial agent of Rossland, is the attorney. The objects for which the company is organized is to carry on a general mining business.

Notices of the incorporation of the following companies are given. The Atlas & Huntingdon Development syndicate, the capital stock is \$10,000, divided into 2,000 shares of \$5 each. The registered office of the company is in Slocan City. The objects for which the company is incorporated are to acquire the Agnes and Huntingdon mineral claims, situated on Lemon creek in the Slocan division and to carry on a general mining business.

The Klondike Pneumatic Caisson Mining Company—Capital stock is \$75,000 divided into 7,500 shares of \$1 each. The registered office of the company is in Vancouver. The objects are to carry on a general steamboat and mining business.

The New Jerusalem Mining Company, limited.—Capital stock is \$75,000 divided into 7,500 shares of \$10 each. The registered office of the company is in Ainsworth. The objects for which the company is incorporated are to acquire, manage, develop, work and sell mines and mineral claims and to treat, refine and market of the minerals therefrom.

The Commonwealth Gold Mining & Development Company, limited.—head office, will in 30 days change its head office from Rossland to Peachland, Okanagan lake, B. C.

The Lightning Creek Gold Gravel & Drainage company, limited, has given notice that it will remove its office from Vancouver to Ashcroft.

Notice is given that Leonard Norris of Vernon, Esquire, has been appointed gold commissioner for the Vernon Mining division of the Yale electoral district.

Charles A. R. Lambley of Osoyoos, Esquire, S. M., has been appointed gold commissioner within and for the Kettle river, Osoyoos and Grand Forks Mining divisions of the Yale electoral district.

RATES OF INSURANCE.

It is Probable that They Will Be Cut Down Here.

THE MINER'S agitation for a reduction of the present fire insurance rates is beginning to bear fruit. J. B. Johnson & Co. were among those insurance agents who sent to their head offices copies of THE MINER containing accounts of the improvements that have been and are being made to fight conflagrations here. The firm has received word from the Norwich Union and Phoenix companies, stating that they are pleased to learn that Rossland has such excellent fire protection, and promise to send inspectors here to examine into the situation, with a view to arranging a reduction in the rates. The inspectors will arrive within a few weeks.

In the meantime the work of improving the waterworks system is going steadily on. A force of seven men is at work grading the line for the new water pipe, and work will proceed without interruption until the pipe is laid.

A material increase in the means of fighting fires is under way on Butte street, where a main is being laid from Columbia avenue nearly to Second avenue. The horses for the fire department are now in training, and the new drop harness will arrive this week.

The Dewdney Trail.
Barr Hall, writing from Cascade City under date of May 20, kindly favors THE MINER with the following information re the Dewdney trail: "Your readers may be interested to know that with the exception of the crossings at the West Fork and a few windfalls the Dewdney trail is in good shape for travel, there being no snow at all. The two fords can easily be made by leading your horses across, there being foot logs by which a person can cross without getting wet. I write this in order that the people may save themselves the trouble of going via Boscawen, as they are at present, and save them some 30 miles of useless travel."

Meeting of Virginia Stockholders.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Virginia Gold Mining company was held at Spokane on Friday. There was a large attendance of stockholders. The reports of several officers were read, received and placed on file. The assembled stockholders expressed themselves as more than pleased with the progress that had been made in the sinking of the double compartment shaft on the property of the company. All the old officers were unanimously re-elected, including George E. Pfinder, as general manager and superintendent.

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE

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With the Basement Graded and a Heating Apparatus It Would Be as Near Perfect as Possible for a Structure of This Kind to Be.

A majority of the school children are now housed in the new eight-room school house on the hill in the northern part of the city, and it is a most comfortable place for them. There are eight rooms in the school, each with floor dimensions of 26x36 feet. The ceilings are high and this gives plenty of fresh air for the pupils. The two classrooms in the east side of the building on the upper floor have large folding or sliding doors between them and by means of these they can, when the occasion demands, be thrown into one. These can be used as class-rooms or else as combined assemblies of the scholars on the occasions of exhibitions and the like.

The halls and stairways are wide and roomy and there are wide main entrances to the front and rear of the structure. The doors open outwardly. With these conveniences, in the event of a fire the school could be quickly emptied of the pupils and their teachers. The plumbing seems to be first-class throughout and in the hallways are marble wash stands with nickel taps. At each one of them is a drinking cup.

The two chimneys are immense affairs and will be amply large enough for the heating apparatus when it is installed. The basement, when there is a little excavation done, will form two good sized playgrounds for the children in cold, wet and stormy weather and also for a boating place for the heating apparatus. It is thought that the expenditure for the school will be completed by the time the snow begins to fall, so that the pupils may have a warm playground in cold weather. In addition to the eight class rooms there are a number of apartment rooms for the principal's office, which is located in the tower that ornaments the front part of the structure.

There are many little conveniences provided, and among these is an electric bell that leads from the room of the principal to the other class rooms so that a teacher may be summoned when she is required. From the exterior the school presents a handsome appearance. While there is nothing ornate in the architecture still it looks handsome and grand.

The building Rossland may be sold and a building constructed of the same materials. Mr. Hunter, the contractor, says the building as it stands cost about \$10,000, and for this sum the school board has secured a cheap building as every one who has seen the work on the uncompleted rooms some time today, and the painting will be completed early next week. With this building and the one in the southern end of the city, the accommodations are ample for current requirements.

Earliest Miners in the World.
The earliest miners and metal workers of whom we have record were the Aryan people of Euro Asiatic origin, who, though, of a different racial habitus, were familiar with the metals and worked with them at least with the metals gold, silver and bronze, says the Mining and Scientific Press. Chaldeans and Assyrians, as we now know from the cuneiform inscriptions which go back 3,000 B. C., were undoubtedly expert in the use of metals, while the Egyptians had an intimate knowledge of the arts and sciences. In the brick and other inscription recently discovered by the German excavators, the Egyptians, indeed, had attained eminence in their art, and the Egyptians had certainly a knowledge of chemistry, as the samples of their glass blowing and blown glass pictures of tools, forceps, blow-pipes, etc., proved.

Gold was largely used at an early period—between 4,000 and 5,000 B. C., as we find from some newly discovered and ingenious weighing balances, many of which date from 50 to 60 centuries back, we have examples of engineering in Memphis which could not have been constructed without tools and necessary acquaintance with the use of the stone word "metals" to forge, indicates an early acquaintance with the fusing of ores and the malleability of metals. How these early primitive people discovered the use of things most, of course, have been through their needs, particularly after they left their pastoral and tent life and began to build cities. The Arabs are credited with being early acquainted with the alloys, the black alchemy, as a science, dates only from the sixteenth century—Western Mining World.

Another New Stamp.

Two cent postage does not appear to be an immediate development in Canadian postal annals, judging from the latest addition to the list of stamps issued by the department. The new arrival is in the shape of a three-cent stamped envelope. The new issue is quite an improvement on the previous stamped envelope in design and workmanship and better than the cheap post cards which have appeared of late. The center of the new stamp consists of an embossed head of Her Majesty according to the modern type, while above and below are the white letter inscriptions "postage" and "three cents" in scroll work oval. The word "Canada" appears in color above the stamp.

Atchison Discharged.
The case of J. H. Atchison, charged with assaulting little Jennie Thomas, was brought up Thursday in the county court before Judge Forin under the speedy trials act. The defendant was represented by P. McL. Forin, and the case was heard in privacy. Chief of Police Ingram was introduced, and of whom give evidence substantially as to the preliminary hearing.

Judge Forin held that as the evidence of the child was not sufficiently corroborated, the prosecution had no valid case, and the defendant was dismissed.

CAMERON'S BIG CONTRACT.

He Will Put Over 2,000,000 Bricks in Trail Roasting Kilns.

Sol Cameron commenced work last week on his big contract for the construction of roast kilns on Smelter hill, says the Trail Creek News. These will do away with the present roast heaps and all sulphur fumes will be carried off by an immense chimney, larger than the present one. He will excavate about 10,000 yards of earth and will lay over 2,000,000 bricks. These he will make and burn right on the ground. The brick will be brought down from Robson.

The brick yard is now in good shape occupying a small flat between the roast heaps and freight warehouse. Scrapers and teams are at work on the week and the clay pits are already constructed. There is an abundance of clay at Robson where a spur is built. Mr. Cameron expects soon to have 100 men employed. The work will probably last over two months.

The roast kilns or stoves will be located near the present roast heaps and will be about 48 in number. All will communicate with the central stack, by which the sulphur fumes will be carried away. Men are at work on the furnace building and many improvements have been made. A big stack is also to be built for the lead furnaces which will be installed in this building. The big Blake crusher is breaking up ores for the roast heaps. A second heap is almost ready to fire.

THE LE ROI SALE.

It Gives the Outside World Renewed Confidence in the Camp.

Joseph Morris, of the firm of Crow & Morris, has returned from a visit to the coast. He was absent over a month and visited several coast cities, including Seattle, Tacoma, Victoria and Vancouver. The fact that the Le Roi mine has been sold for \$3,000,000 has had the effect of making Rossland talked of more than ever. "It gives the outside world great confidence in the mines here to know that so large a sum had been paid for practically a single mining property," said Mr. Morris. The people at the coast seem to think that the camp has a great future before it, and I heard many complimentary remarks concerning it. It was a splendid advertisement," Mr. Morris reports that Havana cigars are a very scarce article at the coast to bacco emporiums. He purchased all the supply in the Hudson Bay company had on hand and bought up the better class of Havana stock wherever he could secure it. The result is that he secured a supply that will last for over a year.

BOUNDARY PROPERTIES.

Two of Them Recently Bonded for Good Sized Sums.

GRAND FORKS, May 20.—A. C. Sutton and R. A. Brown have bonded the Morning Star property in the Similkameen country to the B. A. O. for \$5,000. The Morning Star lies next the Sunset mine and is a most likely prospect.

W. J. Smolgrass, proprietor of the Pentlion stage line is here, and has purchased the stage system between this place and Greenwood. Hereafter his stages will run between Grand Forks and Pentlion.

A. H. Hanison, superintendent of the B. C. mine in Summit camp has just bonded the Silver Dollar property up main Kettle river for \$35,000. A percentage of this sum was paid at the time of sale, the balance in payments extending over a year. The ore of the Silver Dollar assays as high as \$75 in gold.

TRAILS AND ROADS.

Recorder Kirkup is Beginning to Get Them in Order.

Although the appropriation of \$20,000 for roads and trails in this district will not be available until July 5, yet J. Kirkup, the mining recorder, has already commenced to improve the trails of the district with funds reserved for that purpose from last year's appropriation. A party is now at work repairing the Trail road, and another party set out yesterday to overhaul the Dewdney trail over the Sophie mountain. As soon as the trail clears away sufficiently the sheep lake trail will be repaired.

Capt. James Morrish, the engineer in charge of the Velvet, expects to build a wagon road to that property this summer. It will probably leave around past the O. K., and around Spokane mountain will do away with the heavy grades on Sophie mountain.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Captain P. McL. Forin, of the local militia company, is busy making arrangements for the drilling of his men. The management of the International hall has offered the use of the auditor hall for the purpose of looking after his mining interests in this section. He will go to Cariboo Creek in a few days, where the properties of his company are located.

Drs. Bows and Kenning have formed a partnership and have established themselves in handsomely furnished and commodious quarters in the Goodvee building on the north side of East Columbia avenue. These offices occupy one side of the building on the second floor, and are provided with every possible convenience for the reception and treatment of patients.

The Bassar Was a Success.
The art curios, the shooting gallery, the music, the fancy goods and the refreshments combined to make a pleasant success of the bassar given yesterday in Velvet hall by the ladies' aid society of the Presbyterian church. The attendance was large all the afternoon, but in the evening the crowd packed the hall. At the shooting gallery the champion scores were made by Dr. Kerr, with 475 to his credit, while Miss Gregor came second with 400 to the good. A. B. Clabon acted as auctioneer in the fancy goods department, and by aid of his persuasive voice, fabulous prices were obtained for quilts, towels and aprons. Piano solos were furnished during the evening by Miss Lockhart and Miss Walker, while Wm. Aldrich and Miss Louise Husband rendered some pleasing violin duets.

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WILL SOON BE 125,000

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—One hundred and three thousand volunteers have been mustered into the service of the United States, according to the reports which have reached General Corbin, and by the end of next week the officials hope every man of the 125,000 called for will have taken the oath and sworn allegiance.

Mobilizing in San Francisco. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 21.—Over 3,000 volunteers arrived this morning from the eastern states. The troops from Kansas numbered 964 men and 43 officers, while Minnesota sent a regiment of 982 men and 42 officers.

GERMANY DON'T LIKE IT. A Berlin Paper Denounces the Anglo-American Alliance. BERLIN, May 21.—Public attention in this country has temporarily been diverted from the war between Spain and the United States to the significant speech recently made at Birmingham by Joseph Chamberlain, the British secretary of state for foreign affairs.

The Oregon Is Safe. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The Oregon has arrived safely and the navy department is proud of the record made by the warship from an engineering point of view. The reports to the department from the ship show that she does not need five cents' worth of repairs to her machinery after 13,000 miles continuous run.

Prizes Condemned. KEY WEST, May 21.—In the United States circuit court today the Spanish prizes Mathilda, Candido, Sarganauta and Argonauta, against which "pro-confesso" was entered yesterday, were formally condemned and ordered to be sold.

Tried to Deceive the Spanish. MADRID, May 21.—Captain-General Blanco cables from Havana that "in order to deceive the garrison at Guantanamo, the American warships hoisted the Spanish flag, but were immediately recognized and repulsed."

