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AN ILL-TIMED ACT.

We sincerely hope the provincial parliament will reconsider the vote by which it adopted the amendment to the Mineral act debarring aliens from locating claims in the province. It is a suicidal act.

C. P. R. OWNERSHIP.

The Toronto Globe of April 22 reprints on its editorial page the Miner's entire editorial on the position taken by the Dominion government touching the building of the Crow's Nest railroad.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Our Ottawa correspondent repeats the warning THE MINER gave the Dominion government some time ago in connection with its responsibilities to the gold seekers in Yukon district.

There seems to be some difference of opinion as to Surveyor Ogilvie's report on the Clondyke placers. Our Ottawa correspondent some weeks ago gave us a very full resume of his latest letters to the department.

THE ORPHAN BOY IS SOLD.

The Orphan Boy is sold. It will be interesting to note whether the man who sold it has any interest in the new company which is to work it.

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Row in the H. Davis was shown the report of the investigation today, and there about \$500. Davis dismissing Mrs. Foster said not warrant the there was politics for the woman's husband Davis (Saskatchewan) Mrs. McManus and kept Northwest. Davis' missive a strong opinion closed by showing asked for the Manus, who received and now, which carried out the investigation, he was a British Columbia. The minister Colonel Prior the going soon to B into the whole fishery and smuggling of British Columbia. The fishermen would be entitled Canadian waters. No artificial fishery. The minister would be entitled Canadian waters. No artificial fishery. The minister would be entitled Canadian waters. No artificial fishery.

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Lieutenant A. D. Provan, free miner's certificate No. 75,650, 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.

Public notice is hereby given that the Tully Mining Corporation Limited, Foreign, a company duly incorporated in the province of British Columbia under Part IV of the Companies Act, 1895 and amending acts, will after three months from the first publication hereof in the British Columbia Gazette at Rossland, the locality in which the operations of the corporation are carried on, apply to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, to his honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for an order in council changing the name of the corporation to "The Gold and Silver Mines Development Company, Limited, Foreign."

Application for Liquor License. Notice is hereby given that Helen Varker, of the City of Rossland, intends to apply to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Rossland, at the next meeting, for a license to sell and consume in the building known as the St. Lawrence hotel, on lot 23, in block 26, of the original townsite of Rossland.

To get all the news of the Boundary country you must read THE ROSSLAND MINER.







KASLO TO CELEBRATE

Queen's Birthday Will Be the Occasion of Unusual Festivities.

LATE NEWS OF THE MINES

Galena Ledge Found at North Kaslo—Gibson's Good Sale—Shiell Now Owns the Porcupine—Uncle Mike Group to Be Tunnelled.

KASLO, April 27.—[Special.]—An unusually large number of citizens assembled on Saturday evening at the call of the mayor to take into consideration the advisability of celebrating the Queen's birthday. It was decided after an interchange of views to have a two-day celebration on the 24th and 25th of May, and a strong executive committee was appointed to arrange a program of sports and amusements. A finance committee consisting of Peirce, Byers, Goodenough and H. A. Cameron was appointed to raise the necessary funds, about which no difficulty is anticipated. At a subsequent meeting Mayor Green was chosen chairman, J. L. Peirce, treasurer, and James Anderson, secretary. In the committee some questions arose as to the propriety of including in the committee's program, the league game of baseball, slated for Sunday, the 23rd instant, and a strong protest was entered by Alderman Buchanan. It was finally decided that the committee's list of sports should entirely ignore the Sunday game, and the citizens' celebration should be held on Monday and Tuesday. It is hoped that such arrangements may be made for transportation as may secure a large attendance from neighboring cities, and from our neighbors to the south. These birthday celebrations have always been the occasion for an enjoyable time, and it is intended to make the celebration of the birthday of jubilee year even more than customarily successful.

The city council of Kaslo will doubtless embrace the opportunity afforded by the celebration of her majesty's birthday to entertain the newly elected boards of her sister cities of Roseland and Nelson. As the eldest of the trio of Kootenay cities, the duties of the first formal entertainment belong to her, and the personnel of the aldermanic board is sufficient guarantee that the duty will be well performed and the entertainment liberal.

Kaslo Baseball Team. J. L. Peirce, who is financing the Kaslo end of the British Columbia and Washington baseball league, is meeting with a gratifying response to his appeal to the citizens. Without a single exception the wealthier citizens have made liberal subscriptions, so that the financial success of the league, so far as Kaslo is concerned, has been placed beyond peradventure. Grounds, convenient and suitable have been selected, and a contract will at once be let to prepare them for the intended purpose. Managers and players, too, have been pretty busy in selecting their team, and will be able to make his official announcements within the required time. With the care and energy taken by those having the necessary arrangements in charge, and the interest shown by the citizens, Kaslo expects to take a prominent part in the scheduled games, and with corresponding skill upon the diamond will not be far behind when the pennant is awarded.

Galena Found at North Kaslo. There is an unusual interest taken in prospecting upon the mountain sides in the immediate vicinity of Kaslo. On Sunday last, it is said, that fully a hundred enthusiastic amateurs were scouring the foothills between Fry creek and Powder creek on the east side of the lake, and another crowd was on the hills overlooking North Kaslo, and some claims were located by both parties. It is reported that for the first time a ledge carrying galena was found in the latter vicinity, while some of the float found on the foothills on the east side, about a quarter of a mile from the lake shore, was unusually rich in appearance. Efforts will be made to trace the ledge. If it fulfills the promise of the float some lucky discoverer will have secured a fortune in his find.

Mining Deals. Treve M. Gibson a short time ago acquired the mineral claims Lady of the Lake and Hamberg, located in the Hot Springs camp, about one and a half miles southwest of the town of Ainsworth, and lying between the Little Mamie and King Solomon claims. He has now transferred them to Fred Steele for the sum of \$12,700.

Steele in turn, for a nominal consideration, has transferred the claims, together with the Little Mamie, to the MacLeod Gold & Silver Mining Company. The agreement for the Little Mamie bears the date of April 7th, and that transferring the other two claims is dated April 27th.

The Falls View Gold Mining and Milling company has been organized in Kaslo to take over the mineral claims Falls View and Morning Glory, located on Bear creek. The company has been organized under the laws of British Columbia with a capital of \$300,000, divided into 1,200,000 shares of the par value of 25 cents each. Of these 400,000 shares will be set apart as treasury stock, and the proceeds will be devoted to developing the properties. The incorporators are S. C. Wing, E. C. Pease, E. E. Chipman, Eugene He and R. McIntyre. The shares will be placed upon the market at par.

Washington Mine Working. Major Montgomery returned on Sunday from a business trip to the Washington mine belonging to the company of which he is the president. About 100 feet of the tramway had been carried away by a slide. This portion has been replaced and the whole length put in tiptop condition. It is expected that everything will be in readiness to start the concentrator by the first of May, when it will be worked continuously so long as water holds out. Thirty-five men are now employed upon the property.

Robert Shiell who did a considerable amount of development work last autumn upon the mineral claim Porcupine on Goat creek, has now purchased William Matheson's interest in the property and is the sole owner. He has also acquired the Paradise in the same vicinity.

ity. Both these claims are very promising. The new owners of the Uncle Mike group in the vicinity of the townsite of Ladore are advertising for tenders to run a 50-foot tunnel upon the property. Parties desiring to tender will be given transportation to the claims. G. A. Morphy is acting for the properties. These properties were bonded not long ago to Henry Croft and F. W. Rolt.

Poor Electric Light Service. Thus far the electric lighting of the city cannot be pronounced an unqualified success. For several nights in succession the arc lights on the streets have been unlighted and the lights in the stores and houses have shone with only dimmed lustre at best, while occasionally, resort to oil lamps has been compulsory, because of the electrical failure. An explanation is said to be found in the size of the dynamo which are too small for the required work.

Fred Cockburn, of Vancouver, the representative in British Columbia of the house of R. G. Dun & Co., has been in the city several days, interviewing the various business houses as to their sources, stocks and volume of business. He finds our business men more solidly based and in much better spirits than at any previous period.

Justice of the Peace Stone presided at the little farce on Monday afternoon, when the Buchanan-Chipman case was again postponed for the fourth or fifth time. The periods are, however, shortening. This time the adjournment was for a single day. It may be tried on Tuesday if by any chance a justice can be found to sit in the investigation. Meantime the city clerk remains on the tenter hooks of expectancy.

It is again reported that the city is to have another newspaper with an extensive and complete plant, but whence it is to come and who is to have charge of the new enterprise has not been made public.

J. Rooney, chief railway clerk of British Columbia, is making a tour of Kootenay, inspecting the new line on behalf of Inspector Fletcher. It may be hoped that he may impart somewhat of regularity to the service.

