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MINES AND MINING

The Average of Evening Star Ore Is \$28 to the Ton.

MANAGEMENT PLEASD

Okanagan Free Gold Mines, Limited, Intend to Immediately Erect a 10-Stamp Mill and a Cyaniding Plant on Its Property.

The management of the Evening Star, which is being operated by the Fairmont Mining company, is much pleased with some assays from that property which were made yesterday in this city. J. L. Parker, on his last visit to the Evening Star, sampled the ore body for a distance of six feet from the hanging wall in the shaft at a depth of 53 feet. This ore went \$28 to the ton, the values being one ounce in gold and 14.2 ounces in silver. The shaft is eight feet wide and all in ore, and the two feet running towards the foot wall went \$41.80, or two ounces in gold and three ounces in silver to the ton. The width of the vein at this point is not known, but it is thought to be at least 25 feet, as the vein on the surface is that width. A horse whim is to be immediately installed, and the intention is to sink to the 150-foot level before cross-cutting will be commenced. The results of these assays, before their departure, will be made to the management, and an effort will be made to make a mine out of the Evening Star at the earliest possible moment.

Will Put Up a Stamp Mill.

Dr. Paul Langhammer, M. E., and S. Thornton Langley, returned from a visit to Spokane, whither they went in the interests of the Okanagan Free Gold Mines, limited. Their mission there was to sell the shares of the company. They reported that they placed some 350,000 shares in this city and report that they were equally successful in Spokane. Alred Edgecombe, M. E., recently reported favorably on the merits of the property and has materially assisted in the sale of the shares. The directors of the company, consisting of Hon. T. Mayne Daly, Ross Thompson, G. M. King, K. K. Peyer, and Dr. E. Richter of Spokane, will now that there is money enough in the treasury, meet in the next few days for the purpose of ordering the purchase of a 10-stamp mill, which will be installed on the property. They will also be a cyaniding plant, which will also be a plant on the property which averages about \$30 to the ton. Dr. Langhammer is making the plans for a concentrator to save the platinum which is reported to be worth \$300 per pound. This deposit of platinum is distinct and separate from the gold veins on the property. The property is located south of Camp McKinney.

Result of a Year's Work.

It was just a year ago Wednesday that work was resumed on the Deer Park under the management of Fred R. Mulholland. Since then development has been going on without interruption and not a shaft has been lost. At the year level a shaft was sunk from the 135-foot level to a depth of 310 feet, while a winze has been carried down 46 feet, and extensive drifting has been carried on at three levels. In the meantime a new seven-drill compressor plant has been installed, and preparations are being made for the development of the Deer Park on a thorough scale. Manager Mulholland is engaged now in getting the surface workings of the Deer Park in good shape for the winter, and everything is being made comfortable for the men.

The Wallingford Group.

The Le Roi stables were busy Wednesday commencing the packing of supplies to the Wallingford. Peterson, the contractor, has had three men improving the trail during the past week and it is in fine condition. Besides the food supplies, cook stove, powder, and tools, there are to be taken up 1,000 feet of scantling and tie for a tramway, 600 feet of iron rail, pipe, a Sibley air stove and an iron ore car. It will take two or three days to complete the packing. The contract is for 100 feet of tunnel, making a total of 240 feet, which the company expect to strike by the end of the 15th of January next. The work will be done with a night and a day shift.

Suspended Work for the Winter.

William Caldwell, the millionaire coal operator of Toronto, who has been developing the Atlantic Cable on O. K. mountain, near the Jumbo, has suspended work for the winter. As soon as the spring is possible, a machine plant, complete in every respect, will be installed on the property. The Atlantic Cable, which is owned by Mr. Caldwell, has been developed under individuality, and has been developed under the supervision of Kenneth McKaskill to a depth of 265 feet, and at that level a showing shows considerable quantities of a 30-pound piece of galena, is now in a large body of low grade mineral.

The Lardau-Goldsmith Mine.

The Lardau-Goldsmith Mine, which was recently shipped a test ton of ore to the Trail smelter, where it arrived on Saturday. This is from its Brunswick claim on Flat creek. A tunnel is being driven to tap the vein below the open cut where this ore is exposed and is now in 32 feet and the ore body is expected to be reached shortly. A lot of samples has just been received and one of them, a 30-pound piece of galena, is now in the miner's hand.

Ross Thompson has been granted a certificate of improvements on the Vernon, a small fraction adjoining the Evening and the California.

Forging Ahead.
The latest advices from the Salmo Consolidated are to the effect that work is steadily forging ahead, with the same gratifying results. While no time is being lost, the arrival of the hoisting plant will be welcomed, as development will then be greatly expedited in every way. The management congratulate themselves on the knowledge that the work as conducted will stand the strictest criticism of those interested. This winter's operations will place the property on the footing that is aimed at, when results will speak for themselves.

A Strike in the Commander.
Quite a strike was made in the Commander yesterday. It was made in the bottom of the shaft. The vein found consists of some nice looking hornblende and calcite, carrying about four per cent of copper, and it is thought, excellent gold values. An assay is being made, and it is the best looking ore that has yet been found in the property. It completely fills the bottom of the shaft, and the management is greatly pleased with it.

A Machine Will Begin Today.
The shaft of the Lily May is now free of water, and today a machine will be put to work deepening it. It is now down 180 feet. The intention is to sink to the 300-foot level and then to cross-cut for the ore bodies.

Work on the Pay Ore.
Work is in progress on the Pay Ore on the north fork of Kettle river, owned by the Pay Ore (B. C.) Mines, limited. The vein of rich quartz is being cross-cut at several points on the surface. Smith Curtis will visit the property this week and expects to let a contract for a tunnel before he returns. The company has ample funds to continue work.

MINING NOTES.

James Deane has sold to R. M. McQuarrie a quarter interest in the City of Glasgow.

Chief work on Bulldog mountain, owned by the Golden Gate company. The shaft is now down 20 feet, and shows considerable ore.

The British Columbia (Rosland and Sloo) Syndicate, limited, has secured certificates of improvements for the East Columbia Mountain fraction and the Banner Hill fraction on Columbia mountain.

The contract for running 100 feet of tunneling on the Joe Letter was completed last night. The tunnel is now in 116 feet. Drifting will now be done on the lead to the south to get under the surface showing, which assays \$21 in gold, copper and silver.

An assay made by Richard Marsh for General Charles S. Warren yesterday, on a large sample of ore from the lowest surface workings of the Novelty, showed gold values of \$21.20. Another sample gave lower gold values than the former assay but yielded silver values of \$2.80.

Excavation is proceeding for the new compressor building which is to be erected by the Iron Horse company. The site is at the head of Washington street, just below the Columbia & Western tracks. The site is an admirable one for securing the delivery of fuel on the most economical basis.

The Nero, the Zero and the Pedro are three placer mining locations on Little Sheep creek, just below the O. K. mill, which have just been recoded by C. W. Cluett, P. A. Silverstone and E. Tangle, under the name of the Zero Mining company. There is considerable fine gold in the stream at that point, and the gold in the stream has been worked intermittently for some time. The location just recorded is the first partnership placer location that has been registered around Rosland for the past 18 months.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The meeting of the Shakespearean society this week will be held on Saturday night at the office of Dr. Kerr. Samuel Parrish has bought from John Dean the lot owned by the latter adjoining the Bellevue. The price paid was something less than \$2,000.

Attention is called to the advertisement of J. B. Johnson that he has been appointed the sole Rosland agent for the Greenwood Townsite company. This town has a promising future.

Eastern dispatches say that the important task of valuing the British Columbia sealing fleet, the manager at Troro, to Martin Dickie, the manager at Troro, N. S., of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax. For private reasons Mr. Dickie was unable to accept the post. Mr. Dickie is well and favorably known in Rosland, both personally and officially.