Will Fight a Duel. MADRID, May 21.—There was a scene in the chamber of deputies today. Senor Boris, a nephew of Senor Romero y Robledo, branded a statement of Viscount Di Pucoste as baseless.

Ordered to Destroy Forts. WASHINGTON, May 21.—President McKinley has given orders to Commander Watson of the blockading squadron to attack and destroy Spanish fortifications. The order covers the whole line of blockading forts in Havana, and is intended to clear the way for army invasion.

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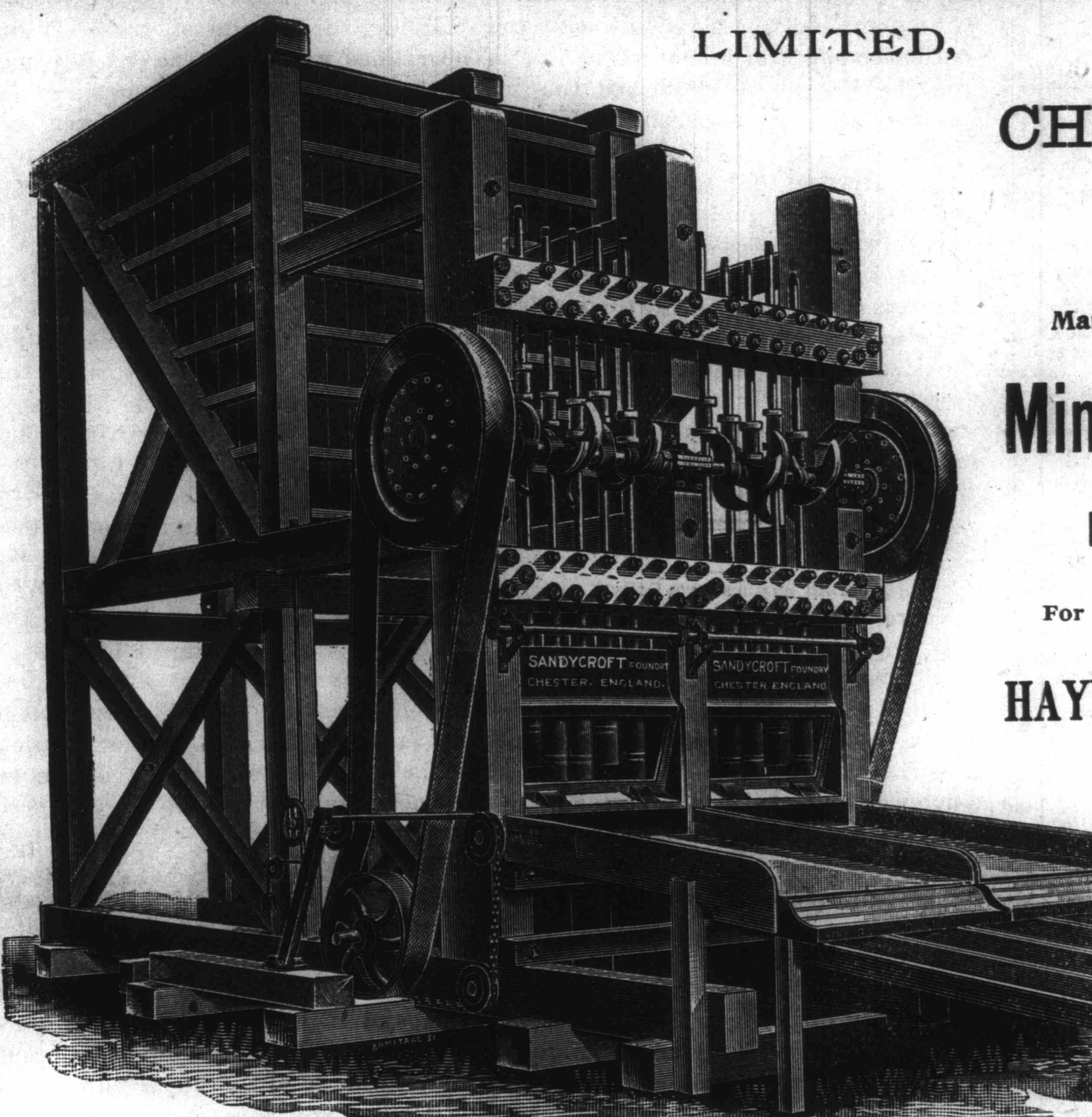
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BARNETT-MAGUIRE.

Further Particulars of the Wedding Last Monday Night. (Continued.)

William Barnett and Miss Mamie Maguire were married at 8:30 o'clock last Monday evening by Reverend Father Rivers in the parlors of the Belmont hotel.

The groom looked the joy he felt, and the company caught the glad spirit of the hour, and it was literally an occasion when all went merry as a marriage bell.

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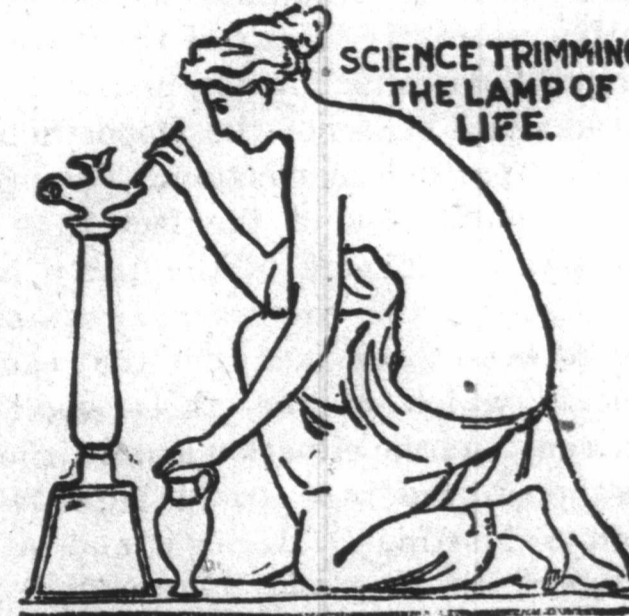
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NOTE THE FOLLOWING FACTS: 1. A large area of rich mineral lands. 2. Low capitalization. 3. Shipping ore from the surface. 4. Water and timber in abundance.

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

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LITTLE ROOM FOR COAL

The Big Vessel Will Have to Be Towed a Portion of the Way—Evident Policy of the Americans Is to Hold Possession of the Islands.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The news event of the day at the navy department was the dispatch of the order to the Monterey to proceed to Manila to reinforce Admiral Dewey's squadron. The Monterey, a tower of strength in herself, and her addition to Admiral Dewey's force, together with the dispatch of thousands of troops to Manila, is ample evidence that the administration has assumed no half-hearted attitude towards the Philippines, and is determined to take no chances of disposing itself at such time as the United States itself has arranged for the disposition of the islands.

The Oregon Is Safe. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The Oregon has arrived safely and the navy department is proud of the record made by the warship from an engineering point of view. The reports to the department from the ship show that she does not need five cents' worth of repairs to her machinery after 13,000 miles continuous run.

Prizes Condemned. KEY WEST, May 21.—In the United States circuit court today the Spanish prizes Mathilda, Candido, Sarganauta and Argonauta, against which "pro-confesso" was entered yesterday, were formally condemned and ordered to be sold.

Tried to Deceive the Spanish. MADRID, May 21.—Captain-General Blanco cables from Havana that "in order to deceive the garrison at Guantanamo, the American warships hoisted the Spanish flag, but were immediately recognized and repulsed."

Will Fight a Duel. MADRID, May 21.—There was a scene in the chamber of deputies today. Senor Boris, a nephew of Senor Romero y Robledo, branded a statement of Viscount Di Pucoste as baseless.

Ordered to Destroy Forts. WASHINGTON, May 21.—President McKinley has given orders to Commander Watson of the blockading squadron to attack and destroy Spanish fortifications. The order covers the whole line of blockading forts in Havana, and is intended to clear the way for army invasion.

A Fatal Collision. TERRE HAUTE, Ind., May 21.—At 12:10 this afternoon at Vandalia, a special train bearing General Superintendent Muller and other officials of the road, ran into the caboose of a working train at Formosa, 11 miles east of East St. Louis, killing several workmen and badly wounding many others.

Scene of the wreck with doctors.

Vertical advertisement on the left edge of the page, partially obscured, mentioning 'DABNEY, Mining Broker' and 'ROSSLAND, B. C.'.

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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Following are the ore shipments from the
mines adjacent to Rossland from Jan. 1, to May
21, 1898:
Le Roi..... 22,850
War Eagle..... 5,236
Centre Star..... 805
Poorman..... 1,407
Iron Mask..... 1,467
Chief..... 359
Velvet..... 359

Total..... 31,451
The ore shipments for the seven days from
May 14 to May 21, inclusive, were as follows:
Le Roi..... 1,591
War Eagle..... 350
Centre Star..... 45
Iron Mask..... 202

THE OPPOSITION CONVENTION.

Signs are not wanting that the Opposition
Convention, which meets in this
city Wednesday, will be a hopeless con-
flict between aspirants to the legis-
lative assembly. Many of the delegates
are candidates for the nomination to act
as standard bearer of the Oppositionists
at the approaching election. The promised
trouble lies in the fact that the
Rossland managers of the party have
decided that the contest tomorrow shall
be between three men, but they cannot
decide which of the three shall be
chosen. As the situation stands it looks
as though the race would be between
James Martin, D. B. Bogle and A. B.
Clabon, all Rossland men. Trail has
been completely ignored, and the
Boundary Creek country, which is really
the chief Opposition stronghold in the
riding, is practically denied the right to
name a candidate. It would also seem
that the labor vote has been underrated
and treated with contempt. Messrs.
Wilks and Dutton are well up in local poli-
tics, and are as capable of forming
opinions on the questions of the day as
any other member of the Opposition
party, but they are being patted on the
back and urged by the bosses to nobly
sacrifice themselves for the political ad-
vancement of those who do not belong
to any of the trade unions.

LOCAL OFFICERS FOR MINING COMPANIES.

Complaints continue to be made
against those foreign corporations that
fail to maintain offices in this city, as they
are required to by law. This causes a
great deal of inconvenience to purchasers
of stock because they are often compelled
to send long distances in order to have
transfers made, and frequently results in
the spoiling of sales. The loss of brokers'
commission is nothing when compared
to the loss of the proceeds from sales
which swells the general supply of cash
in the camp, and helps to sustain all
lines of business. There is another and
more far reaching effect, and that is it
keeps business away from here. If a
customer finds that the business which
he intrusts to a local broker cannot be
transacted here quickly and to his entire
satisfaction he sends to some other
place when he next desires to invest and
this results in a positive injury to the
camp and its business.

Another cause of complaint is when
the officers of companies, who are em-
powered to transfer stock, leave the city
they fail to empower anyone to fill their
places during the time they are away.
They may be absent a day, a week, or a
month, and while they are out of the
city shares cannot be transferred on the
books of the company, nor new certifi-
cates issued. This, too, is a great in-
convenience and often results in the
spoiling of sales. It is suggested by
those who have suffered from these
absentee officers that before they leave
they sign a lot of blank certificates and
empower some responsible agents to fill
them in. To maintain offices here must
accord to the law, be something more
than merely in name.

The evils that have been mentioned
must be abated, and the officers whose
duty it is to enforce the law in the par-
ticulars mentioned should take the mat-
ter in hand and see that the statutes are
enforced.

Rossland is building up a stock busi-
ness and it is not fair that those who are
bringing large sums of money to the
camp in the way of investments in the
mining shares should be handicapped
and hindered in the transaction of busi-
ness by those who fail to obey the plain
provisions of the law.

LAOK ORGANIZATION.

Hon. J. H. Turner goes to the country
at the next elections as premier for the
first time, and while he has taken a
prominent part in many Provincial elec-
tions he has never before had the respon-
sibility of acting as the leader in a
political campaign. He is not much of

a politician, and goes into the approach-
ing contest with his followers poorly
organized. It would be uncharitable to
say of Mr. Turner that he is not capable
of marshaling his party in a solid and
enthusiastic phalanx; but certain it is
that he has quite overlooked the im-
portant need of preparation. His fol-
lowers are like sheep without a shep-
herd. He does not seem to appreciate
that the day has gone by when a politi-
cal campaign can be conducted in British
Columbia like it used to be 20 years ago.
He seems content to abide the result of
the elections upon the record that he
has made in the legislature during the
past four years. It is extremely fortu-
nate for Mr. Turner that his opponents
are in an unorganized condition, worse,
if possible, than the Ministerialists.

THE CELEBRATION.

There was no more patriotic celebra-
tion anywhere than that held in this
city Tuesday in honor of Her Majesty,
Queen Victoria. The entire country side
evinced a desire to pay its respects to our
illustrious and beloved sovereign. It is
a noteworthy fact that the occasion was
observed with as much enthusiasm by
those aliens who reside among us as by
the British born element of our popula-
tion.

The decorations were a great credit to
the public spirited people of Rossland.
The display of bunting and evergreens
was noticeable on nearly every building,
and what was still more pleasing to see
was the British flag floating from every
conspicuous point.

The thanks of the community are due
those who labored so industriously to
make the celebration a success. The
several committees were indefatigable in
their efforts, and did what they under-
took in such an admirable and thorough
manner that they left nothing to be de-
sired.

The judges, timekeepers and starters in
the various events are to be congrat-
ulated upon their impartiality and
efficiency.

The money contributed to the celebra-
tion fund was well spent. The city
has paid its tribute of unflinching de-
votion to the Queen-Empress. May Her
Majesty long be spared to reign
over us. God Save the Queen.

RANK INJUSTICE.