Reports from the mines all say that the snow on the hills is disappearing very rapidly, and the season opens weeks earlier than has been usual.

JOINS THE TENNESSEE.

N. B. Mine Near Quartz Strikes It—Sale of the Claim Pending. QUARTZ CREEK, April 26.—[Special.]—The work of clearing the streets is being resumed. A number of houses is going up rapidly on the opposite side of the Salmon river. The bridge is completed and the street is open to traffic. A rich strike was made yesterday on the N. B. mine, owned by W. H. Sherrod of Rockford, Wash. The mine is adjoining the famous Tennessee. The two workings are not over 100 feet apart. The ore is like the War Eagle in character. The owners are well pleased with their property. It is rumored it is to be sold to a company of which Mr. Lombard, a Boston capitalist, is the principal. Work will be pushed on to bring it to a dividend paying basis. Mr. Sherrod goes to Spokane today to close the deal. The price is withheld, but it is a high figure.

The Last Chance looks well. White Bear's New Machinery. The new four-drill compressor on the White Bear is completed and is now in operation. The steam drill did very well in sinking, but when drifting was commenced the steam made it too hot for the men. It was then determined by Manager Cole to get a compressor. The new machinery works like a charm and rapid progress is being made in the east drift from the 100-foot level. Sinking is to be resumed in a short time, and the shaft put down to the 300-foot level.

MINING NOTES.

Work has been started on the Indiana Consolidated, after a long shut down. It is hoped the litigation over this property will soon be settled.

Colonel Peyton is to work the Mountain View on an extensive scale this summer. He will make experiments in concentration of the ore.

It is reported, on what appears to be good authority, that the Mugwump is to resume operations. A new hoisting plant is to be put in.

The 30-horse power boiler, hoist, pump and two drill plant for the Hatfield mine arrived yesterday. It will be sent out to the mine at once, when sinking of the shaft will be resumed.

Colonel Wharton says extensive work will be started on the Cliff about May 1. A large amount of ore is already on the dump and shipments will be resumed as soon as the road to the mine can be used.

THE DEER PARK SHAFT.

All In Solid Ore and the Bottom Shows Better Oppen Value. The Deer Park shaft is a sight for sore eyes. It is almost the only shaft in the camp which is in solid ore all the way. This ore is not of pay value near the surface, but the low grade looks just as well as the stuff that runs \$100 to the ton. The shaft is 6 1/2 x 8 feet in the clear and is 142 feet deep. In the bottom there is a streak 12 to 15 inches wide of sugary quartz, carrying molybdenite. This is the high grade ore of the mine. The rest of the ore is a clean pyrrhotite, showing fully four per cent in copper. The gold values are unknown, as no assays have been made for some time.

Manager Kelly visited the property yesterday for the first time for a month, he having been absent from the city for that length of time. To a MINER representative he said on his return, "The mine never looked as well as it does now."

MADE A TEN STRIKE

All England Pleased With Canada's New Tariff.

THE OPPOSITION DISHED

Laurier and Fielding Hailed in England as the Leaders in the New Movement For a Closer Union of Britain and Her Colonies.

[From our Special Correspondent.] OTTAWA, Ont., April 27.—The opposition finds itself in a pitiable position over the new tariff. While Tupper and Foster will both denounce it as ruinous to the industries of the country and may be able to show the big reductions it is going to make in the goods largely used by the consumer, still they cannot get the rank and file of the party to agree upon any amendment to the tariff, because it would show them to be opposing what Great Britain approved of, and they might be charged with disloyalty to the best interests of the empire. They recall how they waved the flag a few years ago with so much good political effect against the liberals.

In the caucus of the conservatives, Tupper fought strenuously to have an amendment passed on the preferential tariff which they would not consent to do so. Many conservatives even refused to attend the meeting. The Toronto World, conservative, approves the tariff.

A special cable from England says that Rudyard Kipling has, in today's London Times, six stanzas in favor of Canada's tariff.

British Press Well Pleased. Minister Fielding today received a batch of cables giving the opinions of the English press on the tariff. The Birmingham Post acknowledges the warm-hearted allusions of Fielding to the mother country. The Leeds Mercury says: "Manufacturers regard with satisfaction Canada's determination to deal more favorably with the mother country than with the states." The Bradford Observer regards the new Canadian tariff as likely to increase British commerce with Canada. The Darlington Echo says that the reform will prove a distinct benefit to the textile industries of Yorkshire and other parts of England. The Liverpool Courier says: "If we are going to have free trade, let it be between England and her colonies, and let other nations which would ruin us look out for themselves."

The Manchester Guardian says: "The new tariff gives up the attempt at commercial union and shatters the dreams of Goldwin Smith." The Newcastle Chronicle states that Canada's tariff is in answer to McKinley. The Nottingham Times says: "Canada will have the distinction of precedence in a movement which may presently assume worldwide importance."

A special article in the London Times says: "It is the first step in the initiation of free trade." The Morning Post states: "It must necessarily draw closer and make more intimate the relations between Canada and the mother country." The Daily Chronicle regards the tariff as a straight blow to protection of the American continent. The Daily Press says: "As patriots we welcome this significant display of attachment from the greatest of British colonies, and as liberals we congratulate the leader of the liberal party of the Dominion." The London Globe says: "Fielding's eloquence will cause a thrill of patriotic enthusiasm, and the singing of the national anthem will find an echo in millions of loyal hearts."

The Fall MacGill Gazette says: "The American press has talked about preferential duties and did nothing. Fielding plays a trump card with decision." The Morning Advertiser says it is an act that does honor to the patriotism of the most distinguished offspring of the mother land.

The James Gazette says: "Fielding is justified in expecting whatever help the mother country can supply. The Evening News hopes that the new departure will be fostered and encouraged. The Daily Mail says that this manifestation will take a lot of explaining from those who talk of Canada's absorption by the United States. The Times says: "Of no little significance is the fact that it is by the liberal French-Canadian statesman, the minister of Catholicism, to be prime minister of the Dominion that it is brought about."

Cartwright and Tupper consumed the day in the house. Oliver complained of the duty on mowers and harvesters not being reduced, and Robertson, as a protectionist, decided to stand by the opposition. The railway committee of the privy council gave Kaslo & Slovan railway and the Canadian Pacific three weeks to reduce to a settlement and if one is not then arrived at the committee will decide. Mr. Templeman and Reily, president of the Liberal association of Victoria, are here.

Senator McInnes Wants a Mint. The senate met this evening after its two weeks Easter adjournment. A large number of petitions were presented and a message from the governor-general thanking the senate for its address in reply to the speech from the throne was read. McInnes of British Columbia gave notice of a motion that in the opinion of the senate it is expedient that the government should at the earliest possible moment establish a mint in Canada for the purpose of coining all gold, silver and copper currency necessary to meet all the commercial requirements of the country.

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IN THE IMPERIAL COMMONS. Reference Made to Canada's New Tariff—The Eastern Question. LONDON, April 27.—In the house of commons today Sir Charles E. H. Vincent, conservative and fair trader member for the central division of Sheffield, announced that he would move the following resolution a month hence: "The house expresses grateful and fraternal recognition to the government and people of the Dominion of Canada of the generous fiscal changes in favor of British trade and labor announced on Friday by the parliament of Ottawa and already in force, and hopes this first step towards a commercial federation of the empire will be followed by Australasia, South Africa and the other colonies."

The secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, replying said the government cordially appreciated the friendly spirit shown by the tariff union that the Great Britain must have first. [Cheers.] Continuing, Mr. Curzon informed the house that the admirals of foreign fleets in Cretan waters had decided that the deportation of Turkish troops from Crete. A majority of the powers, he added, were of the opinion that the Greeks must leave first. [Cheers.] Continuing, Mr. Curzon informed the house that the admirals of foreign fleets in Cretan waters had decided that the deportation of Turkish troops from Crete. A majority of the powers, he added, were of the opinion that the Greeks must leave first. [Cheers.] Continuing, Mr. Curzon informed the house that the admirals of foreign fleets in Cretan waters had decided that the deportation of Turkish troops from Crete. A majority of the powers, he added, were of the opinion that the Greeks must leave first. 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MINES OF BOUNDARY

Surface Water Interfering Greatly With Operations at Present.

THE LATE DEVELOPMENTS

Brandon and Golden Crown to Start a 300 Foot Tunnel—Public Shows Four Foot of Ore—Deep Shaft on the No. 7.

ANACONDA, April 22.—[Special.]—The Brandon and Golden Crown Mining company has started work on a 300-foot tunnel, which is to crosscut the ledge on the Golden Crown at depth. The Golden Crown is in Wellington camp next to the Winnipeg mine, and has shown some very fine ore. It is mostly pyrrhotite with copper, and some assays reach \$200 per ton. An assay of picked ore is stated to be \$50.