The work of preparing for the Columbia & Western railway's new standard gauge station on Second avenue near Washington street is going ahead rapidly. A force of 55 men is engaged in blasting out the bluff on which the station and sidetracks will stand. Yesterday the surveyors were at work laying out the site for the new station, which will be located on Second avenue a little nearer Lincoln than Washington street.

Searching for Maria Teresa.
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Nov. 9.—The United States repair ship Vulcan went out to sea this afternoon in search of the lost Spanish cruiser Maria Teresa, which is believed to be ashore somewhere in the vicinity of Cat Island.

THE VELVET IN ORE IN OUTSIDE CAMPS

Getting Good Book in the South A Wagon Road Up Wild Horse Creek From Ymir.

DIKE IS PASSED THROUGH GOLD FIND NEAR STEELE

The North Drift Shows a Foot of Shipping Ore—The New Tunnel Is Well Under Way—Twenty Five Men at Work.

"We are getting some very pretty ore in the south drift at the 160-foot level in the Velvet," said John Morzine, the superintendent of the property, who is in the city from Sophie mountain. "The drift was started a month ago and has been run for about 30 feet. The dike met in the shaft has been partly overcome, and the face of the drift shows eight inches of clean ore. The north drift at the 160-foot level is going steadily ahead. It will soon be in line with the winze, which will connect with the 100-foot level. The north drift shows about a foot of good ore, while the full face of the workings is in mineral.

"We have started the new tunnel which will connect with the shaft at the latter has reached a depth of 330 feet and the crosscut there is as yet nothing new in the way of a showing. "Twenty-five men are now at work on the property."

LORD SALISBURY'S SPEECH

His Utterances at the Lord Mayor's Banquet.

There Had Been War Preparations, But There Was No Every Prospect of a Lasting Peace.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The annual banquet of the lord mayor of London took place at Guild Hall this evening. There were about 800 guests present, including members of the diplomatic corps, cabinet ministers and other distinguished persons, and the evening was a most successful one.

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situated on the west side of Boulder creek, about six miles in a direct line from Fort Steele; a trail has been completed to the mine. As K. J. Highby in doing the assessment work on the Big Chief, was working on a small three-foot lead that extended to the mountain for a distance of 600 feet, his attention was attracted to a quantity of float at a point some 300 feet from where he was working; investigation showed that the float carried considerable gold, and a careful search revealed the fact that there was another vein of gold quartz running through the property. The ledge varies from six to 12 feet in width, with a pay streak of rich ore on both walls. Recent assays show gold in generous quantities. Assay No. 1, made by Stewart & Keep at Fort Steele, gave a return of \$2,531.87 in gold, silver \$30, and a total assay value of \$2,561.87. Assay No. 2, made by Wallinger & Nelson, gave a total value of \$800 in gold. Assay No. 3, made by C. B. Dan Osell of Spokane, gave a return of 622.05 ounces in gold, valued at \$12,857; 20 ounces in silver, valued at \$12,857. Total values, \$12,869.12. Big Chief, Golden Coin and Ames, and was located by Messrs. Highby, Van Arsdale and Amme, who bonded the property to Johnson and Robertson of Fort Steele, who rebonded to E. C. Egan. Work was commenced by Mr. Egan at once with a force of seven men.

THE STOCK MARKET

War Eagles Experienced a Rise During the Week.

There Was a Slump in Virginia-Deer Parks Are Recovering—Iron Masks Are Firm—Fairmonts Have Been Advanced From 6 to 10 Cents.

The business in the stock market was fair during the past week. The deal most discussed was the sale of 100,000 shares of War Eagle by the War Eagle Virginia; these were sold at 10 cents. There was a slump in Virginia-Deer Parks are recovering—Iron Masks are firm—Fairmonts have been advanced from 6 to 10 cents.

Monte Christos were dealt in largely and sold at from 9 to 10 cents. It was stated some time since that the property of the Monte Christo company was shut down pending an examination by experts in order to determine what the future plans of the company might be. Those who have invested their money in an official statement should be made as to what the plans of the company are as to the future. It seems to be nothing more than common justice that this request should be made in considerable demand during the week, and sold as low as 36 cents. They rallied again and were firm yesterday in the vicinity of 40 cents. The bear movement against the stock is evidently at an end.

Commanders are firm at 11 cents, and a strike made yesterday proves as important as the management considers it these shares should experience an advance. Iron Horses are firm at 17 @ 18 cents. Deer Parks have partially recovered from their temporary sag and are now on the up grade. They are firm at 18 to 19 cents. There is considerable demand for them and not a few sales. There is some inquiry for Grand prizes and they are selling at 3 1/2 to 4 cents. Giants are selling at 6 1/2 @ 7 cents. Novelties are moving under the influence of the strike made at that property early this week and are selling at from 4 1/2 to 5 cents.

There is a prospect of a resumption of work on the Iron Horse company's property, and as soon as a meeting of the directors can be arranged for there will be a resumption of work on the property. It is recommended that the price of Iron Colts, which are now selling for 9 cents. Iron Masks are firm at 65 @ 66 cents. These shares are firmly held and as there are not many on the market it would not be an easy matter to obtain a very large block at these figures. Silver Bells are moving a little at 2 cents. White Bears are in demand at 8 1/2 to 7 1/2 cents. Brandon and Golden Crowns are in demand at 25 cents. Old Ironsides, the shares of a company operating an immensely large property in the Boundary country, are selling at 65 cents. Sixty cents per share are asked for Knob Hill and 50 cents is bid. There is considerable demand for these shares because of the fact that the Knob Hill company has a property in the Boundary country containing a ledge of ore that is very wide. Cariboo (Camp McKinney) are favorites, and are selling from \$1.07 to \$1.12. There has been considerable speculation in the past week in the boundary country, the banner mine of the Boundary reports continue to come from the property of the Salmo Consolidated company.

There was considerable inquiry and not a few sales of Fairmonts. There is a bid of \$28 ord. in the shaft. The shaft is to be continued to the 150-foot level, and a crosscut is to be made at the 50- and 150-foot level. The vein on the surface is 26 feet wide. The surface has been advanced from 8 to 10 cents. Monarchs are selling for 7 cents. The work of developing the property of the company is making good progress. There was considerable local inquiry for the Sarah Lee shares during the week, and a few blocks were disposed of at 7 1/2 cents. There was a large sale of the treasury shares of the Okanagan Free Gold Mines limited. In Rosland and Spokane 700,000 were disposed of during the week. Republic shares moved freely. Jim Blaines at 80 cents and Princess Mauds at 20 cents were the liveliest. The price of Republics, the banner mine of the Reservation, have been fixed at \$4.

COLONEL SCOTT'S SHARES.
Unless the unexpected happens, they will be sold today. The sale of the stock owned by Robert Scott to satisfy the judgment obtained against him by A. B. Clabon will take place this morning at 11 o'clock in front of the registry of the supreme court on South Lincoln street. Yesterday Judge Spinks granted the customary order stopping the sale on the condition that security for the amount of the judgment and costs be deposited by the defendant, Mr. Scott, with the registrar of the court. Up to the present time Mr. Scott has not given the security, and this morning at 11 o'clock Sheriff Robinson will in all probability offer the stock for sale in accordance with the writ of execution secured by the plaintiff, Clabon. The selection of scrip which has been seized by Sheriff Robinson is as follows: 48,000 shares of Red Mountain Ida May, and 20,000 shares of Kenneth.

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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Table with 2 columns: Ore Name, Amount. Includes Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Footprint, Iron Mask, etc.

The ore shipments for the seven days from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5, inclusive, were as follows: War Eagle, 800 tons; Le Roi, 500 tons.