Although the Oppositionists at Rossland
informed their brethren in the
Boundary Creek country that they in-
tended holding a convention here on
May 25 in ample time for them to nomi-
nate and send delegates, the call has not
met with an enthusiastic response. In
the country tributary to the Kettle
River valley there are said to be more
than 500 voters. According to the way
the Rossland managers fixed the basis of
representation in the convention (one
delegate to every 50 votes), this would
entitle the western portion of the riding
to send 10 men, but so far as THE
MINER is able to ascertain, not one-half
of that number has put in an appear-
ance here.

The Opposition electors of the Bound-
ary Creek country, should not be blamed
for this display of indifference. They
have been very shabbily treated by the
Rossland bosses. They have not been
allowed to say a word in their party
conclave, but are being used as tools to
serve the political ends of the managers
on this side of the range. The Opposi-
tionists of Boundary Creek argue, and
very justly, too, that if the Rossland men
are determined to force the candidacy of
an east side man on them, the conven-
tion should have been held at Grand
Forks, Midway or Greenwood in-
stead of at Rossland. They also
complain against the rule that
prevents them from naming the
Opposition candidate for the Rossland
riding. John A. Manly, ex-mayor of
Grand Forks, Captain R. C. Adams, of
Midway, and Duncan Ross, of Green-
wood, are as much entitled to the nomi-
nation as any made from the east side,
and any one of them would poll as large
a vote as any Rossland Oppositionist who
could be put in the field. Because the
Boundary Creek country is not a separate
and distinct electoral district, it is no
reason why it should be denied the right
to name a candidate for the legislative
assembly. It has all along been the cry
of the Oppositionists that the Boundary
Creek country has not received fair play,
but at the very first opportunity that
occurs the Rossland supporters of Messrs.
Semlin and Cotton would prevent that
section from exercising the sacred priv-
ilege of selecting a man from there to
voice their sentiments in the legislative
assembly. THE MINER would not be
surprised if the long-suffering Boundary
Creekers indignantly resent the action
of the bosses of the local Oppositionists,
and hold a convention to nominate a
candidate of their own.

DEVELOPMENT.

One of the effects of the faithful, pain-
staking and scientific development work
that has been done in this division is
that recently a large number of the lead-
ing properties have passed into the
hands of a few large syndicates. As was
pointed out by THE MINER several
months since, the trend of mining af-
fairs here is toward concentration. The
mines and mining properties of com-
panies and individuals have been gath-
ered together in big groups by these
larger combinations, which wish to carry
on the business on a very large scale,
and who feel that they must have groups

instead of single claims in which to
carry out their operations. They are ag-
gregations that play in the mining re-
gions for high stakes.

While the results of these Titanic
operations will be in the end benefi-
cial to the country, it has to a certain extent
circumscribed the stock market. In
some instances, the scene of the stock
transactions of these companies is trans-
ferred to the larger mart of London,
where the operations are on a much more
extensive scale. This takes something
away from the local stockbroker which
he formerly enjoyed, and to that extent
curtails his business. In time this
would, if the absorptions by the larger
combinations of capital were kept up,
result in totally depriving him of his
occupation. Luckily, however, "there
are just as good fish in the sea as ever
were caught," and as fast as one com-
pany is absorbed another is organized to
take its place and this process fortu-
nately keeps the local broker in business.

The reason why most of the mining
properties sold to the big corporations
here, is, in a majority of instances,
because they were in such an advanced
stage of development that their true
value was known. It will be remem-
bered that the very best of the prop-
erties sold brought the enormous sum of
\$3,000,000, and this was simply because
it was a highly developed producing
mine, and it was thought by its pur-
chaser it could be made to yield a profit
of much more than the amount paid
for it.

There are just as good properties in
the mountains around this city as any
of those that have been sold, and the
result obtained by the large prices paid for
the developed properties mentioned hereto-
fore should serve as a stimulus to those
who own them to do everything in their
power to develop them so that their true
value may be known. Then the owners
will be able to reap as rich a harvest of
dollars as did those who sold to the big
combines heretofore mentioned. In this
way the business of the stock broker, the
business man and, last but not least, the
miner, can be increased and enlarged to
a wonderful degree. The history of the
past transactions of the camp will but
repeat themselves. The shibboleth of
the camp should therefore be "to de-
velop," for he who works at a mining
property till its value is fully established
is a public benefactor, to say nothing of
the fact that he helps himself.

THE OPPOSITIONIST CONVENTION.

THE MINER's prediction yesterday that
the Oppositionists of the west side would
indignantly resent an attempt on the
part of their Rossland brethren to make
them tools for the furtherance of the
selfish ambitions of certain Rossland
candidates, have been fully justified by
the result of last night's convention.

The Martin faction of the Rossland
delegation have ruined the prospects of
their party in this riding. When they
discovered that James Martin had lost
prestige in the Boundary Creek country
by his hesitancy in stating that he was
willing to accept the nomination, they
should have united on another man. It
is now too late to force Mr. Martin's
name on the convention on June 8. The
Boundary Creekers are up in arms
against Rossland, and will undoubtedly
name a man from the west side.

The Grand Forks' delegates have
proved themselves shrewd politicians and
have put up a very pretty fight for the
political supremacy of their portion of
the district.

CAMPAINING IN KOOTENAY.

It is reported that Premier Turner and
Attorney-General Eberts will shortly
visit the Kootenays. It is natural to
suppose that they are prompted to do
so for political reasons.

The electors will be pleased to hear
these honorable gentlemen discuss the
issues of the day from the public plat-
form.

It is hoped that the Opposition lead-
ers will visit the districts at the same
time.

The people of the Kootenays would be
much pleased if the leaders of the two
parties would campaign here together.
Such an arrangement would appeal to
the supporters of either side. Messrs.
Semlin and Cotton should lose no time
in preparing to accompany the premier
and the attorney-general on their Koot-
enay trip.

It is just possible, however, that the
Opposition leaders have a painful recol-
lection of the cool reception accorded
them when they were last here and will
shirk the opportunity.

THE WEST IN EUROPE.

Lord Strathcona, the Canadian high
commissioner at London, in his annual
report declares emphatically against the
establishment of a Canadian commercial
agency in Great Britain, at least along
the lines laid down by those who have
discussed the matter on this side of the
water. He condemns unsparingly the
idea of a central sample room in London,
and is equally emphatic in the declara-
tion that no official department would
be intrusted by business houses with
"adequate information" as to prices and
trade terms.

We are not prepared to say that the
scheme as outlined by the Ottawa board
of trade would work to the best advan-
tage in creating interest in Great
Britain in the resources and products of
this country, but we strongly urge
that the idea of more prominently dis-
playing our wares in Europe be forthwith

carried out to a successful conclusion.
The development of the West rests
almost entirely with the introduction of
English capital, and no effort should be
spared to attract the attention of those
who may be induced to invest here.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The war between the United States
and Spain is a good thing for Canadian
coal mines at Cape Breton, on the At-
lantic, and Vancouver Island, on the
Pacific.

LORD JERSEY, is also mentioned as a
probable successor to Lord Aberdeen.
Lord Jersey represented the mother
country in the Intercolonial conference
at Ottawa in 1894.

MR. SEMLIN, the leader of the Local
Opposition, has made an affidavit con-
cerning Hon. G. B. Martin's references
to Chinese labor. We heartily agree
with the Colonel that the word of a
man, occupying the high political posi-
tion that Mr. Semlin does, should be
sufficient without the introduction of
affidavits.

The legislative session, which has just
come to a close at Victoria, was the
most important in the history of the
Province. It has also been one of the
longest since confederation. The longest
session was in 1876, when the House
opened on January 10, and prorogation
was not reached until May 12. The last
session opened February 10 and closed
on May 20. Of the 80 bills introduced
in the legislature this year, 65 were
passed.

The reception accorded to the Opposi-
tion delegates from Rossland who visited
Trail last Saturday indicates very clearly
the political sentiments of the people of
that town. The delegates were wise
to break up the meeting when they
did, or they would have suffered the dis-
comfiture of seeing the meeting called
for their special benefit pass resolutions
declaring against the policy of the Opposi-
tion. A very large majority of the
people of Trail are opposed to the Opposi-
tion.

ASSESSMENT ROLL.

Total Gross Valuation of City Taxable
Property is \$1,444,872.
The municipal assessment roll of the
city, just completed by Assessor Harp,
show a gross valuation of all taxable
property of \$1,444,872. The exemptions
of all kinds, including the reductions for
the railroads, the churches, the schools
and the hospital, reduce this figure to
\$1,173,983, which is the basis on which
the taxes will be levied. The gross val-
uation in each ward is as follows: Ward
one, \$416,608; ward two, \$644,720; ward
three, \$383,544.

The apportionment of the tax list, as
furnished by Assessor Harp, is as fol-
lows:

TOTAL.	LAND.	IMPROVEMENTS.	EXEMPTIONS.
\$1,444,872.00	\$416,608.00	\$1,028,264.00	\$260,160.00
Ward one \$238,680.00	68,030.00	170,650.00	43,000.00
Ward two \$383,544.00	112,000.00	271,544.00	69,000.00
Ward three \$383,544.00	96,578.00	286,966.00	74,572.00
Other than wards \$1,444,872.00	96,578.00	1,348,294.00	350,000.00
Churches \$1,173,983.00	68,030.00	1,105,953.00	280,000.00
Schools \$55,000.00	15,000.00	40,000.00	10,000.00
Hospital \$15,000.00	4,000.00	11,000.00	3,000.00
Other \$40,000.00	10,000.00	30,000.00	8,000.00
Balance \$1,173,983.00	68,030.00	1,105,953.00	280,000.00

Total taxable property—Improvements,
\$1,028,264; land, \$977,780; total, \$1,173,983.

A Scene at the Depot.

A tired looking, travel stained woman
of 35 years of age got off the Red Moun-
tain train Tuesday and addressed those
about her in a language that none could
understand. William Funk, the expres-
sman, is the depot linguist, and he was
appealed to and he spoke to her in sev-
eral languages. First he said "Parlez
vous Francaise, madame?" The stranger
bitterly shook her head. "Sprechen sie
Deutsche?" The poor woman wrung
her hands and talked volubly in the un-
known tongue. "Usted Habla Espanol?"
said a bystander, and then the
stranger in a strange land began to wese-
e-semble at the idea of being mistaken
for one of the Spanish race. Then Mr.
Funk tried Norwegian, Danish, Italian
and two or three other languages, and
the woman failed to understand
him. She began to cry, weep
bitterly and to wring her hands.
She took out a little purse from her
dress, that only contained a few cents,
and offered it to Mr. Funk. He said
that he did not want her money, that
she must not worry and he would see
her through her trouble, but as she did
not understand his language he only
seemed to increase her agitation. It was
suggested that she was a Cuban or a
Russian. Finally E. H. Porkony who is
an Austrian, happened along and he
spoke to the woman in the language of
that country and then the clouds of care
that were on her face were replaced by
smiles. Here was someone who under-
stood her at last. In a few rapid
words she said that she had
been a month on the road from her home
in the interior of Austria. Her hus-
band was Mike Stechis, and he was a
gar man who had taken her to the
mason who lived in Trail. He had sent
her money to come to him and there was
only a few poor coins left in the little
leather purse that she carried in her
bosom. Mr. Porkony said he would take
her to a countryman from her neighbor-
hood who knew her husband. Then she
gathered up her poor belongings which
consisted of a few things in a little
basket and went trustfully with her pro-
tector. She left on the 6 o'clock train
for Trail, where her husband is employed.

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AN INTERESTING DECISION.

Hilling of the Supreme Court re Extra-
Lateral Rights.
A Washington special has the follow-
ing to say regarding a decision of the
United States supreme court in a dis-
puted ledge. The decision is of peculiar
local interest, as it may have some bearing
on the case of the Centre Star vs. the
Iron Mask now in the courts, where
the possession of an extra lateral vein is
in question.

The special is as follows:
The supreme court of the United
States, in two instances, decided the
question of the right of owners of a
mineral vein to follow the vein outside
the area of location, the opinion being by
Justice Brewer.

The first of these cases was that of the
Delmonte Mining Company vs. the
Last Chance Mining Company, the prop-
erty involved being located in the
Sunnyside district, in Mineral County,
Colorado.

The decision was not upon the merits
of the case, but was in response to ques-
tions certified to the court from the
United States circuit court of appeals of
the Eighth circuit, where the case is
now pending. There were five of these
questions, but only three of them were
answered. The first of these questions
was as follows:

"May any of the lines of a junior
location be laid within, upon or across
the surface of a valid senior location for
the purpose of defining or securing to
such junior location underground or
extra lateral rights not in conflict with
any rights of the senior location?"

This question was answered in the
affirmative.

"If the apex of a vein crosses one end
line and one side line of a lotte mining
claim as located thereupon, can the lo-
ttee of such a vein follow up its dip
beyond the side line of his location?"

This was also answered in the affirma-
tive.

A question which was answered in the
negative related to the side line of an
other claim, the New York.
The other case was that of W. A.
Clark vs. William Fitzgerald and others,
covering Montana mines, and it involved
the same question as answered in the
above. The opinion of the Montana
supreme court was affirmed.

A French Brig Wrecked.
HALIFAX, May 25.—The report of the
loss of the French brig D. Genne Gran-
ville, which was on a voyage from Louis-
bourg, C. B., for St. Pierre, Miquelon,
laden with coal, is confirmed. No de-
tails have been received but it is be-
lieved the entire crew of twenty men
perished.

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Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Commonweath
Mining & Development Company, limited, will
be held on Wednesday, June 1, at the hour of
8 o'clock p. m., at the company's office, 132 Colum-
bia avenue, Rossland, for the election of officers
and such other business as may be laid before the
meeting.