Good progress is being made on the Republic claim's shaft, about one and a half feet per day being sunk. The ledge has widened to about four feet and shows good ore.

Work was begun today on the Spotted Horse claim next to Greenwood township. On the Boundary Falls claim the shaft has been timbered, and sinking was resumed today.

The Canadian's development work has been temporarily suspended on account of water. It is hoped that work can be begun again in about two weeks.

Mr. Drucker of London, Eng., is expected to arrive in about two weeks. On the Hidden Treasure and Gold Bug claim in Deadwood camp, which he recently purchased, work has been begun. The water in the Gold Bug is very troublesome just at present, the 10-foot sump being filled every morning.

Deepest Shaft in Boundary. At No. 7 claim the work of taking out rock has been practically at a standstill for a week, owing to the excessive amount of water which is coming in. It has taken the undivided attention of the men to keep it down. However, it is expected that the trouble will greatly lessen as soon as all the melting snow has run off. The shaft on No. 7 is to be sunk 100 feet further at once. When this is done, the total depth will be 240 feet, making it the deepest one in the Boundary district. The shaft is not sunk on or next the vein where the rock is very hard, but about 10 feet in the footwall where there is a stratum of soft serpentine which makes the work of sinking very much less and the work more rapid.

W. T. Smith expects to sink the shaft on the Last Chance 100 feet further during the summer. He has been much troubled with the water during the past two weeks.

The Mother Lode. Work at the Mother Lode is still suspended, but it is expected that operations will shortly be resumed there, as it is the intention of the Boundary Mines company to thoroughly develop and explore this property as soon as possible. Although nearly 300 feet of tunnels and shafts have been already run or sunk, still the one body is of such great size that much additional work will be required in order to arrive at a thorough knowledge of the claim.

J. O. Haas will begin development work on the Golconda group of claims in Smith camp in the near future. He is now in Spokane.

The general idea of prospecting for the summer seems likely to go up the main Kettle river valley and adjacent country, the ore being chiefly pyrrhotites and similar sulphides, and it is expected that a number of good claims will be located.

STEAMERS AND TRAINS.

Nakusp Has Cleared Up the Blockade of Freight on the River.

TRAIL, April 26.—[Special.]—Commodore Troup brought the Nakusp down Saturday night. He says that the freight blockade at Arrowhead has been entirely relieved with the exception of a car of hay which he was unable to bring down with him on the Nakusp, Saturday. The crush at Robson has also been relieved, and there is not a pound of freight there awaiting shipment.

The Trail will make a special trip tomorrow morning to Robson, to take the Columbia opera company up to Nelson. The company after playing in Nelson the main line of the C. P. R. After her trip tomorrow, the Trail will go to Nakusp to be overhauled for a week. Her route has not been decided upon, but she will probably ply for a while between Deer Park and Trail, carrying down line rock for the smelter.

The rush of passenger business on the steamers has been very heavy of late, since the Red Mountain road has been closed down by the landslides. The Lytton has brought down 100 to 130 passengers nearly every night, and the boats from the north have had passenger lists varying from 40 to 50 on every down trip, three times a week. The great bulk of the arrivals go right through to Rossland, and the Columbia & Western trains have been loaded to the platforms on every trip. Thanks to Superintendent Gutelius, there have been no serious delays on the road, for he has kept a gang of 60 men at work clearing off landslides as fast as they occurred, and in that way has prevented any long continued blockades. The only delay of any length was on the 19th of April, when an unusually heavy slide tied up the road for 36 hours. As the road is built with 25 degree curves and 4 per cent grades it has been no light task to keep it free.

RICHARDS SWALLOWED POISON

Recovered and Went to the Calaboose. Gives no Clues.

With a half ounce of laudanum James Richards, a miner and prospector, attempted to end his existence Sunday morning because of trouble with his wife. Prompt medical treatment saved his life, and he landed in the calaboose instead of the great beyond where he had calculated on going.

The exciting affair which led to the rupture between Richards and his wife are not clearly known. He came here about a week ago from the Slocan where he had been working. His wife and their three children are living in a cabin near the Red Mountain depot. What transpired on Richard's arrival has been variously reported. At any rate things reached a climax Sunday morning when Richards went to Roll's drug store and bought a half ounce of laudanum stating to the druggist that he wanted to make some household use of it.

He returned to his cabin and walking in before his wife, raised the bottle of poison to his lips and swallowed the entire half ounce. Muttering something to the effect that his wife "would be sorry" he left the shack and walked over to a clump of brush near the baseball flat, where he fell down in a heap. He was discovered where he had fallen by several children who thought him dead and told the people in the vicinity that a dead man was lying over in the brush. Undertaker Beatty was informed that a corpse had been found in the brush and he notified Constable Hooson.

In the meantime Richards had been carried into his cabin. Dr. Sinclair was summoned and every effort was made to revive the seemingly lifeless man. After three hours hard work Richards was pronounced out of danger. In the evening he was taken to the lockup.

Last night an attempt was made to elicit from Richards the cause of his attempted suicide. He was asked if it was true as reported that he had quarreled with his wife over the attention which another man is said to have bestowed upon her during Richard's absence in Slocan. He said it was not and that his wife was a good woman. Later he said he did not attempt suicide.

NINE MONTHS' BUSINESS.

Tabulated Statistics of the Ore Received at Kaslo.

Over 14,000 Tons, Worth \$1,315,366—Extraordinarily High Value of the Ore in Silver and Lead.

KASLO, April 24.—[Special.]—The MINER has published a weekly statement of the ore receipts at the Kaslo station of the Kaslo and Slocan railway, and has also given from time to time the gross shipments from the port. It may be of interest to many, however, to bring these statistics together and show in tabulated form the gross tonnage, its value, and comparative richness.

The following table covers the shipments for the nine months of the current financial year, and shows the gross weight of the ore, its value, the weight of the lead contained, and the total number of ounces of silver. These figures are taken from the books of the custom house and will differ but slightly from smelter returns. The other figures are deduced from these data and show the per centage of lead, the number of ounces of silver per ton, and the value of each month's shipment per ton of ore. When it is remembered that shipments come from a large number of mines, the figures speak eloquently of the richness of the Slocan properties.

Table with columns: Month, Gross Weight, Value, Lead, Silver, and Value per Ton. Rows for July 1896, August, September, October, November, December, January, February, March, April 1897.

WHAT THE COUNCIL WILL DO.

The Board of Works Employs Neither Aliens Nor Chinese.

Great progress has been made since last week on the cleaning up and grading of the streets. J. G. Cameron, who is acting as foreman of works at the direction of Alderman McPherson, has under him a force of 50 energetic men, who are working hard to get the roads into tolerable condition. No accurate grading can be done until the city engineer has been appointed and has fixed the grade levels.

In the meantime St. Paul street is being made passable from the depot to First avenue, Lincoln street no longer resembles a rough of despond, Sour Dough alley is swiftly becoming a memory of the past, sidewalks and crossings are being made as fast as the supply of lumber will admit of, and the bluff blocking the middle of Columbia avenue is being denuded of all its covering of earth and as soon as the stone alone is left a contract will be made to take that away also.

No Chinese are employed on these public works. Each laborer, before his engagement, is made to declare himself a British subject. The figure at which the wages of these employes of the city is to be set will not be fixed until tonight's council meeting. It is said that it will be \$3 per day.

It will be a busy meeting tonight for Mayor Scott and his aldermen. There is the report of the finance committee to be considered, the question of passing the municipal bylaws, the final shape which the license laws are to assume, and last but not least the appointment of several city officials. Altogether the issue of tonight's deliberations will leave more than a passing mark on the records of Rossland.

The Sunday Car Question.

TORONTO, Ont., April 27.—The Sunday vote, which is to be taken May 15, has caused a campaign which started tonight in a meeting in the pavilion by those opposed. The leading opponent of Sunday cars were present and spoke. The meeting was not, however, a great success, being poorly attended. There was little enthusiasm and some dissent was visible among those present. Advocates of Sunday cars will hold a meeting tomorrow night.

The Good Hope Company.

VICTORIA, April 22, 1897. COLUMBIA.—Sir: As the public can only get from THE MINER a fair and impartial statement

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Quartz Creek Hotelkeeper's Experience With J. N. Blake.

MR. MORIN'S AFFIDAVIT

Blake Said He Owned the Townsite and Could Get Him a License—Morin Learnt at Nelson That He Had Been Fooled.