Shipments were divided as follows: Trail, 700; Silica, 100; Northport, 300. The total shipment from the camp since Jan. 1, 1897, aggregate 176,533 tons.

THE NEXT LEGISLATURE.

According to Victoria dispatches the legislative assembly will meet within the next 60 days. The opening of the session is awaited with more than ordinary interest. The circumstances attending the disuse of the Turner government and the formation of the Semlin cabinet makes the length of session a matter of great uncertainty.

It is not unlikely that another factor will be an important part in deciding the lines of the new legislature. While Dominion party lines have not been recognized in Provincial politics, it is generally admitted that the time has arrived for their adoption. The Conservatives are particularly active just now. They are perfecting an elaborate system of organization in every electoral district and it would not be surprising if they attempted to capture the legislature before another appeal is made to the country.

A SOUND INVESTMENT.

The largest sale of Rossland stock yet made for investment was consummated at Toronto a few days since, when Oler & Hammond, the well known brokerage firm, paid \$270,000 for 100,000 shares of War Eagle stock. There have been larger sales of shares than these, but this was only when the purchasers were buying to secure the control of properties.

what investors in mining shares call "velvet."

As large as the transaction is that Messrs. Oler & Hammond have just closed, it will, when some of the other mining properties of the camp have reached a higher stage of development, be as nothing to those which THE MINER expects then to be able to chronicle. In a camp in which two companies, the War Eagle and the B. A. C., have invested \$10,000,000 in mining properties, the future should be full of sales of larger magnitude than the mere investment of \$270,000 by a rich brokerage firm.

Still, the Oler & Hammond transaction at this time is important. The firm is the largest and most successful brokerage combination in Canada and is considered to be about the shrewdest, too, from a business standpoint. It looks into the merits of an investment very carefully before it makes one. It is consulted by the wisest financiers in the Dominion, and has the opportunity to "get in on the ground floor" of some of the best things that are in progress or formation. Hence it is that the very fact that this firm put so large a sum of money into the share of a Rossland mine reveals the high standing that our mines have attained with the better class of financiers.

EXPENDITURES ON PUBLIC WORKS.

It is said that the Provincial government has appropriated a sufficient sum of money to secure the immediate opening of a road from White Pass to Atlin, the scene of the recent placer gold discoveries in the northern part of the Province. The large sum of \$10,000 is to be expended to make simply a winter road and keep it open until next spring. If the Government would only consult James Martin, M. P. P. for Rossland riding, it would doubtless learn that less than one-half of \$10,000 is all that is needed to build a wagon road from Rossland to the Columbia & Western trail, which leads into the Burnt Basin, Christina lake and the Kettle River valley districts, and which, if it were built, would save to Canada hundreds of thousands of dollars that now go to the United States because at present the only available approach to the districts referred to is from the south side of the international boundary.

If the Government has money to spend on the construction of wagon roads to diggings in the remote wilds of Cassiar that have yet to be proved really worth the outlay, it should also be prepared to listen to the consistent and modest demands of a district, which, by virtue of its quartz mining industry, yields more than one-eighth of the total revenue of the Province.

EASTERN CAPITAL FOR MINING.

A Western exchange, devoted to the mining industry, recently wrote to one of the most prominent mining promoters of the East, requesting him to give facts as to the pulse of the Eastern money market for mining investments. The reply was made, and is to the effect that there is plenty of capital in the Eastern financial centers for legitimate, honest mining propositions, but none at all for "hurrh" deals and wildcat schemes.

The elements necessary to the successful handling of a mining enterprise are a good property that will stand careful investigation; the price must be such as to tempt, and there must be ample time given for inspection and examination of the property. However easy it might have once been to dispose of prospects for fabulous sums, that day has gone, and it can not be done now. Eastern investors are more enlightened every day on mining matters, and while they are willing to invest, they are not going to invest without they are getting a good thing for their money, and that, too, after they have had plenty of time to investigate the matter thoroughly.

The business of enlisting Eastern capital in mining enterprises is a legitimate business, a perfectly honorable business, and a most necessary one to enable the prospector to dispose of his prospects. But it must be conducted honestly and honorably, to be successful, and, truth to say, it is being so conducted today more than ever before.

The most serious obstacle to the successful handling and sale of mining properties today is the prospector and mine owner. They frequently have no fair conception of values, and are generally in too much of a hurry, and won't give either the broker or the buyer time to investigate. The result is that many a good looking prospect lies undeveloped from year to year, and many a good camp is held back until it gets a bad name, and it finally becomes almost im-

possible to get any one to even look into its merits.

To sum it all up, prospectors and promoters must not expect to sell a worthless prospect at all. They must carry on a strictly legitimate business, give ample time for investigations, make prices commensurate with values, be satisfied with a legitimate profit, and under such circumstances plenty of money will be forthcoming for mining enterprises.

A CITY HALL.

In the press of other business the matter of the construction of a suitable city hall has been lost sight of. It will be remembered that during the Scott regime lots were virtually purchased and plans for a city hall were prepared to suit the proposed site. Then the matter went into innocuous desuetude and the idea of a city hall seems to have been forgotten. It is never too late, however, to renew a good idea and it seems that it would be one of the very best investments the city could make would be to erect a suitable and substantial city hall. A city that is so prosperous and so populous as Rossland should have a municipal home in keeping with its standing. It is false economy for the city to rent instead of owning its own quarters, as the money spent in a few years for rent will be sufficient to erect a strong and commodious building. From the simple standpoint of civic pride such a building should be erected. In order to encourage the erection of similar structures by the citizens, the building should be as near fireproof as possible. With that end in view the building should be of brick and stone and provided with fireproof vaults in which the archives of the city could be kept. The building could be constructed on such a scale that the police, the first department, the mayor, city council and various municipal officers could have quarters therein. It need not be a very expensive structure, but at the same time should be so handsome from an architectural standpoint that our citizens could point it out to strangers, and at the same time be not ashamed to say: "That is our city hall." Let the necessary steps be taken that will lead as early as possible to the construction of a suitable city hall.

MINING LAW AMENDMENTS.

It has been stated that some important amendments to the Mineral Act are likely to be considered at the forthcoming session of the legislature. One of these proposed changes, it is alleged, will provide that all mineral claims, the locators of which fail to comply with the regulations in regard to assessment work, or otherwise, will revert back to the crown, and, after being advertised for a certain length of time, will be sold at public auction.

It does not seem that such a law would be a benefit to the mining community. All mineral claims on which locators fail to do what the law requires revert back to the crown. This is as it should be. But there should be no sale of the property to the highest bidder, because such a course would invariably operate only in favor of those possessed of considerable money. It is to be feared if such a law were placed on the statute books that companies and strong syndicates would be given a distinct and unjust advantage over the equally, if not more, enterprising, though poorer individual. Such a law would have the effect, too, of checking individual effort, which is such a valuable factor in the development of a mining country.

This law is contemplated, perhaps, because prospectors here and there induce friends to re-locate a claim on which they are enabled to do assessment work. Perhaps a claim or two may represent a year or more of search and while it is a legal wrong to re-locate a prospect under such circumstances the prospector is more often the loser by reason of the transparent fraud he has committed, because the next year he may do the assessment work and merely have his labor for his pains, as it is not one in two hundred prospects that is one of any real value. Out of the work that is put in on prospects two hundred men who do the assessment find that their energies have been misdirected and one, perhaps, finds that he has a valuable property. Surely in a business that is so unproductive the government should make some allowance and not circumscribe the efforts of the prospectors to such an extent that he will become discouraged and turn to some other occupation. The prospector is very necessary in British Columbia. He should be encouraged by a liberal and simplifying code, but it cannot be consistently said that the proposed amendment will operate to that end. By all means afford the man of small means a liberal opportunity to secure for himself a small portion of the public domain. The capitalist can take care of himself.