W. J. ROBINSON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.
Seneca Fraction mineral claim, situated in the
Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay
district, where located: On the south slope of
Columbia mountain, bounded by the Columbia,
Alberta, etc.

Take notice that I, Samuel L. Long, acting as
agent for A. B. Irwin, free miner's certificate
No. 8,746, 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 sec-
tion 77, must be commenced before the issuance
of such certificate of improvements.

SAMUEL L. LONG,
Dated this 26th day of May, 1898.

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MARKET FEATURES.

Yesterday's market was active and
War Eagle advanced from \$1.45 to \$1.50.
In our report last week this advance
was predicted and we look for it to reach
\$2.00 this year.

Monte Christo will take a sharp up
turn shortly and we advise buying
at present prices.
Deer Park is weak and lower and it
looks as if it will sag off to 10 cents, but
at the same time the condition the mine
is in justifies a much higher price.

We have buyers for Josie, Iron Mask,
War Eagle and Republic.

Canada Western..... 10 1/2
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Canada M. & D..... 2 1/2
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We can also supply Republic, Ymir
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Snaps for Today.
We offer today subject to sale the fol-
lowing snaps:
1,000 St. Elmo..... 5 1/2
2,000 St. Paul..... 3 1/2
3,000 Alberta..... 4 1/2
4,000 Red Mountain..... 5 1/2
View..... 5 1/2
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THE ESSAY PRIZES WON BY GIRLS

A. Beatrice Hobbs Wins the First Prize of \$10 and Bessie Chittenden the Second Prize of \$5 For the Best Essays on Queen Victoria.

The committee having in charge the award of the two cash prizes offered by THE MINER for the two best essays on the subject, Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, spent most of Monday afternoon reading and discussing the merits of the contributions submitted. After careful comparison and due deliberation they have decided that:

A. Beatrice Hobbs, age 14 years, of Rossland, wins the first prize of ten dollars. And that Bessie C. Chittenden, aged 13 years, of Rossland, wins the second prize of five dollars.

Miss Hobbs has handled her subject in an exceptionally able and comprehensive manner. The subject of the essay required much thought in order to even begin to do it justice in the limited space of 1,000 words, but she has, nevertheless, succeeded very well in alluding to the most interesting and important features of the long and illustrious reign of our sovereign lady.

Miss Chittenden is a close second. She gives evidence of being a careful student of English history and the essay is written with exceptional care.

There were a large number of essays submitted from the several townships in the district. Among those who deserve special mention for the ability shown in their essays are:

- Florence Pond, Rossland; William Power, Kaslo, Fred E. Griffith, Rossland; Vida Brown, Trail; Elizabeth Guild, Rossland; Fannie Graham, Rossland; Jay Ferrier, Rossland; Gertrude Henegar, Rossland; Ella Cosgriff, Rossland; Lillie Garland, Rossland, and Pompey Garnett, Rossland.

A. Beatrice Hobbs, the winner of the first prize, is the daughter of Sidney Hobbs, the proprietor of the Bodega, and she was born in Brandon, Manitoba, on Christmas day 14 years ago. Beatrice, by the way, is one of twins. She has been a resident of Rossland for a little over two years, during which time she has attended Mrs. Cook's private school and the public school, where she was the pupil of Principal Blair, who is very proud of the success which has greeted her first advent into literature. Miss Hobbs has been a wide reader all her life, and all of her spare time is spent with books. It is not difficult to forestall that should she adopt literature as a profession she would achieve more than a liberal share of success.

Her essay is given below:

Her Majesty, Queen Victoria.

Her Gracious Majesty, Queen Victoria, who now sits proudly upon the British throne, is the daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Kent, she was born on the 24th of May, 1819, and was only 18 years of age, when, in 1837, upon the death of her uncle William IV, she succeeded to the throne of England, Scotland, and with a degree of dignity and precedence that has justly won her the love and admiration of her subjects throughout Great Britain and her possessions, as well as the respect of all other nations.

From her subjects the heartiest and most sincere expressions of loyalty ever uttered to a ruler. It was not vulgar flattery that was heaped on that great occasion, but the heartfelt expressions of veneration and affection of a free people for a monarch who has not only had the well being of her people in view, but also the well being of the whole of Great Britain and her possessions. Amid the benedictions and rejoicings of her people the Queen proceeded to state through the heart of the great metropolis.

"The millions who cheered their Queen in London and in every other part of the British Empire, had not only seen the light of day through the heart of the great metropolis, but had also seen the light of day through the heart of the great metropolis. The millions who cheered their Queen in London and in every other part of the British Empire, had not only seen the light of day through the heart of the great metropolis, but had also seen the light of day through the heart of the great metropolis."

"Our fathers loved their sovereign then. We love her better now. When cares and years and bitter tears Have dimmed her eyes and brow."

Had she not been Queen over a nation she would have been a veritable Queen among women, the highest ideal of true womanhood. In 1840 she married Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, her cousin, and she proved as true and faithful a wife and mother as she has ever been.

ALL SORTS OF NEWS

Glanders Has Appeared Among Grand Forks Horses.

CROW'S NEST RAILWAY

Superintendent Haney Says the Road will be Completed to the Lake by 1st of August—An Absent-Minded Man Walks Overboard.

Grand Forks has organized a bicycle club. So far Kuskonook has registered 55 members. Bears are plentiful in the vicinity of Slocan city.

New Denver is shutting up hotel bars on Sunday. Lillooet, according to the supplementary estimate, is to get \$1,000 for fire protection.

TWO WEEKS THE PLACE.

Spokane is Shortly to Have a British Vice-Consul.

It is the intention to shortly locate a British vice-consul at Spokane, and there is considerable interest being taken in the matter in Rossland by the citizens here. Edward Cronyn recently circulated a petition among the more influential citizens of Rossland which was numerously signed, requesting that O. Stuart Armour, of Armour & Cool, attorneys at law of Spokane, be appointed to the position.

Another candidate for the position is Ben Norman, manager of the Hotel Spokane. Mr. Norman is the uncle of W. S. Norman, manager of the Rossland Water company. He is an Englishman by birth and has been a resident of Spokane for the past 15 years, where he is well thought of as he has an absolutely clean record. He has large interests in Spokane and could always be found when needed. Mr. Norman has many strong friends in Spokane who would like to see him appointed to the position.

In his behalf the sentiment is strongly in favor of the appointment of a vice-consul at Spokane, for the reason that it would be a great convenience to the people of this city and of the Kootenays generally.

DOMESTIC FELICITY

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Will Give Another Concert.

The members of the Choral union are busy preparing for another concert to be given early in June. During the absence of Mr. Low, the conductor, Mr. Hart-McHarg, the president of the society, has contended to wield the baton. Mr. Hart-McHarg is a gentleman of well known musical ability and training. The regular rehearsal this week has been postponed until Wednesday evening, on account of the Queen's birthday festivities.

BOSSONAL.

God of our father, known of old— Lord of our father's hand we hold— Domination over palm and pine— Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet. Let us forget—let us forget!

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Hotel Arrivals.

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all are progressing favorably. Sickness is very prevalent at Bullhead and there is great difficulty in obtaining medicine.

Last Wednesday evening while the Alberta was discharging her cargo at Kuskonook, George Crook, manager of Turner, Beaton & Company's branch at Moyie City, was pacing up and down the deck of the old Spokane which is used as a wharf. With his mind doubled far from the scene of his promenade he deliberately walked off the beam, plunging into eight feet of none too warm lake water, from which he was fished with no small difficulty in a rather dazed and chilly condition, giving as a reason for so doing that he had forgotten "where he was at."

Ben Rankin committed suicide Tuesday morning of last week at the Bartlett hotel, Sandon, by shooting himself through the heart. Deceased had made Slocan City his home for the past year and was well and favorably known here. It is supposed that domestic troubles were the cause of the unfortunate man taking his life. His remains were laid to rest on Thursday in the Slocan City cemetery by the L. O. F. of which order the deceased was a member.

A convention of Government supporters is to be held in Vernon on the 28th.

The Inland Sentinel states that Mr. Melnes, M. P., will run as Opposition candidate in North Nanaimo or Comox. A fierce fire in the brush along the bay at New Denver destroyed a handsome corner of wood a few days since.

A prospector named Harmon Knorr was drowned recently on the Columbia river, above Revelstoke, at the mouth of Carnes creek.

The C. P. R. officers on the lake steamers are rigged out in handsome uniforms, resplendent in some cases with gold lace.

John Clunin, formerly of Kaslo, and better known as "Thoughtnut Jack," is reported to have lost his leg by freezing in the Klondike. The report lacks confirmation.

A bylaw has been introduced in the Grand Forks council allowing concert halls, and the citizens take this to be a sign that they are going to have a wide open town.

Recount there arose a difference of opinion between Rev. McLennan and the Presbyterian church of Grand Forks. It ended in the pastor filing his resignation with the trustees, but it has not yet been accepted.

British men are now employed on the bridge over Kootenay lake, where the Crow's Nest railway will cross. It is expected to be three months more in building, and will be two miles and a half in length.

Grand Forks, Carson and Nelson are endeavoring to join forces in having a four day celebration from July 1 to July 4, the celebration to begin at Grand Forks on Dominion day and conclude in Nelson on July 4.

The work of constructing the telephone line from Bossburg to Cascade City and Grand Forks has been begun. The extension of the line to Republic has been so successful that it was concluded to build into the Boundary county.

Vanouver D. G. McDougal is spoken of as a probable Opposition candidate, while Captain Tatlow may run on the Government side. Mr. George Barley may stand for election as a "labor" candidate.

A rich land of 10-year-old whisky was discovered by a well-known livery stable proprietor in town, while plowing up a garden on the river bank near the bridge. A five-gallon keg was first unearthed, then the whole works of the contents were spilled. Subsequently two more barrels were turned up. No doubt the finders had run on to an old construction period whisky cache.—Revelstoke Herald.

Dr. Christie of Osoyoos, Dominion veterinary inspector for that section, who some days ago quarantined a valuable horse belonging to Bert Mitchell of Grand Forks, last Tuesday shot the animal. Dr. Christie says that this is the only time he has ever done so.

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THE WEEK'S REPORT.

Those stocks most active during the past week have been Monte Christo, War Eagle and Deer Park. The management of the former property have declared their intentions to at once proceed shipping FIFTY TONS OF ORE PER DAY to the trail smelter, and it is confidently asserted that the mine can be made to produce with but a little extra effort ONE HUNDRED TONS PER DAY. To our clients and the public, we recommend you to buy Monte Christo now, while you can get it at the present price.

Name of Company.	Price.	Name of Company.	Price.	Name of Company.	Price.
Abe Lincoln	7 1/2	Eureka Con.	6	Monte Christo	23 1/2
Arington	11	Evening Star	6	Noble Five	23 1/2
Big Three	8 1/2	Gertrude	6	Northern Belle	3 1/4
Brandon	7 1/2	Good Hope	3	Peerman	11
Crown	25	Grand Prize	3	Salmo Con. Mining and	
Canadian Gold Fields	8	Iron Mask	4 1/2	Der. Co.	15
Salmo	25	Josie	30	Silverline	6
Canada Western	10	Jubilee	10	St. Elmo	6
Cariboo (Camp McK.)	25	Le Roi	36 1/2	Virginia	6
Deer Park	13 1/2	Lily May	25	War Eagle	16 1/2
Dundee	25	Monita	16	West Le Roi	25

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS:

30,000 Alberta, 4c; 500 Big Three, 7c; 10,000 Canadian M. & D. Co. (pooled) 3c; 1,600 Cariboo (Camp McKinney) 5c; 6,900 Deer Park, 12 1/2c; 200 Dundee, 4c; 5,000 Giant, offer wanted; 5,000 Gertrude, 5c; 1,000 Golden Cache, offer wanted; 3,000 Good Hope, 3c; 2,500 Iron Colt, offer wanted; 1,000 Iron Mask, 4c; 200 London Hill (Slocan), 2c; 2,000 Monte Christo Con., 25c; 25,000 Nelson Peerman, 1c; 1,500 Northern Belle, 10c; 10,000 Norman, 10c; 500 Silverline, 4 1/2c; 2,000 St. Elmo, 5c; 1,000 Tamarack (pooled), 8c; 450 Tinhorn, 16c; 10,000 Van Anda, 4c; 1,000 Washington, offer wanted; 1,000 Winchester, 17c.

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BLOWING OUR OWN TRUMPET.

It being our aspiration to be up to date in all matters relating to this district, we leave no means untried to attain that end, consequently we are in the position to give the fullest information to those interested in the stocks of companies operating in this neighbourhood.

Inviting suggestions. To holders of stock desirous of selling we suggest, list them with us when we will advertise them free of charge.

To those desirous of knowing something of this country, we suggest, write to us, and we will give you all the information in our power.

To those capitalists who would not be averse to increasing their capital, we suggest, correspond with us, when we will talk to you on business lines.

To those who have a little money to spare but who cannot afford to take big risks, we suggest, write to us for particulars of gilt-edge stocks, where the risk is reduced to a minimum.

To the speculator we can suggest a few very promising gambles, if gambles they can be called, where the price is out of all proportion to the anticipated return.

To the public generally, we suggest, follow the progress of the SALMO CONSOLIDATED, and witness our prophecies fulfilled.

The Tax Levy Fixed. The tax rate for the year was fixed by the city council last evening at five mills on the dollar. Improvements will be exempt from taxation to the extent of 50 per cent, of their value. Taxes are allowed if paid on or before Aug. 31. After Dec. 31, taxes will bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum. No poll tax was levied. The report of City Engineer Smith was received, and the grade for Columbia avenue as surveyed by him was adopted. The grade nearly conforms to the present levels.