The restraining order respecting the Quartz Creek townsite, to which reference was made in a Spokane dispatch in Sunday morning's issue of THE MINER, was Thursday served on J. N. Blake, Joseph Powell and Dr. J. T. McKenzie. Orders are also out against J. L. Parker, John Dorsey and Arthur Burnham, but these defendants are not in Rossland and have not been served.

Below is one of the affidavits on which the restraining order is based. It is interesting reading as showing the extreme lengths to which gall will go. In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Between the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company and Daniel Chase Corbin—Plaintiffs and J. L. Parker, Joseph Powell, J. T. McKenzie, Arthur Burnham, John Dorsey and J. N. Blake—Defendants.

1. Alphonse Morin, of Quartz Creek, in the district of West Kootenay, province of British Columbia, is a hotelkeeper. 2. I came to Quartz Creek on the first day of January of the present year and have since then been in the present time, and it is my intention to make my residence in that place for some time yet to come.

3. Very shortly after my arrival at Quartz Creek, I erected a building on a portion of land which I selected and which I have since its completion used as a hotel for the accommodation and convenience of the public. It is a frame building 24 x 50 feet in size.

4. I was desirous to obtain a license to sell liquor at my hotel, and the defendant Blake came to Quartz Creek. I was told by one of the boarders in Keele's hotel, and I accordingly went to see him at Keele's hotel, to consult him professionally regarding the best means to proceed to obtain my license. I met the defendant Blake at the hotel at that time and explained to him the position of my affairs and asked for his advice. He told me that Mr. Corbin (who is always understood to represent the plaintiffs) had no right whatever to the land comprising the townsite of Quartz Creek, that he had lost his rights in that respect before, and that the defendant Blake was now the owner of the property and that I would have to deal with him.

5. He told me then that he would get my license for me right away, but that he would need to see me on Friday, and on Saturday morning, which he was to render me in obtaining my license, and the defendant, Blake, & for his services, the sum of \$100.00.

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7. After receiving said letter I came to Nelson for the purpose of obtaining my license, believing that Blake had secured the same for me. I have read THE MINER carefully ever since but saw no report of such meeting having taken place. Will you please let me know if the meeting is all right, and if they are doing any work on this property, or if I may look upon any stock in this concern as money thrown away, yours truly, SHARSHOLDER.

8. The meeting was held, as announced in THE MINER, the capital stock increased and a new board of officers elected. The company is now in fine shape, as one-half its capital stock is in its treasury. W. A. Campbell, who was one of the prime movers in the reorganization, will get "Shareholder" out all the information he wants concerning the present condition, plans and prospects of the company.—Ed.]

Lake of the Woods Mines. BRICHTREE, Pa., April 20. EDITOR MINER.—Sir: I would be so much obliged to you to write me a few lines and tell me what you think about the La Mascotte mines, or any of the territory in the Lake of the Woods district, Ontario. If you can give me any information regarding the same it will be very much appreciated. Yours, P. J. NORMAN.

[Lake of the Woods is only about 150 miles outside of the territory we claim to cover, so our information is very limited. A letter to the editor of the Red Mountain Miner or one of the Winnipeg, Man., dailies would probably bring the desired information.—Ed.]

PASSENGER TRAINS RUNNING.

Red Mountain Road Finally Open—High Water Threatens the Bridge. For the first time since April 10, passenger trains were run Monday on the Red Mountain railway to and from Northport. The train which left here a few minutes past 10 o'clock in the morning with over 60 passengers, arrived at Northport about noon. Owing to the high water, the cars could not be ferried, and as a consequence passengers, baggage and mail had to be taken across on the ferry to the Northport side. It was 2 o'clock before the task of transferring the passengers had been completed.

Passengers on the north-bound train had to go through the same operation by changing cars, and the train did not leave the river for Rossland until 4 o'clock, arriving here a few minutes before 6 o'clock.

According to the statements of passengers on the incoming train, the river rose 16 inches Sunday night at Northport. The new bridge is in great danger and every effort is being made to prevent the water from washing all the false work away from the place where it has been swept away several times before. Superintendent Foy is working hard to save the structure, but is very apprehensive. The height of the water and velocity of the current has rendered it well nigh impossible to transfer cars, and a large amount of freight that is at Northport awaiting shipment to Rossland may be delayed indefinitely. Freight trains are being run from the north side of the river to Rossland as close together as possible in order that the 80 cars of freight on the north side may be delivered here.

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HASKINS' QUEER CONDUCT

He Wrecked His Own Company and Now Proposes to Go to Alaska—Shareholders in the Old Company Get Fractionally Nothing.

Revelstoke Mail: The Orphan Boy mine was sold on Wednesday. The bidding was almost entirely between C. N. Davidson, a Vancouver jeweler, and E. L. Kinman, of Revelstoke. The latter dropped out when the bid reached \$6,000 and Davidson got the mine for \$6,200.

Davidson told a Mail reporter that he did not represent Haskins or the old company, but that he bought it as a speculation for himself and two friends. He was ready to pay much more for the property, he said, if it had been necessary.

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FROM THE RECORDS

Transfers

APRIL 29. Cascade, Ira W. Beverley to S O Grisdwood. Black Bull 1/2, John Manley to A Dunlop. Major R C Watson to J Shanahan and T W Stack.

Listed Stocks

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—A. M. SESSION.

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Emergency, O M Hand to H O'Connell. Rita S, Sander 1/2 and Shannon 1/2, F Jackson to T S Gilmore.

APRIL 26. Myrtle No. 1 to 10, O L Carr to J C Sanders, \$55. Myrtle No. 1 to 20, O L Carr to W H Hutchins, \$400.

APRIL 27. Magna Charta, Grace Darling, Remuneration, Smith Curtis to Consolidated Seven Mines company, limited.

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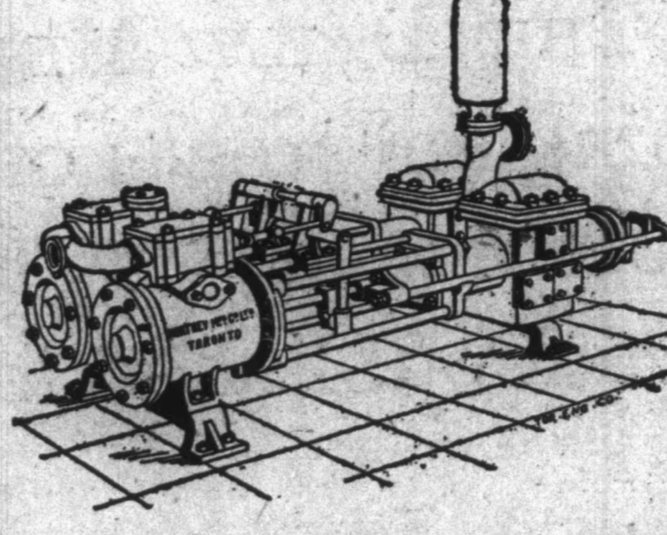
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KASLO NEWS NOTES

Receipts of Ore in March Figured Up Over 3,800 Tons.

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Antoine Mine Has 30 Inches of High Grade Ore in the Face-Lower Workings of the Whitewater-The Bishop's Easter Sermon.

KASLO, April 20.—[Special.]—Some interesting figures are deducible from the returns of ore shipments from Kaslo during the month of March, as recorded in the books at the custom house. The total shipments for the month amounted to 6,677,000 pounds, or 3,338½ tons of a gross value of \$289,699. The lead amounted to 3,047,300 pounds and the silver to 376,751 ounces. The average value of the ore per ton was \$86.77—112.85 ounces of silver and 6.65 per cent of lead for the entire shipment.

Independently of the cost of developing the mines it may be fairly assumed that a ton of ore from the Slocan can be stacked and put down at any one of the smelters at an average cost of about \$35, while from many of the larger shippers, it is done at very much less. There thus remains a handsome profit for the fortunate mine owners. When it is remembered that by far the larger portion of the shipments is crude ore, and only those from the Noble Five, concentrates, the significance of the figures will be appreciated. They certainly attest in a most convincing manner the remarkable richness of the mines of the Slocan country if such testimony were needed.

Mining Notes.

J. C. Ryan, manager of the Antoine mine, has secured for exhibition an 800-pound specimen of ore from that property, which, it is claimed, will give a larger assay return than any similar block brought from the Slocan. The original weight was over 1,100 pounds, but unfortunately it was broken in transmission. It will probably be sent to Spokane. C. H. Carr, owner of the property, was at the mine the other day and saw in the face of the drift 2½ feet of ore, which was not only gratifying but unusual, as he had never seen anything like it in the course of a considerably wide experience. The Whitewater mine is now in charge of John W. Powell, formerly of Nevada, but more recently from Alameda, as foreman. He is an old friend of Manager J. C. Eaton, and formed his first acquaintance with British Columbia mines in the days when miners sought the Cariboo district as the only wealth-producing section of the province. Mr. Eaton left for the south on Monday morning, and will visit the Puget Sound Reduction works at Everett during his absence.