THE SILVER-LEAD INDUSTRY.

In spite of the depreciation of the price of silver, the long haul to the U. S. smelter, and the high U. S. import tariff on ores containing lead, the greatest dividend paying mine in British Columbia is the Payne, a galena proposition in the Slokan.

For nearly two years past the Payne mine has shipped an average of 68 tons of its valuable ore daily. After deduct-

ing freight, duty and smelter charges, this nets the owners over \$80 per ton, or \$4,640 per day. There are now about 125 men employed at the mine, and it is a liberal average to allow \$4 each per day for total expenses, or \$500 for the entire force. Thus it is seen that the mine is paying a profit of \$4,140 daily, including holidays and Sundays. As the output is well known by many to be running from 1,800 to 1,800 tons, month in and month out, the above figures are none too high. Taking the daily net income as a basis, the mine yields a profit of nearly \$125,000 monthly, or \$1,250,000 annually.

Statements published at the beginning of this year were to the effect that thus far the Payne had paid \$1,800,000 in dividends. If this is correct—and there is no reason to doubt it—with this year's profits already earned, the mine has paid the comfortable sum of over \$3,000,000. The silver-lead mines of Kootenay are worthy of the attention of Eastern and English investors. There are immense fortunes to be made in this class of mining in Kootenay, for the reasons that the ore is invariably of an exceptionally high grade and the ground is easy to work. The prospects of the silver-lead industry have improved greatly of late. The price of silver has risen above 60 cents and it is not unlikely that it will go higher, while there is no reason to suppose that it will fall. There is no longer any question as to the local supply of cheap fuel, and there will soon be several large lead smelters ready for operation in the district. Everything now favors the economical local smelting of silver-lead ores, except the United States import duty on lead bullion, and the chances are that this will be satisfactorily arranged before the sitting of the international commission at Washington comes to an end.

ROSSLAND'S NEEDS.

THE MINER respectfully suggests that when the Rossland board of trade awakes from its present condition of apathy it might, as a starter, devote its attention to the appended list of public needs directly affecting the welfare of this city, and thus serve the purpose for which it was organized:

Increased representation for the Kootenays in the Dominion parliament. Increased representation for the Kootenays in the Provincial legislature. A Federal building for the accommodation of Rossland officials of the postal, customs and internal revenue departments.

The erection of a suitable building for the accommodation of the supreme court while in session in Rossland.

A regulation providing for the permanent residence of a supreme court judge in Rossland.

A wagon road over the Murphy Creek trail to connect with the Columbia & Western toad road.

A railway through the southern portion of the Nelson division from Trail to Kootenay Landing.

An early morning train service from Rossland over the C. P. R. to Kootenay lake, the Slokan and up-river points.

The construction of an adequate city sewage system.

The erection of a city hall.

The promotion of a first-class Rossland theater.

The extension of the city's street lighting system.

These improvements are worth striving for, and it is the duty of the board of trade to do all in its power to have them brought into existence.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

GREAT BRITAIN seems to be the only power that is really prepared for war.

SANDON is now known as the Silver City, a name that is fully justified by the extraordinarily rich argentiferous deposits in the neighborhood.

It is said that since the Spokane Falls & Northern inaugurated the system of hauling freight on passenger trains, the Spokane train seldom arrives in Rossland on schedule time. This is both annoying and inconvenient to the patrons of the road and those depending upon the arrival of the train.

HON. JOSEPH MARTIN is satisfied that silver-lead and lead products will be taken into consideration in a reciprocity treaty, if one is entered into between Canada and the United States. If Mr. Martin succeeds in arranging a more favorable U. S. tariff on Canadian lead products he will have earned the gratitude of the people of Kootenay.

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THE relentless Mail-Empire has the following to say concerning its old friend J. Israel Tarte: When Uncle Sam stopped the tall-talking business Tarte promptly jumped to the front, or rather to the rear, and seized the caudal appendage of the British lion. There is one good point in favor of Uncle Sam that does not apply in the case of Mr. Tarte. Uncle Sam did not twist the tail with one hand and receive a British salary with the other.

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Mining properties bought and sold. We have buyers for the Standard Mining Stocks of Kootenay. Confidential reports furnished on application by a competent engineer.

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CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED.

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Carnes Creek Gold Mining Company (LIMITED.)

Capitalization, \$1,000,000. Treasury Stock, 600,000 Shares. The Le Roi of the Big Bend.

Assays from the upper tunnel give values in gold alone of \$144, \$224 and \$244 per ton.

The company has seven claims on Carnes Creek, Big Bend, and over \$6,000 has been spent in development. This is bound to be a dividend-payer.

Treasury Stock at 10 cents can be obtained.

RICHARD PLEWMAN, Rossland.

P. S. The promoters' stock is all pooled.

Rolt & Grogan Rossland Mining Stocks

THE STOCK MARKET.

Corrected by Messrs. Rolt & Grogan, 35 Bas Columbia Avenue, Telephone 45. P. O. Box 425. Cable address: "Rolt & Grogan," Rossland.

Numerous inquiries for War Eagle, Cariboo and Knob Hill were the features of yesterday's market. We had 8 cents bid for Monte Christo and 39 cents for Virginia. The Eureka District Gold Mining company, owning several properties near the San Poil and Ben Hur, are putting a block of treasury stock on the market at 30 cents. This company owns several very valuable properties, all excellently situated, and should be a good buy at the price.

The Mountain Lion company have raised the price of their treasury stock to 85 cents. We have a small block left at 80 cents.

QUOTATIONS ROSSLAND STOCKS.

Table listing various mining stocks and their prices, including Cariboo (C.P.M.), Cariboo Creek, Canada G. Fields, etc.

EUREKA STOCKS.

Table listing Eureka stocks and their prices, including Black Tail, Eureka Queen, Golden Harvest, etc.

ROTT & GROGAN, Stock Brokers.

Rossland, B. C. Agents for the Cranbrook Townsite Company.

plebiscite are said to show a majority of 13,884 in favor of prohibition. The net results in the provinces are: For prohibition—Ontario, 39,224; Nova Scotia, 29,216; New Brunswick, 15,335; Prince Edward Island, 8,312; Manitoba, 9,412; British Columbia, 983; Northwest Territories, 3,414. Total, 107,899. Against prohibition—Quebec, 94,015. Fifty-six per cent of the registered vote was unpolled.

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THE Vancouver News-Advertiser, the organ of the Provincial minister of finance, referring to the approaching session of the legislature, says: "We have no doubt that a working agreement will be reached at the end of the session and in the country, when the legislative opens."

IN SPITE of the fact that Cecil Rhodes failed in his attempt to gain control of the Cape legislature at the last election, Imperialism does not appear to have suffered in South Africa. Premier Schreiner has introduced a bill to authorize the payment every year to the Imperial government of the sum of £30,000, to be applied solely for the purpose of national defense.

THE Rossland correspondent of the Canadian Mining Review persists in referring to the operation of the "Mackay-Hosmer syndicate" in the camp. There is no Mackay-Hosmer syndicate operating here. The Mackay referred to is evidently J. W. Mackay, the bonanza mine and telegraph owner. He has no financial interest in Rossland except, probably, a block of War Eagle shares.

THE official returns of the prohibition

A LARGE STOCK

100,000 War Eagles per Share

DEAL INVOLVED

The Directors Decided the Stock in Order of Indebtedness Confronting the Property.

The biggest deal in that has ever been put together in Toronto a few days since, when Oler & Hammond, the well known brokerage firm, bought 100,000 shares of War Eagle stock. The deal is higher, and in the interim the stock was a part of the capital of the War Eagle sale was made direct. The total issued Eagle now amounts to and there is still 250,000 in the treasury.

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ROBBINS & Co.