The Inquiry Closed. VICTORIA, B. C., May 25.—The royal commission appointed by the government to make inquiry as to the conduct of the business of the lands and works of the Dominion Lands and Works Department, B. F. Tilmie of Nelson was severely cross-examined and admitted having correspondence with the premier regarding crown grants issued, alleged to have been so issued for an improper consideration. The evidence given was submitted to the government. Prosecutions for perjury will probably result.

The Oregon Is Safe. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.—Secretary Long received an official dispatch today announcing the arrival of the battleship Oregon at Jupiter Inlet, Florida, at 9:45 a. m.

Rolt & Grogan

THE STOCK MARKET. Corrected by Messrs. Rolt & Grogan, 45 East Columbia Avenue, Telephone 42. P. O. Box 425. Cable address: "Kent." Codes: Bedford-McNeill and Clough.

North Star-Eureka is becoming quite a fashionable stock and we had several inquiries from local and eastern parties. The Jubilee has withdrawn their treasury stock from the market and the company have let a contract to drive a 100-foot tunnel, and work will be pushed vigorously.

Josie is firm at \$14.50. We have still some orders for Virginia, and would ask owners of this stock to communicate with us.

QUOTATIONS. Artington..... 8 1/2 Josie..... 14 1/2 Canada Western..... 10 LeRoy..... 36 1/2 Commander..... 15 Monte Christo..... 23 1/2 Deer Park..... 14 Noble Five..... 23 1/2 Dundee..... 25 Peerman..... 11 Good Hope..... 3 Silverline..... 6 Iron Mask..... 4 1/2 St. Elmo..... 6 War Eagle..... 16 1/2 Jubilee..... 10 Virginia..... 6 West Le Roi..... 25

We have the following bargains subject to sale: 1,000 Peerman..... 11 1,000 Slocan Star..... 16 1/2 2,000 Northern Belle..... 4 1/2 1,000 Good Friday..... 11 5,000 Iron Colt..... 10 1,000 Star-Eureka..... 10 200 Dundee..... 4 2 5,000 Dardanelles..... 8 2,000 Good Hope..... 3

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Mining Broker - Rossland.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Alberta 20.000..... 3 1/2 Kettle River..... 15 Aitf 100..... 6 1/2 Keystone..... 20 Arlington..... 10 1/2 LaFleur Con. Com. 5 Athabasca 2,500..... 3 Lerwick..... 15 B. C. Gold Fields..... 3 Le Roi..... 36 1/2 Bear Fox..... 2 1/2 Mascot..... 6 1/2 Big Six, Eureka..... 2 1/2 Mayflower..... 6 1/2 Big Three..... 8 1/2 Monte Christo..... 23 1/2 Cariboo, C. McK. 55 Monting Star..... 2 1/2 Canadian G. F. 25 Morning Star..... 2 1/2 Canada Western..... 10 Musgrum..... 5 Coloma..... 2 1/2 Noble Five..... 23 1/2 Commander..... 15 Northern Belle..... 3 1/4 Dardanelles..... 8 Old Gold & Eureka..... 5 Dayton..... 8 Palo Alto, 5,000..... 2 1/2 Delcoila..... 2 Peerman..... 11 Early Bingham..... 22 Rambler..... 22 Edger..... 5 Red Mountain View 3 Resurrection M & S..... 5 Eureka Con. Ross 5/8 Rosland Green Mt. 2 1/2 Eureka Star, 5,000..... 3 Rossland M. & D. Co. 5 Fern..... 80 Royal Gold..... 5 Gertrude..... 6 Salmo Consolidated..... 15 Good Friday..... 3 Smuggler, Fairview 24 Good Hope..... 3 St. Elmo..... 6 Golden Cache..... 5 Silverline..... 6 Grand Prize..... 3 Tom Thump..... 2 1/2 Iron Colt 1,000..... 11 Virginia..... 26 Iron Mask..... 4 1/2 War Eagle..... 16 1/2 Ivanhoe, 5,000..... 2 1/2 White Bird..... 12 Josie..... 14 Winnipeg-Eureka..... 16 Bear Family..... 16

WANTED FOR CASH BUYERS—St. Elmo, Josie, Grand Prize, Monte Christo, Iron Mask, Eureka Con.

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Market was active and stead at \$1.45 to \$1.60. Best week this advance we look for it to reach...

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ANOTHER SHIPPER

Monte Christo Consolidated To Be Added to the List.

WILL SHIP 50 TONS A DAY

The Good Work Will Commence on About the 25th of the Present Month—There is Said to Be Plenty of Pay Ore in the Mine.

George Crocker, the second vice-president of the Southern Pacific railway, left in his private car at noon Thursday for New York. Mr. Crocker is one of the largest stockholders in the Monte Christo Consolidated, which is operating the Monte Christo and the Colonna properties. While here in company with his expert, Cherrington Johnson, he made a thorough inspection of the Monte Christo and Colonna properties, and both gentlemen expressed themselves as more than pleased with the appearance and value of both. The result was that he directed the managing director of the company, George E. Plunder, to begin the shipping of ore at the earliest possible moment. The intention now is to begin shipping ore at least 50 tons per day to the Trail smelter. The first shipment will be made on or about the 25th of the present month. Further on the shipments will be increased to a larger quantity per diem. The ore is blocked out and there is a large quantity in the stopes ready to be knocked down. It is of a good shipping grade and will leave a fair margin of profit to the company after paying all expenses. With the power that will be afforded by the compressor plant on the City of Spokane property, which has been leased, in addition to its own, gives the Monte Christo company five machine drills, and with this number rapid progress can be made and a large quantity of ore can be taken out each day. It must be remembered, however, that work on this property has been steadily in progress with a large force for over a year past, and that it has been thoroughly and properly opened and is therefore in first-class shape to begin shipping. The idea has been to attain depth so as to get below the effect of surface disturbances. This has been done and the result is that the mine has been properly developed. The fact that one more property of the importance of the Monte Christo has been added to the list of the camp's shippers is an event of great importance. There are other mining properties here that are being brought to the same condition as the Monte Christo and at intervals they will be added to the shipping list. This list should be doubled during the present year.

A NOTABLE EVENT.

The Adding of the Monte Christo to the List of Shippers.

The announcement in yesterday's Miner that the Monte Christo will at once join the list of steadily shipping mines set the stock of that company into even heavier demand than ever, and it rose steadily in price although there was very little actual dealing, as holders generally anticipated a sharp rise and decline to let go their scrip at even the advanced prices. Some stockholders are demanding 25 cents for the stock and refuse to let go at any less figure, as they say they look for it to bring that figure within a very few days.

At the mine arrangements are being made to commence stopping on the date set, the 25th of the month, and air piping for supporting the drills to be used in the stopes is being installed. Two machines will be put at work breaking down ore, and they will have no difficulty in handling 25 tons a day each, as work is to be carried on continuously at night and day, which will mean an addition of at least 12 men to the present force at the mine, which numbers nearly 40.

"While it is as yet only given out that shipments will aggregate 50 tons per day, yet I think it is more than likely that they will reach the 100-ton mark," said a mining man yesterday, who is in close touch with the management of the property. "As you may remember, when Vice-President Shaughnessy of the C. P. R. was here last fall, it transpired that the mine was in a condition to ship 100 tons daily if the officers so decided, and since then development has been going on continuously, blocking out ore for the most part. If the mine is to ship 100 tons daily then it would certainly have no trouble in increasing that figure now if it became expedient. It is estimated that the ore will yield a profit of at least \$10 per ton, so that shipments of merely of \$180,000 a year would mean a profit of \$180,000 a year to the company, which if distributed would yield a dividend of nearly 8 cents per share the first year to the company."

THE BROMIDE PROCESS.

Velvet Ore to Be Sent to London for Treatment.

Captain James Morrish, the engineer-in-chief for the New Gold Fields of British Columbia, which owns the Velvet, expects to make an early shipment of three tons of Velvet ore to London, to be treated by the new Cassel bromide process, which it is expected will be able to reduce that class of ore at a cost not greater than \$5 per ton.

The process, which is a new one just receiving its initial trial, has been perfected by John Cassel, the originator of the present well known Cassel process of gold extraction, which has been very successfully adopted on low grade ores all over the world. The new bromide process is an improvement upon it to treat refractory rock.

While in London recently Captain Morrish showed some samples of the Velvet ore to Mr. Cassel, who at once expressed the opinion that the new process would be entirely applicable to it, and asked that some working samples be sent for experimental purposes. In accordance with this request, Captain Morrish will make a shipment of about three tons, divided between the first class ore produced by the property and the concentrating rock. If the tests demonstrate that the bromide process will treat it successfully, a reduction in the cost of the ore will be made. In the past the great trouble with chemical processes has been that they

have not proven applicable to the refractory ores containing copper in any considerable quantities, and if the new Cassel treatment overcomes this difficulty it will do wonders towards solving the vexed problem of handling at a profit the low grade ores of the Rossland camp.

THE LEAD QUESTION.

A Prominent Mining and Smelting Man Gives His Views.

William Braden, of the Braden Brothers syndicate, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Braden, although young in years, is one of the most successful mining and smelting men in the west. His firm has become heavily interested in Kootenay, and now owns several shipping silver-lead mines, including the famous Blue Bell, on Kootenay lake, the Tariff near Alnsworth, and the Lucky Jim, in the Slocan. The Bradens also own the Pilot Bay smelter and concentrator.

Mr. Braden has been one of the prime movers in the attempt to induce the Dominion government to encourage the local lead smelting industry. Speaking on this question last night Mr. Braden said that he believed nothing would be done in the matter by parliament this session, beyond, perhaps, the granting of a bonus for the operation of lead smelters in Canada. This is far from satisfactory, but will be better than nothing, and it is just possible that some lead smelting will be done in Kootenay on the strength of it.

Mr. Braden desires to operate the Pilot Bay smelter at the earliest possible date, but cannot say definitely when the work will start up. However, as soon as they are in operation he will give employment to at least 500 men at the smelter and at the several mines owned by the syndicate. At present, the heavy duties that have to be paid on lead bullion and lead ore imported into the United States, the mines and smelter remain idle, although some development work will be done on some of the properties this summer.

The Josie Company.

The shareholders of the Josie Gold Mining company will receive about 31 cents per share when the final settlement is made and all the purchase price has been paid by the British American corporation. According to the report of the secretary the property was sold for \$281,000. Of this sum \$15,000 was paid at the time of the sale on November 27, and on December 28 \$266,000, and on February 28 \$89,000. There are two payments still due, one on May 28 of \$56,000 and the other on July 1st of \$56,000. Some of the stockholders claim that when Hon. C. H. Mackintosh was interviewed on Nov. 28 he said he had paid \$275,000 for the mine and some of the stockholders claim that this is the amount that has actually been paid. The secretary says he has documentary evidence to establish the fact that the sum agreed upon was \$281,000. If the disgruntled stockholders are right they probably wonder what became of the \$14,000.

Le Roi Force Out Down.

The force at the Le Roi has been considerably cut down in accordance with the change in the plans for working the mine. A number of men who have been stopping have been let out, but it is not likely the force will remain below the old time average long, as the development work that is to be undertaken will require a crew as was working before the present temporary lay-off occurred.

Iron Mask Trustees.

The annual meeting of the Iron Mask company was held in Spokane on the 18th of the month, when trustees for the coming year were elected. The report of Manager J. F. Herrick was very satisfactory, while the figures furnished by the superintendent, S. W. Hill, showed that since he took charge of the property in the last week of June, he had spent \$40,000 in development and mining, while the sale of ore had netted \$60,000.

Ore Returns Shipping Values.

The Santa Rosa, on Santa Rosa mountain, just west of Sheep creek, has come into a fine quartz lead at the 250-foot station in the tunnel, containing arsenical iron and galena. A sample test of 150 pounds of rock brought in by Herrick, the superintendent, who is managing the property, returned shipping values, and development on the Santa Rosa will be pushed more actively than ever.

Some Heavy Purchases.

L. C. Dillman of Spokane, who was in camp for a fortnight past, has gone to Republic on mining business. It is credibly reported that while here Mr. Dillman succeeded in securing close to \$350,000 worth of mining properties, which he expects to float in London.

Ore in Deer Park.

From a gentleman who recently visited the Deer Park mine, it was learned that the shaft has attained a depth of 215 feet, and that the bottom of the shaft is in pay ore and that in this there is a pay streak that is three feet wide. The ore is a white quartz carrying arsenical iron and gold.

A Victory-Triumph Lump.

In the window of The Miner office is a 210-pound specimen of ore from the new surface strike that has been made on the property. The ore assays a little over \$15 in all values, and from its appearance came from a large body.

Will Make a Trial Shipment.

Work is proceeding at the Sunset No. 2, raising ore from the shaft recently opened at the top of the hill. It is the intention of the company to make a trial shipment of perhaps two cars.

Sale of the Debentures.

As soon as the 30-days' gazetting of the \$35,000 loan bylaw is complete and there are no applications to quash it, which are hardly looked for, the civic administration will call for tenders for the debentures and they will be let to the highest bidder. Mayor Wallace says he looks for a lively contest for the bonds as the credit of the city is first class, and Rossland five per cent debentures will command par certainly and perhaps a considerable advance.

Bids for Robson-Midway Road Opened.

W. F. Tye, the engineer-in-chief for the Canadian Pacific railway, has opened the bids for the building of the road from the Robson to Midway, but the successful tender has not been announced, nor will it be until the bids are sent to Montreal for confirmation by the chief officers of the road.

A HISTORIC SCENE

Gladstone's Memory Honored in Both Houses of Parliament.