The Whitewater mine is said to be maintaining its fine showing. From the lowest tunnel a winze is being sunk, which, at the depth of 25 feet, still shows the ore body undiminished. This is at a depth of fully 400 feet below the level of the uppermost tunnel. The winze will be sunk to a depth of 100 feet if the ore holds out, and a tunnel run to connect with it.

The roads and trails connecting many of the operated mines with the Kaslo & Slocan railway are breaking up or becoming almost impassable at a much earlier period than is usual. One mine manager reports that four years last Saturday he dug through seven feet of snow to build a cabin, and this year there were not two feet of snow at that point on the same day of the month, and what remained was fast disappearing. Supplies for another mine had to be packed upon men's backs, as it was found impossible to get animals over the trail.

The number of mineral claims which have recently been located in the immediate vicinity of the city has seemed to fire the ambition of a number of its young men to become prospectors, and most of their leisure moments are spent in wandering over the adjacent hills in the hope of happening upon a rich ledge.

The Bishop at Kaslo.

The Right Reverend John Dart, bishop of New Westminster, preached at the English church on Easter day, morning and evening, to large congregations. In his introductory remarks at the morning service he defended the use of the Athanasian creed, which had been withdrawn from public service by the sister church in the United States. He noted the fact that this creed had been defended in its entirety by one of the most eminent nonconformist divines of Great Britain. Dr. Dart also explained the significance of the Cross as an emblem of Christianity, and illustrated his remarks by reference to the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack, mere pieces of bunting in themselves, but in defence of them and to protect them from insult, patriotic men of the two foremost nations of the world willingly sacrificed their lives. So, too, the Christian, of whatever denomination, should regard the Cross, the emblem of his faith. The bishop made no allusion to the difficulties which have rent the congregation, but some, at least, saw in his remarks concerning the emblematic cross an effort to smooth the way for reconciliation and arrangement. Whether this purpose is effected depends upon the disposition with which advances are received. The time mentioned in the restraining order served upon Mr. John Keen will shortly expire, and it is certainly in every way desirable that the disagreement should be settled out of court. The bishop's presence may lead to that result.

Local Brevities.

The liberals of Kaslo, followers of Mr. Laurier, have arranged to meet on Wednesday evening of this week to form themselves into an association or club for the protection and advancement of the interests of the party to which they belong. It is understood that a large number of names has been appended to the call, including the names of the newly arrived who will renew here the party affiliations made elsewhere. Much political good is expected from the organization. The concert to be given by Madam Renard and Miss McKenzie, advertised for last Saturday night, did not come off. The ladies failed to make connections on some portion of their journey,

and the date was necessarily cancelled. They will return during the week and entertain the Kaslo public under different auspices.

The two young pugilists who exercised their art on the sand beach a few days ago somewhat illegally, appeared before the magistrate on Saturday last, owned up and were fined the sum of \$10 each. It was rather an expensive ending for their few moments of artistic exercise. The Kaslo band gave an open air concert on Saturday, and will repeat the performance at intervals during the season. Under the tuition of Professor Church its members are rapidly improving and will be able to give a good account of themselves when called upon.

The freight steamer Alberta brings in a considerable quantity of lumber from Buckeye and other points at each trip, and yet some of the buildings in process of construction are delayed for want of material with which to continue work. John Turner and Thomas Bryden, prominent builders and contractors, have been spending a few days in Kaslo, looking over the situation, and seem to be somewhat surprised at what they have seen and heard of the city's advancements and prospects. They will take in other points of the Kootenay before definitely deciding as to their future course.

The fire brigade had another practice on Monday evening. It is proposed to try each of the hydrants in turn so as to make sure that all are in good working condition.

The proprietors of the Adams house are preparing the foundation for an addition to their hotel equal in size to the present building.

THE NORWAY IMPROVING

Ore Body Has Widened Out to Two Feet Again.

Trail Squatters Are Worried Because They Do Not Hear From Delegates Orestes Percival Thompson.

TRAIL, April 22.—[Special.]—The ledge on the Norway, which belongs to the Bruce company, has widened out rapidly in the past few feet, and now is about two feet wide. The rock now being taken out is looking well. It is evidently carrying good copper values and specks of free gold are visible. The ore is free milling and concentrating.

The Norway is located on a bluff eight hundred feet above the west bank of the river, about a half mile south of town. The property is being worked by two men, who have a contract to drive the tunnel to a distance of 110 feet. They are now nearly 100 feet in.

Work was begun on an outcrop of the vein on the side of the hill, where there was an admirable tunnel sight. The adit has followed the vein, which runs nearly straight into the mountain. The ledge has varied in width from two feet to four or five inches. It narrowed to the latter width at about the 50-foot station, but since then it has steadily widened till it has reached a width of about two feet. The ledge is nearly vertical, between granite walls.

The managers are undecided whether to continue the tunnel or to start a shaft at the present contract is ended. At about 15 feet under ground the ledge widened out to a promising chimney, in which some fine specimens of free milling gold were discovered, and the company is thinking of starting a shaft at this point. There is considerable ore on the dump, and a mill test of 100 pounds a few days ago returned a value of over \$18 per ton.

A Quartz Creek Mine.

The Rosebud, a mile and a half up Quartz creek from the town of the same name, is now in 10 feet on the adit, and at that distance an assay of \$12 in gold has been obtained. The claim adjoins the Tennessee, as is also the same ledge. There is a 15-foot outcrop on the surface of white quartz impregnated with iron sulphide. The property is owned by D. Orr and F. G. Jordan of Trail, and E. E. Knowles of Spokane. Two men are at work.

Where Is Orestes Thompson?

Where, O where, is Orestes Percival Thompson? is the question that is troubling the minds of those who live up Dublin gulch. Orestes, it will be remembered by the mindful, is he who was sent to Victoria to represent the Trail squatters before the legislature. He left all right, and with him he took about \$1000 which had been subscribed to keep him in meat and drink while he labored with the legislators. Great things were expected of him, and it was the sanguine hope of the squatters to see him come tripping airily home laden with crown grants for the property of all those who had subscribed to send him on his mission.

That was about two months ago, and since then the squatters have searched the papers in vain for a symposium on Orestes' eloquence when he appeared before the legislature. But the symposium has not appeared, and there is a lurking suspicion in the minds of some that the speech was never made. The letters have been received from him since his departure, but they were exceedingly vague, and of late nothing has been heard.

And now the squatters are wondering where he is, or when he will return with those crown grants for the contested property. They long to see his face again and to hear from his own lips the tales of his adventures. Falling in which they would be thankful for pro rata return of the expense money with which he was provided.

What the Squatters Want.

The present status of the squatters, fight seems to be about like this: The squatters up the gulch want to buy the property on which they are located. The land has been set aside for a railroad reserve for the Columbia & Western road. It has not yet been surveyed off, but without doubt Mr. Heintze will include it in the land he will claim, though as yet he has not put himself on record as intending to possess himself of the property. Now the squatters want the government to withdraw the populated portion of the gulch from the reserve, plat it into a townsite, and give the present occupants a chance to purchase the land on which they are residing. It was to secure such legislation that the squatters sent Mr. Thompson to Victoria.

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A SNUB FOR KELLIE

Nelson & Fort Sheppard Bill Went Through in Committee.

THE GOVERNMENT STAND

Railway Company Complied With the Law in Selecting Its Lands—Cassiar Central Bill Passed Its Second Reading—Others Advanced a Stage.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

VICTORIA, April 23.—In committee the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway bill furnished a somewhat lively time in the house today, the chief characteristics being an attack on the road and the presentation of several affidavits from miners saying that the railway had wrongfully made them pay for the privilege of using timber on their own claims.

Premier Turner in explanation of what had come up yesterday on the land grant, said that the man showed that no land had been granted in the Yale district to the railway, and with respect to alternate blocks in Kootenay there were five blocks altogether and consequently two of them would have to be taken together and the government has considered it would be better to give the road the land out of these alternate blocks, than to have the company go all over the province for land.

Kellie and Williams claimed that the surveys had been manipulated so that the government retained no land along the railway. Baker replied that the government had acted in a fair and reasonable manner, so as to give the railway its grant of 10,240 acres per mile.

By this Williams argued that it was not necessary to give the railway that much, and Pooley, who took the same line as Turner and Baker, maintained that it would have been undesirable for the railway to go all over West Kootenay to take up land.