ROBBINS & Co. have a large stock of mining stocks for sale. They are particularly interested in War Eagle and Cariboo stocks. They have a large number of shares available and are willing to sell at a discount. They are also interested in the development of the Rossland mine and are looking for investors.

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CHILLED KIDNEYS.

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REFUSE TO WORK-FOREIGN MATTERS COLLECT AND DISEASE FOLLOWS-SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE BELIEVES IN SIX HOURS.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WAR EAGLE COMPANY.

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A LARGE STOCK DEAL

100,000 War Eagles Sold for \$2.70 per Share.

DEAL INVOLVED \$270,000

The Directors Decided to Dispose of the Stock in Order to Pay Off the Indebtedness Contracted in Developing the Property.

The biggest deal in Rossland stock that has ever been put through was completed in Toronto a few days ago, when Oeler & Hammond, brokers of Toronto, bought 100,000 shares of War Eagle at \$2.70 net.

The directors decided on selling the stock in order to settle the indebtedness contracted by the company in developing the property. Money was needed by the company the president, George Gooderham, would not consent to sell any of the remaining stock as a means of realizing the needed capital.

As a result, the War Eagle company is now out of debt, and is paying dividends at the monthly rate of a cent and a half per share.

The total dividends paid by the War Eagle Consolidated Mining & Development company amounts to \$125,250. The first disbursement was made in June, and at the rate of a cent and a half per share on the issued capital of 1,650,000 shares, it amounted to \$25,125.

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GOLDEN HARVEST CLAIMS.

The Ore Runs From \$8 to \$64 to the Ton.

REPUBLIC, Wash., Nov. 6.—[Special.]—The Golden Harvest company, located four and a half miles south of town, own four claims and five fractions. The ledge is uncovered for a distance of two claims by surface cuts and crosscut tunnels.

The present tunnel driven on the ledge from the south end into the ledge for the purpose of tapping the rich ore chute found in the south drift of the shaft.

A tunnel is being run on the Little Butte claim, lying a short distance east of the Knob Hill. Rapid work is being done on the Little Butte tunnel.

Work will be commenced Monday on the Trilby claim, west of the Boile and San Poli. A shaft will be sunk to the Knob Hill drift from the tunnel is now being driven.

On the Mountain Lion considerable activity prevails at the mouth of the tunnel. A retaining wall is being built, and the work of excavating for foundations is in progress.

Arrangements have been completed to erect all the necessary buildings required for the Ben Hur mine, including blacksmith shop, etc., and work will be pushed with energy hereafter.

The Golden Harvest tunnel is in 235 feet. It is estimated that the ledge will be cut in about 50 feet more, and will give a depth of from 125 to 150 feet. They are making fair progress.

REPUBLIC, Wash., Nov. 7.—The signs and returns from Sheridan camp favor the belief that the Rossland shareholders (and they own the Republic mine there) will have a second dividend from Sheridan today.

Mr. Snyder is also in charge of the development of several properties belonging to the same Rossland parties, viz.: the Spokane, the Rebecca, and the one in a promising three-foot vein. A yet the work on the other claims is in development.

Ben Hur tunnel is looking well, with five feet of quartz in the face. The Eureka Queen has driven 200 feet south, and are now driving north toward the San Foll, going south and paralleling the Lone Hand, south to be developed by a 40-foot shaft as a test. The surface ledge is about 20 feet wide, and the assays averages the usual surface values of the camp.

PROPOSED WAGON ROAD WITH KINGLY POMP

Residents of Gladstone and Vicinity Favor It.

They Are Willing to Assist in Its Construction—A Labor Saving Steam Scraper.

GLADSTONE, B. C., Nov. 5.—The proposition to build a wagon road from Rossland to connect at Gladstone with the C. & W. tote road which has been so warmly advocated by THE MINER is looked upon with much favor here.

McLean Bros. are getting their 14-drill air compressor plant ready for the road, and 3,000-foot tunnel near Brooklyn, and here for service on their two and three-quarter-mile contract near Gladstone.

On this contract they already have a force of 300 men at work. This is one of the heaviest pieces of work on the road, the hills being as deep as 185 feet and many of the cuts 60 feet and upwards.

It is certain that the Clerks Will Accomplish Their Object.

A committee from the union including Hans Haerel, E. J. Nicholson and W. H. B. Anderson spent part of yesterday afternoon in seeing the business men, and received the approval of 40 of the leading merchants to the project.

A WOMAN HELD UP. Mrs. Will A. Lynch Believed of \$300 By a Thief.

Mrs. Will A. Lynch, who resides on First avenue, just east of the new Presbyterian church, reported to the police department Sunday night that she had been held up by a lone highwayman and robbed of \$300 which she carried in her bosom.

There is Room There for Pack Teams and Teams.

J. L. Parker of the firm of Dabney & Parker, returned Monday from a visit to Ymir. There is a great deal of activity here, in the mining section around Ymir, and large quantities of machinery and supplies are being transported.

New Line Almost Completed. The new line to connect the West Kootenay Power & Light company's station at Rossland with the generating works at Bonington Falls is complete, except for about five miles outside Bonington. The remaining sections will be finished in a fortnight.

Rossland Mining Market

DICKINSON & ORDE, P. O. Box, 631. Telephone 61. 46 Columbia Ave., Rossland, B. C.

THE WEEK'S REPORT. The market has been on a broad basis; many shares have been selling, the principal of which have been Novelty, Salmo Con., Abe Lincoln, Monte Christo, Giant, Brandon & Golden Crown, Jumbo, Old Ironsides, Athabasca and Virginia.

Our Market Quotations, Corrected Weekly. Alberta..... 45 Evening Star..... 6 1/2 Jumbo..... 30 Athabasca..... 43 Gertrude..... 7 Novelty..... 45 1/2 Ben Hur..... 11 1/2 Good Hope..... 2 1/2 Monte Christo..... 34 Big Three..... 11 1/2 Home Stake..... 6 Salmo Con..... 24 Brandon & Golden Crown..... 8 Iron Coal..... 17 1/2 Victoria-Triumph..... 8 1/2 Canadian G. F. Synd..... 11 Iron Horse..... 17 1/2 Virginia..... 7 1/2 Cariboo (Camp M.C.K.)..... 11 1/2 Iron Mask..... 7 1/2 White Bear..... 8 1/2 Commander..... 19 Iron Mask..... 7 1/2 Jim Blaine..... 7 1/2 Deer Park..... 25

WANTED. Abe Lincoln (No. 1), Athabasca, Knob Hill, Old Ironsides and Cariboo (Camp McKinney). Also 40 shares Le Roi.

THE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Information Furnished on Application by M. E. DEMPSTER & CO., 43 East Columbia Avenue, Rossland, B. C.

Correspondence Solicited. Stocks Wanted. WE BUY STOCKS.

A SPLENDID GAMBLE. We are in the position to offer our clients what we consider a splendid gamble in Republic stock this week.

Richard Plewman

Richard Plewman, Rossland. Mining Broker. STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Table of stock quotations including items like Abe Lincoln, Athabasca, Ben Hur, etc., with prices and quantities.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

It Will Be Celebrated on Thursday, November 24.

Canada will celebrate Thanksgiving this year on Thursday, November 24, which is two weeks from tomorrow.

CHRISTINA LAKE

AND THE Boundary Country

Close Connections with the Spokane Falls & Northern Ry.

BELL & DUNCAN'S FAST STAGE LINE BETWEEN BOSSBURG

And All Points in the Boundary Country

Bell & Duncan BOSSBURG, WASHINGTON

Vertical text on the far left edge, including 'Rates', 'Company', 'Shares', 'MAN, Rossland', 'Stocks', 'Standard Stocks', 'Camp', 'Lions with US', 'Jackson Co.', 'Kidneys'.

INGRATITUDE AS A COVER FOR LACK OF ENTERPRISE.