BALFOUR BROKE DOWN

Dillon Lauded the Departed for His Sympathy With the Oppressed—Salisbury Said He Was Ever Guided by a Lofly Moral Ideal.

LONDON, May 20.—The eulogies on Mr. Gladstone formed a historic episode in the house of commons today. There were more members assembled in the house today than upon any occasion since Mr. Gladstone himself introduced the home rule bill. They filled every seat, clustered on the steps of the speaker's dias, and the peer's gallery was crowded with the foremost members of the house of lords. The United States ambassador, Colonel John Hay, and all the members of his staff, were among the diplomats present.

After prayers the house silently awaited Mr. Balfour for a quarter of an hour and when he arose all heads were bared. Mr. Balfour's speech was remarkably eloquent and displayed great good taste, while Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt's enunciation of his dead leader was delivered in a most glowing style, with emotion and embraced the most noble of all races, the Irish benches responded with murmurs of assent.

In the house of lords there was a full attendance of the members. The Marquis of Salisbury spoke feelingly of Mr. Gladstone, who he said "was ever guided by the noblest of motives." Continuing, the premier said: "The deceased will be remembered not so much for his political work as for the great example, hardly paralleled in the history of the great statesman." The Earl of Kimberley, the liberal leader, followed with a touching tribute, and the Duke of Devonshire expressed generous appreciation of Mr. Gladstone's services on behalf of the liberal unionists, saying their severance from Mr. Gladstone was a most painful incident, but he added he could "recall no word from Mr. Gladstone which added unnecessary bitterness to the situation."

The Earl of Rosebery delivered an eloquent panegyric on the dead statesman.

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PYTHIAN GRAND LODGE.

Trail's Delegate Tells About the Session at Kamloops.

Noble Binns has returned from the ninth annual meeting of the grand lodge Knights of Pythias, which convened at Kamloops, says the Trail Creek News. Mr. Binns says the report showed there were 21 lodges in British Columbia, of which two new ones had been formed this year. There were more than 1,325 members in December last. The assets of the subordinate lodges are \$35,304. The grand lodge has recommended to the supreme lodge the age of admission to membership be reduced from 21 year to 18 years. Rossland and Trail lodges extended an invitation to the grand lodge to meet in this section next year, but owing to the great cost of transportation, and the further fact that so many lodges have their homes on the coast, it was decided to hold the next grand lodge session at Victoria. Mr. Binns said the citizens of Kamloops extended a cordial welcome to the visiting knights and provided in every possible way for their entertainment.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

It Is Made Notable by the Distribution of Honors.

LONDON, May 20.—The royal birthday honors are characterized by innumerable military rewards for service in the campaign against the rebellious Afridis on the northwestern frontier of India, no fewer than six Victoria crosses are awarded. Several honors are bestowed upon distinguished Canadians. The Hon. Chas. Alphonse Pelletier, speaker of the senate of Canada, the Hon. Jas. David Mills, speaker of the Canadian house of commons, and John George Bourinot, clerk of the house, are made Knight Commanders of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. Principal Geo. R. Parkin, of the Upper Canada college, Toronto, received a companionship in the Order of St. Michael and St. George. Alexander Gollan, the British consul-general at Havana, has been gazetted a K. C. M. G.

MINING NOTES.

The owners of the Deep Creek mine, which is located 14 miles east of Northport, are considering the question of putting in a water jacket smelter of capacity of 40 tons per day. On the properties of the company, which have been opened to a considerable extent, there are large deposits of silver-lead ore.

FROM THE RECORDS.

Transfers.

Yukon Fraction, one mile east Columbia and Kootenay—James Lawler to Ed Logan.
Spanish Treasure, on east slope of Columbia mountain—Reduction Plant, on west slope of Deer Park mountain—Margaret May to Dip ½, between Alameda and Jo Jo—J. Fyfe and G. N. Taylor to W. H. Jackson, age of 2000 acres, south of Giant—E. S. Topping to Ross Thompson.
Archibald ½, three miles up Murphy creek—Archie Arnold to G. E. Miller.
Wizard, adjoining Archibald—H. F. Arnold to G. H. Miller.

O. H. City, on Red Mountain railway—M. E. Purcell to W. E. Judd.

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John Ferguson McCrae returned last Saturday from a visit to the Slocan country, where he has been looking over his mining interests.

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ANGLO-AMERICAN ALLIANCE.

Coming events cast their shadows before, and the much talked of Anglo-American alliance is sure to materialize, and this, too, despite such statements as have been made by Prince Bismarck, that this combine would be inimical to the interests of America. The great ex-chancellor of Germany whose genius has gathered a bundle of weak and warring principalities and states into what is now known as the German empire, sees in this proposed alliance a power which even the legions of his fatherland would not be able to cope and which would overshadow all other possible aggregations of nations so far as fighting strength and power for good are concerned. It would be as unconquerable as was the Roman empire in the heyday of its power or the army of Alexander when he led it in person. It is easy, therefore, to see why Prince Bismarck desires to throw cold water on the plan which fairly shines in the eyes of those who have comprehension sufficient to see its wonderful possibilities.

From a British standpoint it means an alliance for offensive and defensive purposes, which should never be used for oppression. As Hon. Joseph Chamberlain said in his speech the other day, Great Britain has stood practically alone since the Crimean war and is still amply able to take her own part in any quarrel that might be forced upon her. The feeling now is that if there is a combined attack made on Great Britain it will be more on account of the friendly spirit that she is manifesting toward the United States than for anything else, and yet in the face of this menacing danger she continues to show favoritism for the people of the United States in such a marked and unmistakable manner as to irritate nearly every nation in Europe. The history of the British nation has been one long fight for the advancement of mankind, and in this respect the only country that compares with her is the United States. Notwithstanding the fact that through the superior enterprise of her subjects she has acquired a great deal of territory, it is noticeable that she cares less for the acquirement of new areas than she does for the advancement of civilization and the good of humanity, and in this respect she is also like the United States.

On the other hand the United States is just entering upon a career in the way of acquiring territory. By conquest she has already virtually secured the Philippine Islands and is certain to take over Hawaii. It is sure that Cuba will fall into her lap next by power of her brave sailors and soldiers, and so the work of her peaceful and warlike conquests goes bravely on.

Notwithstanding the determination that the Americans made long since to acquire nothing outside a certain zone, the policy is one that cannot long be adhered to. The United States is already growing too small a field for the restless energy of her people. Her production, like that of England, has already outgrown the capacity of its markets which she has access to. In order to find new markets she must, perforce, have colonies, just as England has, which will trade with her because they are American dependencies. This need of fresh markets will sweep aside, before long, that particular portion of the American doctrine which prohibits the acquisition of territory from other countries. In this work she will meet with the hostility of jealous powers and in time there will be strong combines of nations formed against her, but if an alliance is made with Great Britain she could laugh at any aggregation that could be arrayed to oppose her.

Outside of these considerations the people of the United States will not forget that in the hour of trouble Great Britain has stood like a rock and prevented the armed intervention of the Continental powers in the present war. Hence we believe that the sentiment of gratitude alone will compel her to make an offensive and defensive alliance with Great Britain at the earliest possible moment. Such a national partnership would be one of the greatest factors for good that the world has yet seen. It would be one that would stand for peace, and the advancement of mankind, and besides would be better, than all, invincible. It would fix the status of the Anglo-Saxon race on such a firm footing that it would rule the world.

THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

The Montreal Star prints a timely editorial on Canada's exhibit at the Paris Exposition. It points out that the 12,000 feet allotted to this country is altogether too small. When this space is further diminished by the provision of necessary passage ways, Canada will be able to do very little in the way of displaying her products and capabilities to the visiting world.

The value of being well represented at Paris will be hard for the Canadian people to over estimate. The world will be there, drawing comparisons between the different countries as represented by their exhibits; and more public opinion concerning us will be formed that summer in the French capital than during many another year, when we are only an expression on the map to multitudes of Europeans. The States of the Union received not a little of their rating in the general estimation by the size and excellence of their exhibits at the Chicago Exhibition; for there was a chance

to make a comparative study of them all in a day. And the Paris Exposition will be far fuller of opportunity to us than any exhibition on this continent could be.

Provided suitable accommodation can be obtained, British Columbia can make a display of her natural resources at the Exposition that would excel anything of the kind from any other part of the world.

A TYPICAL KOOTENAY MAN.

News comes from the Slocan that an effort will be made there to induce A. E. Fauquier, of New Denver, to be a candidate for election to the legislative assembly at the general elections. This is a genuine instance of the office seeking the man, and not the man seeking the office. The MINER has yet to learn whether Mr. Fauquier is willing to accept the nomination, but has no hesitation in saying that the Slocan division does not contain a man more suitable to represent it in the legislature than he. Mr. Fauquier has resided in the Slocan for several years, and he is well known throughout the division. We do not believe that he has an enemy in the Kootenays, or elsewhere, for that matter. To know him is to appreciate him as a man of the strictest integrity and the kindest disposition. Mr. Fauquier is in close touch with the miners of the Slocan, and by them he is greatly esteemed and respected. He is not a politician, but his public spiritedness and western ideas of progressiveness, coupled with his abilities as a business man, have gained for him an enviable reputation in the neighborhood where he resides. THE MINER hopes that Mr. Fauquier will not hesitate to accept the nomination that his friends are desirous of tendering to him.

THE MONTE CHRISTO.

The fact that the Monte Christo is about to join the list of shippers of this camp marks an epoch in its history. It is no small event anywhere when a property of the importance of this begins its career as a shipper with many thousands of tons of shipping ore in sight. The mines here have bottom to them and when they once begin to ship there is no telling when the depth at which working must cease will be attained. The able and scientific manner in which the Monte Christo has been handled is an object lesson to those who desire to mine successfully in this camp. The company began its operations properly and conducted them on these lines to a successful issue. The best mining talent available was secured and those invested with the developing work were given a free hand and full swing to conduct the task along lines that are followed wherever successful mining is carried on. The company was well supplied with funds and there was no hesitancy manifested about spending them so long as actual valuable results were achieved. It is now next to the deepest mine, it is claimed by the management, in the Trail Creek division. It has a vertical depth of 600 feet. In a little over a year a greater depth has been reached than in some of the other mines that have been operated twice that length of time.

The objects sought by the company in its operations were to open the property in the very best manner possible, so that when shipping was begun it could be carried on to the very best advantage, in the most economical manner, and so that once the marketing of the ore began it could be kept up indefinitely. All of these ends have been accomplished. This was evidenced by the fact that when Mr. Shaughnessy was in this city last fall it was stated by the management that 100 tons of ore could be shipped daily from the mine for an indefinite period.

It may be said that it is not every company that has the financial backing that the Monte Christo Consolidated had to spend so large a sum of money in putting a mining property in such excellent shape. Such results must be sooner attained by companies financially less strong than is the Monte Christo Consolidated. To such companies there are only two ways open, one is to endeavor to attain less thorough results with a smaller expenditure, and the other is to sell out to some combination that can carry on the work as it should be. To those who are in a similar position financially to follow the example of the Monte Christo, our advice is to do it, for it is far the cheapest in the long run.

With the Monte Christo, the Le Roi, the War Eagle, the Centre Star, the Iron Mask, the Velvet, the Poorman and other properties sending their products to the smelter, the output of the division this year will be something phenomenal.

TRIBUTE TO GLADSTONE.

Shakespeare has said that the evil which men do lives after them, and he might with equal truth have said that the good which men do survives the date of their demise. This was evidenced yesterday in the house of lords and house of commons, in each of which tributes were paid to the memory of the late William Ewart Gladstone, which in fervor or feeling have not been equalled in these bodies since the death of Disraeli in 1881. In fact, such honors have seldom been shown a public man by his greatest of legislative bodies as was the case yesterday. Liberals and Conservatives vied with each other in their earnest praise of the departed

premier. Sir William Harcourt was so affected during the delivery of his panegyric on the virtues of his late colleague that he thrice stopped through the very excess of heartfelt emotion. Lord Salisbury spoke eloquently of the qualities of Mr. Gladstone and others made speeches that rose to the full height of the impressive scene and moving situation. The young, the middle aged and the aged will read the account of this scene with tingling blood. The young will be better for having heard of it as it will stir up in them a desire to live a like life and the old will say if they had another opportunity they would try to follow in the footsteps of the dead statesman. The entire effect of the episode was good, because it reveals that there is ample reward for those who unselfishly and unceasingly work for the betterment of their kind. The rewards of the unselfish, after all, are the greatest.

THE LEAD IMPORT DUTY.

Elsewhere will be found an interview with William Braden, of the Braden Brothers syndicate. A perusal of Mr. Braden's statement sent the local lead industry shows that there is no hope that the much desired legislation by parliament will be enacted this session, and that the best that may be expected this year is the granting of a Dominion bonus on lead ore smelted in Canada. Should the local lead smelters operate to their full capacity it will require an appropriation of about \$500,000 to pay this bonus for one year. But even then the industry will not be on a satisfactory basis.

If the government had accepted the recommendations of the Kootenay delegates, this would not have been necessary. At the same time lead smelting in this district would have at once become practical, and employment would thereby have been given here to hundreds of men, and fully \$500,000 would have been saved annually by the silver-lead miners of this district by them not having to pay the import duty on lead ore to the United States.

The question is of vital importance to the people of Kootenay. Until parliament frees the silver-lead miners of this district from the grasp of American smelters, the local lead industry will continue to be seriously handicapped. THE MINER therefore suggests that the agitation for an import duty based on the United States tariff be kept up. Let the newspapers and the various public bodies of British Columbia keep this question prominently to the front until the existing evils are remedied.

WELCOME ALL!