Kellie next presented affidavits from several miners, saying that the company had used the timber of their claims and had forced them to buy the timber if they wanted to use it. He wanted the attorney general to prosecute the company and made a general attack upon it. In reply to this Eberts wanted to know why, if these men considered themselves injured, they had not laid a complaint before the courts under the ordinary course of law. If a company took a man's property wrongfully the individual could appeal to the courts.

Dr. Walkem was surprised, if the miners had considered the company was imposing upon them, that they did not lay a complaint in the courts. Eberts voted with the government for the bill and against the opposition. He made a comical explanation of his vote, saying in his dry Scotch way, without a smile, that he voted for the bill because he did not think it fair to punish the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway because circumstances had compelled it to be associated with the misdoings of the government. The bill went through the committee stage.

There was a good deal of opposition shown to the second reading of the Cassiar Central Railway Aid bill. Turner, in moving the second reading, said that the building of the road would open up the Cassiar country, which at present is very hard to get into and would really encourage prospectors as well as bring in to the government a revenue from the lease to the company. Semlin and other members of the opposition opposed it on the grounds that it would really prevent miners from going in, as they would not want to have the railway company for a sleeping partner in their claims.

The government replied that this only applied to the leased land stipulated in the bill, and that there was an immense stretch of country open to miners in the usual way. The bill was given a second reading by 19 to 9.

Other Bills Acted On.

The Canada Western bill, extending the time for commencing the expenditure to hold its charter, was read a second time without division. The Barker-ville, Ashcroft and Kamloops bill was given a third reading. The Kootenay Power & Light company's bill was reported complete with amendments. The second reading was given to the Mining Inspector bill, the Grand Forks Power & Light company's bill and the Revelstoke Water Works bill. The Revelstoke inspector bill is to be amended in the committee by the addition of rules and regulations.

DUN'S TRADE REVIEW.

Effect of the Turco-Grecian War Upon the World's Markets. New York, April 23.—R. G. Dun & Co., in their weekly review of trade, will say: If either Turkey or Greece had been wholly buried in the sea, markets might have been affected less than by the outbreak of war in Europe. Like a fire in the heart of a crowded city it raises the question whether a general conflagration may spring out of it. To this possibility and not to the direct influence of either Turkey or Greece upon the world's money or produce markets, was due the excitement in grain and stocks, as the unknown is magnified. American markets were much more flighty than European, where the possibilities have been discussed and partly discounted for months. But the uncertainty remains and will affect movements of money and staples until it disappears, creating a larger demand for American products at higher prices, causing a hasty speculative selling of securities at times, but also more continuous buying by foreign investors and not improbably influencing the attitude of foreign powers on questions important to this country.

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ROSSLAND MUST RUSTLE.

The Le Roi company has definitely decided to build a smelter and concentrator and to build both at once. These plants will be of large capacity and will involve an expenditure of at least \$300,000. They will give employment to a large force of men. This enterprise can be secured for Kootenay or it can be lost to Canada. Whether it is instituted on this side of the international boundary line or not depends wholly on the provincial government, the Red Mountain railway and the citizens of Rossland.

The situation at the present time is just this. Both proposed sites, Northport and Sheep creek, are on the Red Mountain railway, so that it is useless to expect that corporation, which is an international one, to exert itself or make any particular concessions to secure the location of the plant in Canada. Indeed, it would seem that owing to the longer haul of the ore its interests would be best subserved by having the plant at Northport.

For these reasons, therefore, the securing of this great industry to Canada must rest mainly with the provincial government and the people of Rossland. The citizens of Northport are moving heaven and earth to secure the erection of the plants in their town. They have offered the Le Roi company a water right and half the townsite as a bonus. We, on the other hand, have done nothing. Such supineness on the part of our citizens should continue no longer. There is too much at stake. Steps should be taken to at least secure for the Le Roi company free of cost the desired site and water power on Sheep creek on this side of the line. With that end in view the board of trade, the ratepayers' association or the citizens in mass meeting should appoint a committee to secure from the government and the railroad company the site and water right in question.

There is of course a potent argument in favor of the erection of the smelter in the province which it is well to bear in mind, but which should only be used as a last resource, for the reason that it will inflict a hardship on every mine owner in Kootenay and more particularly on the owners of the smaller shipping mines. We refer of course to the proposal to put an export duty on ore. This proposal is only in the air at present, but the erection of a smelter by the Le Roi company, or any other company operating a mine in the province, just across the boundary line would at once bring this issue to the front as a question of practical politics. We believe firmly that in spite of the hardships it would entail on other innocent mine owners such an export tax would be promptly imposed by the Dominion government if the Le Roi reduction works were erected in the United States, but we should regard it as a calamity if such action had to be taken.

It would be much better for all parties concerned if the provincial government and citizens of Rossland could secure the location of the plant on this side of the line by giving the Le Roi company a chance to build without enhancing the cost too much. It owes a good deal to the province, but it should not be compelled to stand a heavy loss for sentimental reasons. Let Rossland rustle and make it an object to the Le Roi to build in this province, either on Sheep creek or at some other point which it may consider suitable, Northport not being the only smelter site on the Columbia river accessible by rail.

THE RAILROAD LAND GRANT.

It is said there is a petition in circulation for signatures asking Mayor Scott to call a mass meeting to protest against any extension of time to the Nelson and Fort Sheppard railway to complete the survey and selection of lands granted to it by the province in consideration of the construction of the railway from Waneta to Nelson. The individuals who sign this call should have a clear understanding of what they are doing. The people of this province entered into a contract with certain capitalists, agreeing to give them a bonus of 20,000 acres of land for each mile of this road, provided it was built within a certain specified time. The road was built within the specified time, was inspected by engineers representing both the Dominion and Provincial governments, and the land grant was therefor earned. To enable the railroad company to

make its selections and to prevent individuals from doing what J. N. Blake and his associates are now trying to do, namely, to acquire the choice spots within the area where the granted lands must be selected in alternate blocks of six miles by 16 miles, the government placed a reserve on these lands. This reserve is still in force, and consequently no individual can make a filing on any portion of it.

Every fair-minded man will admit that the railroad company has earned its bonus. It has opened up a tract of country which at the time of its construction did not contain a single producing mine and whose total population did not exceed 200. The land was then valueless. Nobody would have given the railroad company so small a sum as \$50,000 for its entire land grant, even two years after the railroad was built. Now that it has become valuable a lot of land sharks, who did not contribute one iota to the development of the country, are trying to work up an agitation to beat the railroad company out of it. We do not believe they have the sympathies of the people of Rossland.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

ROSSLAND'S citizens can do a better day's work for themselves and the province than by securing the location of the Le Roi's smelter and concentrator on Sheep creek. We cannot afford to have this plant go to the United States and we should make it a point to have it as near Rossland as possible.

J. N. BLAKE and his associates have no more right or title to the townsite of Quartz Creek than has the writer. They never can get any right or title except by purchase from the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company, and every squatter in Quartz Creek will be entitled to preference over them as regards the lots which they have improved.

An American exchange refers to the Clondyke diggings as "Alaska placers." It will now be in order for some Canadian paper to refer to Spokane as a British Columbian city. For the information of our American contemporary we might state that Clondyke is in the Yukon district of the Northwest Territories of Canada and as far from Alaska as Spokane is from British Columbia.

The government has taken the proper stand in the matter of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway's land grant. The land subsidy was honestly earned by the construction of the road before the miners, who are kicking about having to pay for the timber, came to Kootenay. If they had staked their mineral claims before the railway was built they would own surface, timber and all.

THE disputes and trouble which have arisen from the granting of lands in mining districts to railroad companies should convince the provincial government that cash subsidies are preferable to land subsidies in aid of railways. We have learnt by this time that such bonuses, while they look exceedingly cheap when they are granted, usually prove very dear to the public in the end.

MINISTER FIELDING has succeeded in framing just such a tariff policy as Canada wants. The desire for closer trade relations with the United States has been killed by the attitude of the last two American congresses towards the Dominion. The new budget takes cognizance of this change of sentiment while leaving the way open to the United States to avail herself of the lower rates of duties any time she desires to reciprocate.

THE Evening Dodger now has its editorials, like its telegraph news, free of cost. The latter it steals from the columns of THE MINER without credit. The former are contributed by J. N. Blake, and the law points he raises would make a horse laugh.

J. B. POWELL is one of the parties who has had the gall to put up a notice on the townsite of Quartz Creek warning people not to trespass on his property. If he has since sold his interest in the jumpers' alleged title he is none the less a jumper along with J. N. Blake and the rest of the gang.