The Nelson Miner of Wednesday morning indulges in over a column of abuse of this paper because it lacked sufficient enterprise to secure the dispatches of that morning. It makes a poor, weak and foolish attempt to instruct this paper as to the ethics of the newspaper business when it had nobody but itself to blame for not having a full report of telegraphic news on Wednesday morning.

When the wires of the Canadian Pacific Telegraph company are down so that the Associated Press dispatches cannot come via its lines it has been the custom of this paper to send to Spokane for the report, in order to not disappoint its readers. In the two years of its existence as a daily this paper has paid out in this way over \$1,000 to the Spokane Falls & Northern Telegraph company. The C. P. R. Telegraph company collected its full tolls for a full Associated Press report no matter how many times during the month the wires were down. This made it necessary for THE ROSSLAND MINER to pay double tolls on the nights when the C. P. R. wires were prostrate.

The Spokane Falls & Northern Telegraph company has a line that runs from Spokane to Nelson and also from Spokane to Rossland. It operates its lines for the purpose of making a profit on them. It is willing to deliver the report of the Associated Press to the ROSSLAND MINER, but it absolutely refuses to give the report to the ROSSLAND MINER so that it may turn it over to the Canadian Pacific Telegraph company to be delivered to the Nelson Miner.

Simply because it has wires running into Nelson, and if there is any delivery in that city of the report of the Associated Press when the C. P. R. wires are down it can do the work in an expedition and satisfactory manner. The Nelson Miner can do exactly as the ROSSLAND MINER has done in order to secure the report the next time the C. P. R. wires are down. It can go to the Spokane Falls & Northern Telegraph office in Nelson and make arrangements for paying for the report, satisfactory to the local agent there, and it will receive it from Spokane. The ROSSLAND MINER Printing & Publishing company has no section in its articles of incorporation that empowers it to pay in advance for news for a paper published in another city.

As a matter of fact we did endeavor to obtain the news for the Nelson Miner when the C. P. R. wires were down on the occasion referred to above. We asked the Spokane Falls & Northern Telegraph company to furnish a carbon copy for our esteemed Nelson contemporary. The reply was that it had no carbon paper with which to make a duplicate copy. We sent out and purchased carbon paper for the accommodation of the Nelson Miner and sent it to the operator in the Spokane Falls & Northern Telegraph office. Then it was that the manager of the office said that no second copy could be made and that the report could not be furnished to the Nelson Miner. If that paper wanted the report it could get it over the wires of the Spokane Falls & Northern Telegraph company. For the active and honest efforts of this paper to get the report for the Nelson paper it receives in return over a column of abuse. It merely shows the ingratitude of some people.

THE NORTH BELT. The miners of the camp are just beginning to understand the peculiarities of the mineral zone from which the values are being extracted. This knowledge is the child of experience and close observation on the part of those who are engaged in mining and who, by reason of their occupation, keep closer in touch with the varied mining problems before them than others. It is the product of men who observe by day and take their observation home with them and ponder over and bring out deductions from them. One of the most notable of these practical mining men declared the other day that if he were given money enough, he could follow the ore vein in the Le Roi without losing it from that mine to the Columbia river. There would be, he says, a number of faults encountered, in going this distance, but he is morally certain that the zone extends over the distance named. If the individual who makes this assertion were a braggart or a romancer, or a man given to making idle and vain-glorious assertions, his statement would have no value, but he is a cool, quiet man, who is noted for his modesty, his excellent judgment and his conservative views.

If these deductions are true, and they are easily within the range of probabilities, then the mineralized zone, which is now known as the north belt, is much more extensive than it has hitherto been

presumed to be. It is now known that it extends a distance of about two miles, but if the zone continues to the Columbia river, considerably over two miles would be added to the productive belt, for it is more than two miles, as the crow flies, from the Columbia-Kootenay to the nearest point on the Columbia river.

It is hoped that the gentleman in question is not a false prophet and that the zone mineralized with pay ore does extend between the points mentioned. If that is the case the output in time will be something so large as to be almost beyond calculation. It will make Rossland not only a Butte, but something larger—a Johannesburg.

A look at the map shows that there is some unworked ground near the Columbia river, and if the gentleman will only tell the general direction in which he would go, in case he started to follow the lead through so many miles of country, there are several individuals in the camp who would like to stake a claim or two. They would like to get in on the ground floor, as it were, on this proposition, as it seems to be one of more than ordinary size and importance.

BOUNDARY CREEK. The opening of branch offices of the Bank of British North America and the Bank of Commerce at Greenwood, the other day, may be accepted as the best evidence that the Boundary Creek country has reached a stage of development that justifies extensive industrial operations on a permanent basis.

For the last two or three years Greenwood has been the center of a mineral district where much development work has been done. The discovery there of enormous copper and copper-gold deposits has encouraged extensive operations. The result in almost every instance has proved very satisfactory. It is known that there are a number of properties in the neighborhood that are already of great value, and there is not the slightest doubt but that they would be yielding handsome dividends were it not for the absence of adequate freight and treatment facilities.

The time is near at hand, however, when the Boundary Creek country will enjoy all the advantages of direct railway communication with this city and the Kootenay smelters. Almost immediately following this Greenwood should become a place of considerable industrial and commercial importance and one of the richest of the many camps tributary to Rossland.

MINE INSPECTION. THE MINER desires to direct the attention of the Provincial government to the verdict of the jury in the inquest as to the cause of the recent disaster at the Sunset No. 2 mine, wherein it is suggested that the act regulating the inspection of metalliferous mines be more rigidly enforced. The recommendation of the jury is quite in keeping with the facts of the case. This must not be construed in any way as a reflection on the manner in which Mine Inspector McGregor performs the duties of the office, but rather a suggestion that more inspectors be employed. Under present conditions the work of inspecting all the metalliferous mines of British Columbia, devolves upon one man. This is a great deal too much for one man to do in a thorough and efficient manner. There is a great need for assistant inspectors, and the government should lose no time in appointing at least one more. In so doing it would be well to provide that one of the two inspectors shall devote himself entirely to the Rossland camp, where the large number of working mines demands constant vigilance on the part of the mine inspector.

QUARTZ AND FLUORINE MINING. The gold placers recently discovered near Atlin lake, in the extreme northern portion of the Province, are said to be very rich. The district is attracting considerable attention in the Pacific coast towns, but there is little likelihood of the excitement spreading eastwards. There will be no boom over the Atlin discoveries. The result of the Klondike boom has made the public very wary of placer mining. The profits from placer mining are so uncertain, and, as a rule, are won by such fearful hardships that this branch of mining no longer has any charm for the general public.

The only character of mining that has a firm hold on public favor is quartz mining. It is in this that more money is being expended than in any other branch of mining. Quartz mining offers a much safer investment than placer mining, and the profits, when they come, are invariably much greater. From now on public interest in the northern goldfields will gradually diminish until desolation and silence once more reigns over the country. Meanwhile the quartz mines of Kootenay will continue to steadily improve in wealth and importance, and public interest in them will rapidly increase, until the district becomes the scene of vast industrial operations, and millions upon millions of dollars will have been added to the wealth of the world.