Rossland is going to have a celebration of the Queen's Birthday, and as we never do anything by halves it will be both enthusiastic and pleasant. The festivities (for particulars of which see small bills) will begin on the 24th and end on the 25th. There will be \$1,200 in cash prizes hung up for the various events, and this is sure to cause the keenest of competition among the many contestants who will endeavor to win glory and gain on this occasion. All the sports and games will be as free as air to the resident and the visitor. A special invitation is hereby tendered on behalf of the citizens of this city to all who care to come and enjoy the feast of good things that has been prepared. The freedom of the city is extended heartily to all comers who join in the merry making on this occasion. The people of Rossland want the citizens of Trail, of Nelson, Ymir, Sandon, Kaslo, New Denver, Slocan City, Arrowhead, Kuskonook, Ainsworth, Greenwood, Midway, Grand Forks, Northport, Bossburg, Spokane and other places to join with us heartily in the observation of this day. All will be made welcome and good entertainment is assured. The Queen's birthday, more than any other, is dear to the hearts of loyal British subjects. It means to them that the great and benignant sovereign has reigned over them another year that has been characterized by prosperity and advancement along all the lines of human progress and development. It is an earnest desire to follow another twelve months of the same sort of progress. It is a day of thanksgiving, good will, good cheer, rejoicing and thankfulness for past benefits and of wishes for a continuance of the same. What wonder is it, therefore, that wherever there is a handful of the subjects of Her Gracious Majesty, the Queen, no matter in what part of the world they may be, they heartily, loyally and earnestly observe the day. Therefore, we ask all who feel they can to come to us on this pleasant occasion and to once more renew vows of fealty to and reverence for the greatest of rulers, and at the same time to join in the merriment that is incidental to the occasion. We think the sentiment contained in the words "God Save the Queen" will nowhere be more heartily expressed than it will be in this mining city, located as it is, in the misty tope of the Kootenay mountains.

IMPERIAL DEFENSE.

A Co-operative System for the Defense of the Empire, was the subject discussed at the last regular meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute. This is a question of vital importance, and one that the colonies are anxious to see quickly materialize. It is regrettable that no plan has been adopted with this end in view, for there is no telling when Great Britain may be forced into a war with one or

more of the European powers. Vast sums of money are yearly spent in a piecemeal defence of the various portions of the Empire. From reasons of self-interest, expediency and economy, it is surely not too much to urge that the time has arrived when all portions of Her Majesty's dominions, with their enormous military and other resources, should be prepared to co-operate in a mutual defense, and should decide to accept one general policy—elastic it may be—upon which they are to maintain their independence as a great people. This is a matter for the immediate consideration of the military and naval leaders of the Empire.

JOSEPH MARTIN'S CANDIDACY.

The Vancouver Province is restless in its efforts to boom Joseph Martin, ex-M. P., for Winnipeg, for the legislative assembly. In its issue of the 18th inst., the Province prints a requisition which it asks the people to sign, in the hope that Mr. Martin may be thereby induced to accept the nomination to stand for Vancouver at the general elections. The Province wants to prove to Mr. Martin that the people of Vancouver are certain to elect him, should he enter the field. This is an excellent way of testing a man's popularity. Still, it seems to us that the Province has started to boom the ex-member for Winnipeg rather late in the day. There can be no doubt but that Mr. Martin would be a valuable acquisition to the Provincial legislature, he cannot expect to succeed in effectually organizing the Opposition between now and the elections. The Province is doing good work for its party, but should have undertaken the task of reorganizing the opponents of the Turner administration six months ago in order to record a victory next July.

However, it is not improbable that Mr. Martin will yet take the field. If he does so, it is safe to say that while the Government will be returned, it will be so with a reduced majority than it has at present. This will suit the ends of the southeastern districts of the Province, for the reason that the Independent Kootenay members of the legislature will have a better opportunity than ever to control the balance of power.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

If Governor Mackintosh keeps on he will make every man in Rossland a millionaire.—The Province.

SOME eastern papers seem to imagine that the "West" is solely comprised of the Northwest Territories and Manitoba, and look upon wheat growing as the only resource of the people living this side of Ontario.

CANADA is well rid of Senator Polo y Bernabe. This country has no desire to harbor Spanish spies, nor to help Spain in any way in her present trouble with our good neighbors to the south.

THE Vancouver World says British Columbia wants broad-minded, unselfish men to guide her ship of state. This is quite true, and for this reason Kootenay is prepared to send men to the legislature who think more of the welfare of the district than the political ambitions of the leaders of either the Government or the Opposition party.

THE breach between the Conservative leaders at Ottawa is widening and a strong effort is being made to oust Sir Charles Tupper from the position as chieftain of the party. Clarke Wallace has bluntly announced in the house of commons that he does not propose to be bound by what Sir Charles may do as leader.

A GRATUITY of \$5,000 is to be voted to William Ogilvie in recognition of his public services in connection with the survey and exploration of the Klondike district. Ogilvie's report on the auriferous alluvial deposits of the Yukon country is largely responsible for the mad rush to the Northwest Territories during the past nine months. It would be more appropriate, however, if the transportation companies instead of parliament rewarded Mr. Ogilvie for his efforts in this particular instance.

McKENZIE & MANN continue to pester the Dominion Government for a subsidy for the construction of the Yukon railway. The second attempt is in the form of a proposal to accept 10,000 acres per mile, and a cash grant of \$80,000 a year for 20 years. In the interest of the people of Canada, it is fervently hoped that parliament will refuse point blank to give even the smallest kind of a subsidy towards this scheme. McKenzie & Mann already have received an enormous grant from this Province, that was not and never can be justified.

THE best evidence that the Kootenay stock market is becoming more important every day is the way outside brokers are commencing to advertise. The advertising columns of the Spokane, Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern newspapers now contain quotations of prices of Kootenay mining stocks. These outside firms, however, are not cutting in to the business done by Rossland brokers, for the reason that the prices of stocks are made here. Rossland is the headquarters of the Kootenay mining stock market, and outside brokers are simply the agents of the local brokers. The day is not far distant when the local stock market will assume huge proportions.

THERE was a touch of Quixotic spirit shown Saturday in the Spanish chamber of deputies. Senor Robledo called Viscount di Puestas a liar. The Viscount followed the man who attacked his veracity from the chamber and told him to consider that his "ears had been boxed." The result was a challenge and today there will be a duel. If such a result is to follow in this case we wonder what the outcome would have been had di Puestas told his enemy that he might consider his eyes blackened and his nose bleeding from repeated blows. Perhaps there would have followed a family feud or perhaps a revolution. Viewed in the old critical light of the nineteenth century such heroics seem strangely out of place.

DISCUSSING Mr. Chamberlain's already famous speech, the New York Tribune, after quoting his words that it might be worth while to have war if "in a great and noble cause the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack should wave together over an Anglo-Saxon alliance," says: "That sentiment, too, was greeted with prolonged cheers. It was worthy of them. There may never be such an alliance in formal, written terms. And there may be. But what is unmistakable, not only inevitable in future, but actual in the present, actual and potent, is this: That the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon race are drawing nearer and nearer together for co-operation in peace and—in logical sequence—in war as well. Every word that promotes that movement is to be welcomed and applauded. And well to the fore among such words are those spoken by Mr. Chamberlain, directly to an English audience, but indirectly, and no less meaningfully, to all the world.

WITHIN a few weeks the city council will advertise tenders for the purchase of \$35,000 worth of the municipality's debentures. There should be lively bidding for these securities. The city is making great progress as a center of population and commerce. Rossland's future is very bright, and the permanency of the camp, even among the most skeptical, is now unquestioned. Rossland is something more than a mining camp; it is the metropolis of Southern British Columbia. When Rossland retrogrades, it will be the mineral deposits of the Kootenays and South Yale are worthless. With the completion of the railway system that will soon be in operation in this district, the merchants of Rossland will enjoy exceptional advantages for the development of a very extensive jobbing trade. As a mining and commercial center the future of Rossland is assured. It is therefore evident that those who hold Rossland debentures will have an interest-bearing security of safest kind.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Chairmen and Secretaries of Districts Elected—Assignments Made.

VICTORIA, May 19.—The closing session of the Methodist conference was held yesterday. The chairmen and secretaries of districts elected are respectively as follows: Victoria, Rev. J. C. Speer and Rev. J. P. Hicks; Vancouver, Rev. A. E. Green and Rev. N. Miller; Westminster, Rev. J. F. Betts and Rev. J. H. White; Kamloops, Rev. C. Ladner and Rev. S. J. Thompson; Kootenay, Rev. J. A. Wood and Rev. J. Robson. The final report on the list of stations makes a few changes from the first draft, including the following: Rossland, Rev. George Morden and D. D. Birks; Nelson, Rev. J. Robson; Kaslo, Rev. J. A. Wood; Nicola, T. Neville; Ashcroft, R. B. Laidley; Lillooet, H. Clegg.

The Government Sustained.

VICTORIA, May 19.—The legislature yesterday took up the long adjourned debate on the motion of Mr. Williams to condemn the government matter of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway lands. The motion was lost on the division of 16 to 12. The order paper was pretty well cleared and prorogation is likely to take place on Friday.

LEGISLATURE ENDS.

IT WAS PROPOSED by Lieutenant Governor McInnes yesterday.

VICTORIA, May 20.—The fourth and last session of the seventh legislature of British Columbia was prorogued by Lieutenant Governor McInnes this afternoon, with the usual formalities and without other noteworthy incidents.

The full court today gave judgment in the case of Henry vs. O. P. R., ordering a new trial, his appeal against non-suit in the court below in his action for damages for killing a horse being allowed.

News comes from Telegraph creek that Hector McLean, a brother of the McLean brothers, who were hanged at Kamloops in the seventies, has been sentenced to three years imprisonment for a murderous assault on an Indian.

RAILWAY BUILDING.

According to Premier Turner Many Miles of Track Will Be Constructed.

VICTORIA, May 21.—The legislature yesterday concluded the business of the session, and last evening the usual parting compliments were exchanged. Premier Turner in his closing address said: "I have much pleasure in stating that the railway from Rossland to the coast will be commenced immediately, and that the line from Teslin lake to the coast of the province will also be under construction within the next few weeks, indeed it is virtually in progress already. We will see within the next 12 months the railway from Robson and Penitence running into Boundary, and in the near future the all-Canadian route to Teslin lake will be in operation."

Price of Silver.

New York, May 21.—Bar silver, 57 1/2 c; Mexican dollars, 45 1/4 c; silver certificates, 57 1/2 c @ 58c.

Copper Mining.

Those concerned in copper mining in Canada will be interested to know that 1897 proved a banner year for that industry in other parts of the world. The metal has been in great demand, and mining companies have been enabled to amass big profits. The continued large requirements and the consequent maintenance of prices are reflected in the dividends that foreign corporations are now paying for the past year. All of the large companies working in the Iberian Peninsula have increased their payments. The Rio Tinto, which last year divided its shares equally into five per cent preferred and ordinary, pays 40 per cent on the latter, making an average of 22 1/2 per cent on the whole for 1897, which compares with 19 per cent for 1896, and 11 per cent for 1895. The Thursta, a very conservative company, pays 25 per cent for 1897, besides writing off \$240,000 from the value of its property. For 1896 this company paid 17 1/2 per cent, and 10 per cent for 1895. The Mason & Barry company, in Portugal, pays 6 1/2 per cent, an increase of 1 per cent over 1896, and moreover repays to stockholders £1 per share, or one-third of the recent par value of their stock—a somewhat unusual method of disposing of the sinking or depreciation fund. It has been a busy and generally a prosperous year for the copper companies.

The merchants of Rossland are petitioning for the appointment of a British vice-consul at Spokane, and it is expected that the appointment will shortly be made.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned as brewers, under name, style and firm of the Columbia Brewery Company, in the City of Rossland, British Columbia, has been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to Henry Gaul, at the premises on first avenue, in Rossland aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Henry Gaul by whom the same will be settled.

Dated at Rossland, B. C., this eighteenth day of May, A. D. 1898.

JOHN GRADEN, HENRY GAUL, W. B. TOWNSEND.

The Le Roi Mining and Smelting Co., (Foreign.)

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the above company will be held at the offices of Messrs. Daly & Hamilton, Keller block, Columbia avenue, Rossland, British Columbia, on Friday, the third day of June at 8 o'clock, in the evening, for the purpose of considering and, if deemed advisable, passing a resolution authorizing the disposal of the whole or any portion of the assets of the company, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting.

L. F. WILLIAMS, Secretary. Dated at Rossland, B. C., this 12th May, 1898.

The British Columbia (Rossland and Slocan) Syndicate, Limited.

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, have been appointed attorney for the British Columbia (Rossland and Slocan) syndicate, limited, by its power of attorney duly executed and deposited with the registrar of joint stock companies, to replace the attorneys formerly appointed.

Dated at Rossland, B. C., this 4th day of May, 1898.

ANTHONY JOHN MCMILLAN, Address: Rossland, B. C.

The Commonwealth Gold Mining and Development Company, Ltd. Ly.

The necessary consent thereto required by law having been obtained, notice is hereby given that the Commonwealth Gold Mining and Development Company, Limited Liability, after thirty days from the insertion of this notice in the British Columbia Gazette and The Miner, a newspaper published in the city of Rossland, will change its office or principal place of business from the city of Rossland to the town of Peachland, Okanagan lake, British Columbia.