A MEMBER OF THE MINER'S staff has just returned from a trip to Nelson and Kaslo. He was astonished at the rapid growth of both cities, and though only in each a few hours, he saw enough to satisfy him that they will make still greater strides this summer. The characteristic note on all sides was confidence in the country. The new town of Quartz Creek is also growing by leaps and bounds and promises to be one of the most important centres in Kootenay before the snow settles down for another winter.

THE Victorian Times says: "It would be harsh treatment to decree the forfeiture of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard land grant because of the failure of the company to complete the survey in the time specified." It adds that "as Mr. Corbin is standing in the position of one who asks a favor, the province can justly ask fair concessions in return." This is the most sensible and honest expression we have read yet regarding this matter. Mr. Corbin is entitled to his land grant, but since he neglected to survey it all, within the time specified in the act, he should either be required to make some concessions to the public or forfeit the balance of his grant.

All but a small portion, and that the least valuable, of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard railway's land grant has been

surveyed and selected and some of it has long ago been crown granted to the company. All the land that the railroad company claims in the vicinity of Rossland was crown granted long ago. The block in which is situated the town of Quartz Creek, while it has not been crown granted so far as we know, will be crown granted to the railroad company very shortly, since it was surveyed and selected before the date mentioned in the act, April 1, 1897.

THE GRAND PRIZE CASE

Full Text of Justice McColl's Decision For the Defendant.

Defect in Location if Any, Cured by Record of Assessment—Jumper's Conduct Stigmatized as Impudent.

NELSON, April 24. [Special.]—The Hon. Mr. Justice McColl has handed down the following decision in the case of Charles E. Waterman vs. Charles Litchfield, which will be found to be of considerable importance to miners generally:

The Grand Prize mineral claim was recorded on the 9th of June, 1894, by one McDougall. A certificate of work was issued on the 3rd of June, 1895. The defendant on the 27th of March 1896, purchased the claim for \$4,700. Another certificate of work was issued on the 1st of June, 1896. The plaintiff having ascertained these facts, (except the amount of the purchase money) from Mr. Kirkup, the mining recorder, and from searching the records of the defendant's office, and while the defendant was in actual occupation of, and was actively engaged in working the claim, as the plaintiff then himself saw, proceeded to locate the ground as another claim by the name of the Buffalo Bill Fraction on the 24th of July, 1896, and recorded it on the next following day in his own name.

In the affidavit required by subsection (c) of section 17 of the Mineral Act, 1896, the plaintiff, instead of stating his belief that the ground applied for was "unoccupied by any other person as a mineral claim," stated that in his belief it was not "lawfully" so occupied. The plaintiff claims the right to make his location because it is alleged that the outside limits of that claim, at the time of the location of the Grand Prize, the only claim located adjoining it was the Deer Park, which, however, was not then surveyed.

I can place no reliance upon the testimony of the plaintiff, or that of Bleeker, who gave the unsatisfactory way in which they gave their evidence; nor can I accept the evidence of George Ellis as satisfactory upon the question of distances, as it does not appear that he measured them.

Mr. Kirk, a land surveyor, called for the plaintiff, had not seen either No. 1 or No. 2 post, but he was able to speak as to their situation by referring to the field notes of the Grand Prize mineral claim which were produced. The way in which the Grand Prize was located in itself shows the desire of the locator to avoid infringing upon the ground of the Deer Park claim, the exact boundaries of which he did not know, as it had not then been surveyed, and it is quite consistent with the exercise of reasonable care on his part that the No. 1 post should, upon a survey, be found where it was. The record of the Grand Prize states it to be situated north of and adjoining the Deer Park claim. The other posts were, upon the survey, found to be upon what were then waste lands of the crown. Mr. Kirk himself says it is impossible for a prospector to locate a claim accurately, owing to the roughness of the ground, and admits that an error of 100 to 200 feet might happen.

I am of opinion that the defects referred to were, in the circumstances of this case, such as were cured by the certificates of work issued. I think, however, that the ground comprised within the limits of the Grand Prize claim, being actually occupied and being actively worked by the defendant under his title to it at the time of the location was not open to location by the plaintiff or any other person.

The point is an important one, which, so far as I am aware, has never before arisen, and I regret that I have not had the advantage of hearing argument upon it. Reference was not even made to it at the trial.

I think it clear that the circumstances of this case constitute an occupation within the meaning of the act—even assuming the location to be defective, and though ordinarily occupation may be found to consist of a valid location and record under the act. In the latter case it is intelligible that, for the purposes of the compliance with the provisions of the act, there can be no real occupation. But in the former case it is difficult to see—whatever may be the rights of the crown, or of a lawful occupant, for other than mining purposes—how another person can enter upon the ground for the purpose of acquiring a mineral claim. Such person cannot locate a claim upon the same ground without entry; and the previous actual occupation of the ground surely entitled the occupant to hold it, except as against someone having a better title, which such other person not having at the time of entry, manifestly cannot get in these circumstances without committing a trespass.

Do not think the act should be so construed as to permit of the acquisition of a claim in the way contended for. It is not consistent with any general principle of law. It is, I think, not in accordance with the policy of the act. If permitted, it might, and probably would, lead to violence with results of the most serious character.

I think that the plaintiff's attempt (which I cannot help characterizing as a most impudent one) to deprive the defendant of a claim which I find was located with a bona fide attempt to comply with the law, merely because of alleged defects which could mislead no one, fails, and the action is dismissed with costs.

The owners of the Black Jack claim on Murphy creek left for their property yesterday morning with a pack train and two extra men. The four intended putting in a summer's work upon their claim, on which a shaft 30 feet in depth has already been driven.

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Assay made by WM. J. TRETHEWAY, E. M., Kaslo.

Table with columns: DATE, DESCRIPTION, Silver, oz., Lead per cent. Row: Oct. 23, 1896, Galena, (tunnel).

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QUEEN CITY GOSSIP

Prospectors Beginning to Hustle in the Ainsworth District.

STRIKES AND TRANSFERS

Long Sought For Ledge Found Opposite Ainsworth—High Grade Ore in the Surprise and Sunset—Notes of City and District.

KASLO, April 22.—[Special.]—Although the snow on the mountain sides has scarcely begun to diminish, and the hills are yet far from being bared to view, the activity of the prospector in the Ainsworth mining division appears in the number of claims recorded in the office of the mining recorder in this city. No less than 36 of these records have been made during the week ending the 21st instant, even though two legal holidays have intervened on which the office was closed. These locations are in every part of the mining division from the head to the foot of Kootenay lake, on both sides, and on various branches of the south fork of Kaslo river.

Big Find Opposite Ainsworth. For several years boulders of high grade ore have been found from time to time on the east side of Kootenay lake, almost opposite the town of Ainsworth, but all efforts to locate the ledge proved futile. It is now understood that a prospector succeeded in finding it towards the close of last week. It is said to show six feet between the walls, which are well defined. Average specimens of the ore taken from the property assayed 245 ounces in silver. The result has been that a large number has visited the locality from Ainsworth and extensions have already been staked. Some of the claims have been recorded and others will doubtless soon appear upon the books, as over 50 people were reported to have gone to the vicinity on Saturday and Sunday last.

The various owners of interests in the First Chance, Hillside, Galt and R. E. Adams mineral claims, situated in the vicinity of Whitewater station, on the Kaslo & Slocan railway, have transferred their holdings to the Hillside Silver Mining Company. These owners are G. Behrman, Ed. Dumey, F. M. Fortin, W. Pfeifer, E. C. Ward, F. R. Townsend, T. M. Cameron, and P. G. Nash. Development work upon the properties is being prosecuted under Ed. Dumey as foreman.

W. R. Ramsdell, of Kalispell, Montana, has transferred to E. T. Bayles as trustee for the White Grouse Mining Company, the Belle and Anaconda Fraction mineral claims, situated in White Grouse mountain.

Repudiate Clarridge's Bond.

Some time since it was noted in this correspondence that Tom Clarridge had acquired by a cleverly worded document an almost unconditional option upon the Almeda and Sir Charles mineral claims, lying in the Jackson basin. It has since been reported that this option was assigned to a third party, but there is no official record of the assignment. Now, however, the owners of the claims, George Smith, D. L. Smith and P. G. Byrne, record a document asserting that the document was obtained from them by Clarridge without consideration, and does not represent the real agreement between the parties, and that neither the terms of the recorded document nor formed wholly or in part. They assert, therefore, that all rights of Clarridge and his assigns are at an end. How far the claims of Clarridge and his assigns may be affected by this later record will doubtless be a question for the courts to decide.

Surprise and Sunset.