THE HORSE POND CURE. There is a wide difference between the people of the east and of the boundless west. The former are pessimistic and the latter are optimistic. This is because of a sifting process that is always in progress. The pessimistic are not sanguine or venturesome enough to

think that they can better themselves by moving, and therefore remain and vegetate where they were "cast into this breathing world." The optimistic see with a prophetic eye the possibilities of a new country, and have enough spirit and daring to leave their homes in the east and venture out into the wilds in search of fortune and adventure. As a result the citizens of the west, as a rule, are just the sort required to conquer a new country, for there are physical obstacles in such regions that have to be fought as though they made up an army of enemies. The people here, with few exceptions, if they have not made a fortune, all hope ultimately to do so and are full of spirit, enterprise, energy, strength, generosity, charity, public spirit, and, in fact, are possessed of all the better attributes of mankind. More of them attain success than is the case in the east, because the chances for making profits out of ventures of all kinds are greater in a new country than they are in those that have been long settled, since the opportunities are not all monopolized. They are by reason of their wholesomeness and their fortunate environments prone to look on the better side of things and to be broad and charitable in their views. This habit is one of the chief charms of a residence in the west, and once an individual has become accustomed to it he seldom cares to reside where the chief occupation of his neighbors seems to be to finding out all that they can about his private affairs, and afterwards retelling them to those who love gossip and scandal.

There are, however, even in the west, a few individual misfits, cases of arrested development, who have become stunted through lack of business success and look on their fellow citizens with jaundiced eyes. They never, by any chance, see any good in anybody or anything. They go around with a muck rake gathering only garbage in the gutter and never by chance look up into the bright blue sky, so intent are they upon their foul and unnatural occupation. They are like buzzards and are looking for carrion on which to feast their depraved appetites. They are never known to tell anything good about anyone. If they hear it they never repeat it. That is not what they are seeking. They are only hunting that which can be found on the seamy side of life.

A man may have numerous good qualities and have some small foibles. They only see the foibles, and they cry it out on the street corners and from the house-tops. There are one or two of this sort of oblique visioned men in this city, and one of them is connected with the newspaper business. Such men should be taken to the nearest horse pond and ducked till they are cured of this bad habit.

EDITORIAL NOTES. It is prophesied by those who are supposed to know that the present Provincial government will not last a year from the time of taking office. The Conservatives are perfecting a thorough organization throughout the Province, and it looks as though they will make a determined attempt to control the legislature at the next elections. The business of the international conference will be resumed at Washington on the 10th of November. Sir Richard Cartwright and Sir Louis Davies will be present at the reopening of the proceedings, but Sir Wilfrid Laurier will not be able to go to Washington until the 15th.

The reduction of freight rates resulting from the Crown's Nest Pass bargain is well exemplified on a car of apples shipped recently from Ontario to Brandon, Manitoba. Last year the freight would have amounted to \$292.50; this year it is \$174.40, or a difference in favor of the consumer of \$98.10. The districts to the west of Brandon save proportionately.

The eastern press continues to commend the suggestion of President Wilkes of the Canadian Bankers' association with reference to the establishment of a Canadian mint. It is very gratifying to note in this connection that there is an unopposed sentiment in favor of the proposed mint being located in British Columbia.

CERTAIN eastern contemporaries seem disposed to question the loyalty of Canadians of French ancestry in the event of a war between Great Britain and France. The Canadian-French are British subjects, whose loyalty to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria and British traditions is not more open to criticism than that of a Candian of English or Scotch ancestry.

THE principal cities of the eastern Provinces are vying with each other in their anxiety to honor Lord and Lady Aberdeen now that they are about to return to England. Lord Aberdeen and his consort have endeavored to discharge their duties, both official and social, to the utmost of their ability, and we think it will be generally admitted that they have succeeded in creating a very favorable impression from one end of the Dominion to the other.

THE valley of the Nile is destined to soon be the theatre of great industrial activity. Gigantic irrigation schemes are being successfully carried on for the reclamation of millions of acres of land that is now a sandy waste, but which can be made as productive as any in the world when plentifully supplied with

water. Another 20 years should see the Nile valley from the Delta to the Bahri-El-Ghazal in a high state of cultivation.

IT MAY NOT be possible to induce the government to give anything toward the proposed wagon road to the north, until the legislature meets. Meanwhile the highway must be built. Two plans suggest themselves. One is to raise all the money necessary among the citizens, and when the legislature meets get the money back. Another is to raise half the money necessary and go into debt for the remainder. In the end the government can be induced to pay the entire cost. The road must be built and at once.

SPOKANE is terrified by highwaymen, burglars and tramps, who are "holding up" people right and left, with many acts of violence. The mayor of Spokane has offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of any criminals engaged in the recent outrages, and every person over 21 years of age, upon the recommendation of the chief of police, will be sworn as a special policeman, without pay, and will be allowed to carry weapons and make arrests. If caught, these ruffians should be sentenced to the full penalty of the law, and that is what they will certainly experience in Rossland if they come here to ply their nefarious occupation.

FRANCE has waived all her rights to Fashoda, but, as Lord Salisbury said at the Kitchener banquet, this must not be construed as meaning that all cause for controversy between Great Britain and France over the Egyptian question is at an end. France is very reluctant to relinquish her claims to the rich Soudan province of Bah-el-Ghazal. This region is the garden spot of the Soudan, and is contained within the extensive valley of the Bah-el-Ghazal river. The southern water-shed of the valley forms the northeastern boundary of the Congo Free State. The basin includes the northwest of British East Africa, a large part of Dur-Fur, Dar-Fertil, and some unnam'd territory. It is said there is sufficient available cotton land in Bah-el-Ghazal to supply the whole world with that staple.

The Boundary Creek Times draws attention to the fact that in spite of the positive assurance of the Turner government last summer that construction would commence on the V. V. & E. railway from Penticton to Boundary Creek sometime last July, not a foot of grading has been done. The Times also says that at the time these assurances were given the route of the proposed road had not been even located. The line is now being surveyed. When it will be built is quite another matter. The Times has undoubtedly done good service by calling attention to this broken pledge of the late Government. It is hoped that Mr. Turner and his friends will be able to offer a satisfactory explanation as to why the promise was not fulfilled.

COLUMBIA AVENUE BLUFF. About Half Has Been Removed—Making Good Progress.

Sol Cameron is making excellent progress with the work of removing the rock bluff at the west end of Columbia avenue. A visit to the scene of operations yesterday revealed that half of the rock had been removed. The steam drill is kept busy and is doing excellent work. Then there is a steam crane, and by means of this the larger rocks are put on cars and transported over tracks to a point further along on the street, where it is used to fill in the depressions. For about 100 feet beyond the Miner's Triangle on the south side of Columbia hall, on the retaining wall is being constructed out of the larger pieces of stone. Although no mortar or cement is being used in this bulkhead, it is much better some. On this side of the street in some places, those who build in the future will have splendid opportunities for basements, as there is room for at least two stories before a building would reach the level of the street.

The new viaduct on Columbia avenue between Davis street, is practically completed. It is a temporary frame affair designed to aid Sol Cameron, the contractor on the rock bluff, in getting the refuse rock away from the bluff. The contractor has decided what to do towards putting in a permanent viaduct at that point.

Two Banks in a Day. J. B. Johnson has returned from a trip to Greenwood. Mr. Johnson made the trip both ways on horseback over the Dewdney trail. He says there is about four inches of snow on the little places along the trail. With a little more snow the trail will be closed for the season. Greenwood, he says, is looking up and is enjoying a period of liveliness and prosperity. He was in the city during the exciting scenes that preceded and followed the opening of two banks in one day, and says that it caused more talk than any incident that has occurred in Greenwood since it was founded.

It Died Aborning. The proposition to buy the water-works plant seems to have died early in its career. Some time ago the water-works company withdrew its offer to sell its rights for \$85,000. After that the city engineer reported unfavorably on the condition of the plant. Then the water-works company under the terms of its charter, by arbitration, it would be a difficult matter to force the sale. Now the administration is nearing its term of office and it is doubtful if any negotiations to purchase the plant will be commenced by the outgoing council.

The C. P. R. is bringing bridge timbers from Vancouver for use on the construction of the Robson-Penticton railway. One and a half million feet of these timbers will be used between Robson and Cascade City. The local sawmills cannot supply the quantity they are taxed to their fullest capacity to supply the local demand.