W. J. ROBINSON, Secretary. Dated the 10th day of May, A. D. 1898. 5-19-98.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Vernon mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district, where located: On Red mountain, between the California and Evening mineral claims. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for F. McIvor Melvor Campbell (as trustee), No. 3,176A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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

N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 14th day of May, 1898. 5-19-108.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Emu, Kurrajong, Whitrook, Holstupik, Duphumin mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district, where located: On Lookout mountain, acting as agent for F. McIvor Melvor Campbell (as trustee), No. 3,176A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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

N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 23rd day of March, 1898. 4-7-108.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Little Giant, Tilly H. Copper King and Little Vias mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district, where located: one and one half miles south of Trail, on Lookout mountain. Take notice that I, Sydney M. Johnson, acting as agent for the Canada Mutual Mining & Development Company, Limited, free miner's certificate No. 3,176A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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

N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 23rd day of March, 1898. 3-31-108.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Black Diamond mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district, where located: north of and adjoining the Independent and Cotton Fox mineral claims. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for I. B. Colton-Fox, free miner's certificate No. 3,206A, and Campbell Swiney, free miner's certificate No. 3,206B, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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

N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 22nd day of April, 1898. 4-28-108.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Emu Fraction mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district, where located: On Lookout mountain, adjoining the Emu and Kurrajong mineral claims. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for F. McIvor Melvor Campbell (as trustee), No. 3,176A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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

N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 3rd day of May, 1898. 5-12-108.

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IN OUTSIDE CAMPS

Force on the Second Relief Is to Be Increased.

DUMAS ORE RUNS HIGH

Pauper's Dream to Be Developed - R. E. Lee Group Bonded For \$100,000 - Crystalline Lime Found Near New Denver - Machinery for Mother Lode

That capital is flowing into the Kootenays is shown by the fact that in numerous instances prospects are being developed, and here and there the announcement is made that working forces are to be increased. The capital for this work comes from Canada, portions of the United States and Great Britain, and from all classes of men, who have faith in the mining properties of the section.

NELSON DIVISION.

Archibald McDonald and Harry Jackson will shortly commence work on the Ymir Bell, Wild Horse creek.

Thomas Kane, of the Second Relief mine, says that the Second Relief has 25 men working and the force will be increased to 60 or 75 men before the middle of the summer.

William and Ben Foot will commence work at once on their claim, the Toronto, situated close to the Nebraska Girl.

A. M. Bonilition of Seattle, Samuel L. Brisbois of Ymir, and J. M. O'Toole of Rossland, have a force of men at work on the Bruce, on Bear Creek. They have a fine ledge eight feet wide running through the entire claim.

E. Croteau, owner of the Dumas, situated on Wild Horse creek, will resume work on that claim in a few days. Over 110 feet of tunnel work has been done on this property and two and a half acres of solid ore has been struck which has assayed as high as \$70 in gold and silver to the ton.

One of the most promising properties in the Ymir district is the Bullion group consisting of the Bullion, Welside, Mohawk and Couch Hill mineral claims, situated about one mile west of Ymir, on Quartz creek, and owned by the All Gold Mining company, of Brantford, Ont.

A shaft has been run 10 feet on a lead and another shaft 25 feet on No. 4 Kootenays and they now have a 2 1/2 foot ledge of quartz that runs high in gold and copper. There are seven leads on the Bullion within 500 feet running northwest and southeast.

The ledge that the 100-foot shaft is on is 2 1/2 feet wide and the ore is of the same character as that of the Flossie R.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

The Whitewater Deep on the same vein as the Whitewater, but lower down, has evidences already of an 18-inch seam of the very best ore. The company is now preparing to drive a new 2,000-foot tunnel lower down than its present strike, which will be near the level of the country but sufficiently high for a reasonable depth.

Ed Ward, manager of the Hillside, informs the Kootenayan that he expects to cut the main lead, where ore is thought to be, on the Adams one of the group, this week. The tunnel is now 75 feet, and the indications are excellent.

The Pauper's Dream, a promising property near the Whitewater, is to be extensively developed this summer. An appeal has been taken in the Mollie Gibson contest case recently decided at Vancouver. It will go to the higher court of Great Britain, the full supreme court of the Province having passed upon it. The claims are considered as rich as the richest in the Slooan.

There is a large number of prospectors camped near Kuskanoek.

SLOOAN DIVISION.

The R. E. Lee group of five claims has been bonded by L. Alexander to an English company, for a figure in the neighborhood of \$100,000. Work on a 300-foot crosscut tunnel will commence in a few days.

The Chapeau will ship another car of ore to the Nelson smelter just as soon as it can be packed to the railroad. It is understood that the government is making inquiries about the probable cost of a wagon road to the Queen Bees mine.

The New Denver Ledge says an immense deposit of crystalline lime has been found on the High Tower across the lake from New Denver. There is no doubt but that from the formations there is plenty of lime stone in this country, but to find it in this form is much better news.

BOUNDARY CREEK COUNTRY.

There are over a dozen freight teams on the road from Marcus with machinery for the Mother Lode, Stemwinder, Brooklyn and Athelstan mines. Work is being steadily pushed on the O. K. and Lucky Boy properties in Seattle camp. The ore now on the dump is said to assay from \$80 to \$100 in gold.

110-foot level. The showing is very satisfactory, and 10 per cent of the bond has been paid. The mine will likely be equipped with machinery soon.

Machinery is being put on the Stemwinder. A contract has been let to James Funch to run tunnel of 800 feet to connect with the main shaft.

REVELSTOCK DIVISION.

A. W. McIntosh and other Keystone prospectors have been given \$500 by the commissioner to repair the Keystone mountain trail. The Waverley company has commenced the construction of a large corral at Albert Canyon. Most of their pack animals have been shipped there.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Colonel Topping's Views.

EDITOR MINER:- Sir: I am not an apologist for the Government and I do not believe that it was expedient to grant the enormous cash bonus to the Yukon railway, but I do believe in fair play and think that the Oppositionists, whose main objection appears to be against the grants made to the several Kootenay railroads, are not worth serious consideration.

To these railroads the government has granted large tracts of land of no value except for the mineral therein contained, and all minerals are reserved for the prospector. The only benefit that the railway companies can derive from such grants is the use of them as collateral to raise money with which to build their lines.

If these barren lands of West Kootenay will cause railroads to be built through our mountain passes and open up our mineral resources they are, to my view, well applied when donated to the railway companies. The railways that are now run to every camp of importance in this district would not have been built, and the greater part of West Kootenay would now be an uninhabited and undeveloped wilderness, if the railway policy of the government had been otherwise.

I thoroughly believe in the land grant to the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway, by which the Robson-Penticton branch will be built, and am convinced I am by no means alone in the belief that this road will be used as the main line of the C. P. R. within the next two years.

Now in regard to parties, I believe that if the names of Government and Opposition could be dropped in this election in West Kootenay that we could achieve a wonderful success. If our six members could be elected as independents or as a Kootenay party, they could choose the best from either side and sway legislation nearly as they choose.

Kootenay could be represented in the cabinet and would impress her forces upon the government. If we now pay one-third of the revenue collected and we shall increase that proportion. Why should we fritter away our power by party politics when in fact there is no party only "ins" and "outs"?

I sincerely hope for the good of the Kootenays and particularly the general advancement of the country contained in the Rosland electoral district that the voters of this division will give their unswerving and loyal support to their district's interests will count for more than mere allegiance to the old parties controlled by politicians who reside at the coast and who do not seem to be able to recognize the wants of the interior districts.

E. S. TOPPING.

OPPOSITION DELEGATES.

They Arrive From Grand Fork - A Demand for Good Properties. John A. Manly, ex-mayor of Grand Forks, arrived in the city Monday from Grand Forks. He says there has been considerable feeling in the Boundary country about the opposition convention on account of the people of that district not being consulted as to time and place of holding same, and Greenwood may send no delegates. Mr. Manly thought that this oversight should be overlooked, and was instrumental in having a meeting of electors in Grand Forks on Saturday night when it was decided to send five delegates and Messrs. Van Ness, M. Carter, Spurgeon, P. McCallum and J. Manly were selected.

In mining circles there is an increased activity and quite a demand for good properties. One of the latest deals is the purchase by Smith Curtis for his own account of the Brady property, 12 miles up the North Fork of Kettle river, adjoining the Pathfinder. Mr. Manly went with Mr. Curtis to look over the property and found it with recent development quite beyond the good things he had heard of it. There was a quartz vein fully 30 feet wide, and the ore was a concentrating one, of at least 10 to one. Mr. Biden of Chicago, an experienced mining man, who was on a visiting party, expressed the opinion that that was a remarkably fine property and a mine-maker. Mr. Manly selected samples from the five feet of quartz next to the hanging wall, within two feet of the surface, and had them mixed together and assayed. The result was \$68.50 to the ton, the gold being nearly three ounces and the silver 10 ounces. He was so certain that the property would pay from the start that he at once opened negotiations with Mr. Curtis and purchased one-third of the promoting shares in the company to be formed to operate the property. The company is to be called the Pay Ore (B. C.) Mines, Limited.

Mr. Manly thinks the company's name is a very suitable one, as there is pay ore from the surface down, and that the company ought to be able to pay a dividend within a year after development work begins. Other properties up the North Fork are being opened up with excellent results. A road of six feet of pyritic ore was on Friday uncovered on the surface of the Bonita claim, which lies within half a mile of the city. Several veins of quartz, identical in appearance with that of the Eureka camp, lie two miles north of the city, and assayed \$4 and \$3 have been got from them. When thoroughly prospected better values will likely be found.

MET A REGULAR FROST.

Trail is Evidently Strongly Opposed to the Oppositionists. The peculiar circumstances of the Opposition meeting with its object directly defeated for want of sympathy, was witnessed at Trail Saturday evening and the meeting adjourned, not only without the number of American employees would be brought to Canada as soon as the Wabash railway commenced running extra passenger trains over the Grand Trunk railway. He informed the authorities at Ottawa, and since then has received assurances from the company that Canadian trainmen will be employed.

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When Mr. McCutcheon closed, there were repeated calls for Colonel Topping but both Mr. McCutcheon and Mr. Hart-McHarg urged that it was necessary to catch the train, and the meeting was abruptly adjourned. It was anticipated that Mr. McCutcheon would introduce a resolution antagonistic to the government, but the lack of sympathy from the audience evidently made this unwise. Had he done so, a counter resolution to the effect that the citizens of Trail were not in sympathy with the Opposition party, would have been introduced, and would certainly have been carried.

A gentleman who attended the meeting stated today that the people of Trail are not disposed to rush pell-mell into the legislature to discover the position of being gagged by any section of the district. They propose that their votes shall count in the production of the best results for the business interests of the community. They want a representative in the legislature who will look after their immediate wants and they propose that their 250 votes of Trail and tributary camps shall not be wasted.

OPPOSITION CONVENTION.

Discussion Among the Delegates Causes It to Be a Failure.

The Oppositionists of the Rosland riding have postponed their much talked of convention, and the few delegates who were present from the Boundary Creek country have accomplished their purpose. The Boundary Creekers were an insignificant minority so far as numbers were concerned, but they can give their Rosland brethren cards and spades as politicians and best them.

The Boundary Creek delegation arrived here on the morning of Tuesday, and other Rosland delegates to the convention was a candidate for the nomination. They lost no time in deciding on a plan of campaign to govern during their stay here. They realized that the east side of the Ring was hopelessly divided and saw an excellent opportunity to arrange matters so that a west side man might in the end secure the nomination. They maintain that the Opposition vote in the Boundary Creek country is entirely not for consideration. We were evinced by the east side delegates.

When the convention met in secret on Tuesday night, the Boundary delegates soon had it arranged that the meeting should be postponed until June 8. Besides the postponement of the convention they suggested that the convention be held at Grand Forks, instead of Rosland, and offered to pay the hotel and transportation expenses of all the east side delegates if the proposal was accepted. But motion to this effect was discreetly withdrawn when it was seen that the Rosland men were ready to refuse the offer. It was finally arranged that Rosland shall be the place for holding the convention.

The Trail delegation held aloof from the discussion. They found themselves in the same boat as the Boundary delegates. Rosland had a majority in the convention and seemed to be determined to hold the fort for a Rosland man. It is therefore not surprising that Trail was ready to join issues with the west side men, and this, it seems, they have done, though no definite arrangement has been made between the two factions of the convention last night would have been entirely different but for two reasons, one of which is James Martin's timidity and his refusal to announce two weeks ago his willingness to accept a nomination for Rosland, and the other is the untimely death of Messrs. Angle and Clabon to obtain proxies for the convention from the electors of the Boundary country.

It is almost a certainty that Martin could have been nominated last night if he had been in the people of Boundary into his confidence before they selected their delegates. By this action Martin has lost the confidence of the people of the Boundary country, and they are determined to nominate a man whose name the latter are entitled to twelve votes in the convention and confidently rely on five votes from Trail, making a total of 17. This gives them within one of as many votes as Rosland could have provided the latter are voted solid to a man. The westsiders say that with the dissension that prevails among the Rosland delegates, they are certain of victory.

Several of the delegates came to the meeting and each gave his version of the affair. Among the number was the diplomatic chairman, J. A. Kirk, who smilingly intimated that the meeting was harmonious and satisfactory. There were, however, there appeared others who denounced in very forcible terms the secrecy of the meeting. They maintained that the cause they support has nothing to hide, and that the selfish ambitions of certain politicians in the Rosland riding seemed to count for more than the cause of good government.

Canada Alien Labor Law Enforced. WINDSOR, Ont., May 25.—The Canadian alien labor law has been enforced for the first time in this vicinity. Park Davis & Co. are building a wing to their Walkerville establishment and a number of American establishments were employed on the job. They came to Walkerville on Monday morning and went to their homes in Detroit after finishing their day's work. The Windsor and Walkerville masons employed on the job objected to the American workmen, and the manager of the firm and the contractor, who had secured the law, were being on the matter to the department of justice unless the Americans were discharged.

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