MUST CLOSE SUNDAY

Liquor Cannot Be Sold by Saloons on Sabbaths.

COMPLAINTS WERE MADE

Dominion Alliance Caused License Commissioners to Issue Order—Licensing Victuallers Will Meet to Formulate a Plan of Resistance.

Sunday closing of the saloons of the city is likely to be a live issue within the next week. Acting under instructions from the board of license commissioners, Inspector Harp was engaged Friday in warning hotelmen all over town that hereafter they will keep open on Sunday under peril of summary punishment. The announcement, which came like a thunderbolt from the blue upon the liquor men, has created no little excitement in their numbers.

For some time past the members of the Dominion alliance, a temperance organization, have been carrying on a quiet crusade directed towards Sunday closing. They have succeeded at last in bringing matters to a focus by the composition of the board of license commissioners, including Mayor Wallace, Hon. T. Mayne Daly and Police Magistrate Jordan, held its regular meeting this week, the members were waited upon by a committee from the Dominion alliance, headed by Rev. George Morden, the pastor of the Methodist church; J. E. Mills, representing Rev. D. McG. Gaudier, pastor of the Presbyterian church; F. W. Bauer, of the Salvation army, and O. D. Casselman. It has been known around the city hall for several days past that the Dominion alliance would present its case this week, and previous to the meeting Reverend Messrs. Morden, Gaudier and Evans had privately approached before individual members of the license commission. The appearance of the deputation at the meeting was therefore no surprise.

The delegation's complaint was that the Sunday closing act was being rigidly disregarded by the hotelmen. In some cases the front doors were closed and the side doors alone were used on Sunday, as a concession to the statute; in many cases business was carried on wide open on Sunday, without any attempt at concealment. Some time ago, the committee explained, the Dominion Alliance had presented to the city council a petition containing 500 names asking that the mayor and aldermen take steps towards enforcing the Sunday closing laws. The council had referred the whole matter to the board of license commissioners, and as a consequence, the members of the alliance appealed to the commissioners to take immediate action towards enforcing the laws. The board promised to consider the matter and the committee retired. Afterwards the commission passed a resolution instructing License Commissioner Harp to inform the saloon men of the complaint that had been made, and to inform them that in future they must either obey the Sunday closing law or take the consequences.

The hotelmen are vigorously opposed to any change in the present policy regarding Sunday closing, and a special meeting of their organization, the Licensing Victuallers' association will probably be held to adopt some method of dealing with the matter.

IT'S THE BANNER RECORD

Le Roi Shipped 12,445 Tons of Ore in October.

The Cost of Its Extraction and Loading on Cars Was Only \$2.74 Per Ton—Very Cheap Mining.

The Le Roi made its banner record last month so far as the shipping of ore is concerned. It shipped 12,445 tons of ore in October and the cost of extraction was only \$2.47 1/2 per ton. This included the dead work, the advance development and the hoisting of waste. Had there been plenty of cars and had the tracks of the Red Mountain railway been constructed up to the ore house this could have been beaten by 20 cents per ton. The sum mentioned, \$2.47 1/2, represented the cost of extracting the ore and the placing of it on board the cars. It is claimed that this is the cheapest mining that has ever been done in the camp. In the month of September over 9,000 tons of ore was extracted and the average cost was \$3.18 per ton. The average number of tons extracted since the beginning of the present month has been 475 tons per day, and it is thought that this average can be kept up. If this is the case the output will be 14,250 tons. It is claimed by the management that the Le Roi has taken out more ore than any other property in the country in the same period. It is also stated that there is more ore in the Le Roi between the 600 and the 700-foot levels than has hitherto been extracted since the company was incorporated on June 22, 1891. W. J. Harris, manager, and Nicholas Tregear, superintendent, are very much pleased with the good results that they are attaining from the property.

Will Soon Have Power. J. G. McMillan, vice-president of the Cariboo Creek & Canadian Mining & Development company, is in the city from Cariboo creek. Mr. McMillan reports that excellent progress is being made on the Golden Hope and other properties owned by his company. Excellent finds of tellurium ore continues to be found. Mr. McMillan says that the compressor plant for the Silver Queen Mining company will be ready for operation in two or three days. When the Silver Queen compressor begins operations the intention is to run a pipe line to the workings of the Cariboo Creek & Canadian property and use it to operate the power drills there. Then it is certain that more rapid progress with the work of development will be made. The power for the compressor is generated by means of a Pelton water wheel, and is therefore not expensive.

The Bank of Toronto expects to open its branch in the Stone block about the 15th of the month.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. New Orleans, Carn Bros and Wallaroo mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of Kootenay district. Where located: On the west fork of Sheep creek, north slope of Sophie mountain. Take notice that J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for Carn Bros, free miner's certificate No. 12,900, intend 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 24th day of September, 1898. J. A. KIRK. 9-24-98

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Helena No. 2 Mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of Kootenay district. Where located: On the west fork of Sheep creek, two miles north of the boundary line. Take notice that J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for Ota Johnson, free miner's certificate No. 12,900, and Charles Preberg, free miner's certificate No. 8,872, intend 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 15th day of September, 1898. J. A. KIRK. 9-22-98

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Concordia mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: Adjoining the Atlantic Cable, Dominion and Parka mineral claims. Take notice that I. F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for Adelia Stuns, free miner's certificate No. 75,852, and John A. Flinch, free miner's certificate No. 1,674, intend 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 14th day of September, 1898. I. F. A. WILKIN. 9-15-98

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Wide West Mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 1/2 miles south of the city of Rossland. Take notice that I. N. P. Townsend, acting as agent for Ross Thompson, No. 9,267, A. and D. J. Burke, No. 8,920 A, intend 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 4th day of October, 1898. I. N. P. TOWNSEND. 10-6-98

Application to Purchase.

Notice is hereby given that I will sixty days after date, apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the crown land hereinafter described, that is to say: Commencing at a post marked "Anthony John McMillan, S. E. Corner" and planted on the west bank of the Columbia river, about two miles north of the international boundary line, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, following the meandering of the said river to the said post, containing 100 acres, and being situated in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district, being the abandoned pre-emption of one Ponton. Dated this 15th day of October, 1898. ANTHONY J. McMILLAN. 10-27-98

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that the maps or plans, and books of reference, covering the additional right of way required for standardizing the Columbia and Western Railway between Trail, B. C. and Rossland, B. C., as well as branches to various mines, has been deposited in the office of the Registrar at Victoria, as required by Sub-section 2, Section 105 of the British Columbia Railway Act of Canada. F. P. GUTIELIUS, Superintendent. Trail, B. C., Sept. 22, 1898. 10-27-4

The Peoria Mining & Milling Company, Ltd. Lty.

Take notice that a special meeting of the Peoria Mining & Milling company, limited liability, will be held at the company's office, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on the 16th day of November, 1898, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of considering, and if deemed advisable, passing a resolution authorizing the sale of the whole or any part of the company's assets, rights, powers, privileges and franchises to such person or persons, and upon such terms and conditions as the shareholders may deem advisable, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting. Dated 15th day of October, 1898. J. F. FIFE, Secretary. 10-24

Rathmullen Consolidated Mining & Development Co., Limited.

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Rathmullen Consolidated Mining & Development Company, Consolidated Mining & Development Co., Ltd. will be held at their office, No. 124 Columbia avenue, east, Rossland, B. C., on the 12th day of December, 1898, at the hour of four o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering, and if deemed advisable, passing a resolution and if deemed advisable, authorizing the sale of the whole or any portion of the assets, rights and powers of the company, to such person or persons, and upon such terms and conditions as the shareholders may deem advisable, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting. Dated this 25th day of October, 1898. W. J. HARRIS, Sec. Treas. and a Director. Rossland, B. C. 11-24

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