Encouraging news, if such were needed, is constantly being received concerning many of the Slocan properties. The latest is that in the lowest tunnel of the Surprise, 300 feet down on the dip of the lead, an ore body had been struck which assayed 244 ounces of silver to the ton and 74 per cent lead. Manager Smith will have this property opened up to 15-foot ledge, of which about four feet carry galena and grey copper, and 11 feet are of lime spar carrying grey copper. Specimens from the galena show an assay of 125 ounces of silver, and in the spar the grey copper gave a return of 2,500 ounces in silver to the ton. These samples were taken from the bottom of the shaft. There would seem to be a fortune in sight for the lucky owners, and W. H. Egbert was naturally pleased when he left for home Wednesday evening.

Local Brevities.

George White, a bruiser of some local notoriety, got drunk on Monday night, and undertook to terrorize the town. He was lodged in the cooler by an unaided policeman, despite his loudly repeated boasting of the inability of the force to take him. On Wednesday Police Magistrate Chipman imposed a fine of \$20, which was paid after an appeal to outside friends. The jag was therefore costly, apart from the crest-fallen appearance begotten of the night's incarceration.

The sunken steamer Ainsworth has been raised sufficiently to be towed from her exposed position into Kaslo bay, where she will be hauled out and put in good condition. A chapter of Royal Arch Masonry will shortly be organized in Kaslo, probably within the ensuing month. The requisition was signed by a dozen companions, and a dispensation in accordance therewith has been granted by the grand chapter of Canada. The necessary paraphernalia has been ordered, and is daily

expected to arrive. The chapter will be organized by Henry H. Watson, assisted by William Downie and perhaps others. The new chapter will be officially known as Kootenay chapter, and will probably meet on the second Tuesday in each month. It will begin work under most favorable auspices, as a considerable number of applicants for companionship are promised.

Some active young men of the city propose to organize a tennis club. A preliminary meeting was held the other evening at which the proposal was endorsed and a committee appointed to consider the most feasible kind of court to be adopted. Ground has been secured for the purpose, and the energy of the young men who have the affair in hand is sufficient for its success.

Potatoes and Lumber Scarce.

For several days the city has been suffering from a potato famine. Not a pound of the esculent tuber was on sale in any of the provision stores. The provident hotel keepers who had a stock on hand were happy, while the less far seeing restaurant keepers were in despair. A steamer on the Kootenay would have prevented the difficulty, but none has been running. Relief will, however, be speedily afforded.

The bus hitherward would seem to have commenced as the Kokanee on Tuesday evening had 78 passengers on board. Every hotel and lodging house in the city was filled to its utmost capacity, and many were compelled to rest as best they could, unroomed.

Several booms of logs have recently been towed down the Kootenay river, and now Kaslo bay is well filled with a quantity sufficient to keep the Kootenay Lake saw mill steadily at work for some time, while the output is consumed as fast as produced, and an additional quantity is brought in almost every day.

Tuesday's mail from Rossland must have come by way of Robson, as the train on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard failed to connect with the steamer at Five Mile point. The copies of THE MINER coming by mail were duly received, but the express parcel was missing.

Real Estate Active.

The plans for the new building which the government has provided to be used by the collector at this point, will be prepared at the department of lands and works in Victoria. It is expected to be a substantial structure and of good appearance. The present office will be removed to the rear of the lot on which it stands to make room for the new building.

A movement is on foot to raise funds to grade and fence the grounds for the new school house by subscription and otherwise so that the entire appropriation may be available for the building itself.

The movement in real estate still continues active and many lots are changing hands, not so much apparently for speculative purposes as for building. Some Victoria builders have secured a site on Front street and will erect a building for warehouse purposes. It is also said that they are looking for a desirable location for a series of tenement houses, neat and convenient, but not expensive.

MINING DEALS IN SLOCAN

Chapleau Bonded For \$30,000 by Hall Exploration Company.

Deal On For the Young Bear Group at the Same Figure—Galena Farm's Big Strike Confirmed.

NEW DENVER, April 21.—[Special.]—In spite of the fact that this has been the quietest week in mining circles for many months past, owing, no doubt, to the dangerous condition of the mountain trails and the impossibility of an inspection of properties, yet a few deals of considerable magnitude have been pushed off, and many others are well under way.

The Chapleau, a property situated on the divide between Lemon and Springer creeks, adjoining the Ranger, was transferred to the Hall Exploration syndicate, the purchase price being \$30,000. A deal is on for the Young Bear group, on Ten Mile creek, the price offered being \$30,000.

C. F. Neilson, a Rossland mining expert, was here the early part of the week to report on the Producer and adjoining claims on the Galena Farm for G. A. Yerex, who is here today closing the deal on these properties, by which he gets them for \$6,000, half down.

The late strike in the Currie shaft is proving to be all that was reported of it. It is said some of the finest ore is being taken out that has ever been shown in the Slocan.

An open cut on the neglected, adjoining the property of R. C. Campbell-Johnston on the lake shore close to town, has uncovered a stringer of quartz, assaying high in silver with a good showing of gold and copper.

A big strike is reported on the Iron Horse on Ten Mile creek. The Enterprise ledge was reached by a 235-foot cross cut, the vein being the same as the Enterprise in every particular.

Work on the Two Friends has suspended, owing to the bad trail leading to it and the impossibility of getting supplies in.

A. G. Ferguson has thrown up the bond on the Dalhousie. A tunnel has been run on the property for a distance of 400 feet.

Now that lumber is arriving again regularly, work on the buildings under construction is being hard pushed, and in a few weeks New Denver will have three new business blocks that would be a credit to any city in West Kootenay.

May 24 is the date set for the new C. P. R. boat Slocan to make her initial trip on the lake. The building of wharves, warehouses, etc., at the various lake points goes slowly forward.

Billy Smith, a pioneer of the Slocan, died at the hospital here Sunday night of an abscess of the brain. He was buried Monday afternoon, under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias. Monday morning another death occurred, that of J. A. Stewart, late arrival in the Slocan from Seattle, where he was engaged in the commission business.

Coming North On Business.

SPOKANE Wash., April 23.—[Special.]—P. E. Battin, manager of the Portland Mining & Development company, is in the city en route to the north in the interest of the company he represents.

LEAPED TO HIS DEATH.

A Young Man Plunges Into the Niagara River.

NIAGARA FALLS, April 23.—Another mystery has been added to the long list that attaches to the Niagara river. At 11:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon a young man, apparently about 22 years old, jumped from the upper suspension bridge into the boiling waters of the river. Up to 6 o'clock this evening no trace of the body had been found.

All that is known of the suicide is what is told by David Nickerson, one of the pioneer hackmen. He says that at noon, while he was driving across the bridge between the main shore and Bath Island, he was stopped by a young man and employed to drive him across the suspension bridge to Canada. The young fellow was of medium size and build, and had on a dark coat and vest and light trousers, and a light brown derby hat. He was fair of face and had a sandy-colored mustache and sandy hair.

The young stranger entered the carriage and was driven across the reservation over Riverway to the suspension bridge. At the toll-house Nickerson stopped and the collector came out for the toll money. The young man fumbled in his pockets and found 19 cents. Then Nickerson said he had left his money in the hotel. Nickerson paid the toll and resumed the journey. The young fellow sat in the carriage in an abstracted mood until half way across the bridge. Then he jumped out of the carriage upon the railing of the bridge and saying, "Good-by, old man!" he leaped off.

That was the beginning and end of the tragedy. No one saw the body strike the water. The hat the young man wore was all the identification mark left by him. It blew off his head on the bridge and is now in the hands of the police. The hat had a Boston trademark in it. A visit about the hotels did not result in finding any clue to the young man's identity.

The bridge at the point from which the jump was made is 190 feet above the water.

Since the bridge was built in 1869 four men have committed suicide from it, one of them being Dr. Stone of New York. This makes the tenth suicide in and about the reservation during the last five years.

David Nickerson, the hackman who drove the man to his death, is over 70 years old. He said this afternoon that an evil spirit seems to pursue him. The other day he drove two women about the reservation for an hour. After they left his carriage he found a pocket-book belonging to one of them. It contained \$2,300 in money. He returned it to the woman and she gave him \$2, and said she was glad to have proof that Niagara Falls hackmen were honest. On top of this comes the suicide of the unknown man today, and Nickerson, being superstitious, fears bad luck has come to him.

It is thought that the man who jumped from the bridge is a Batavia bartender, who was in town yesterday under the influence of liquor. No one knew his name, but one man thinks it was McCaffery.

WINNIPEG NEWS NOTES.

Wheat and the Tariff—Big Crop Expected—Manitoba Elections. Winnipeg, Man., April 23.—In discussing the tariff changes, the local grain dealers say the reduction of the duty on flour will put an end to the payment of fancy prices for wheat. They think Manitoba farmers will be losers as a consequence.

To meet the demands of increased traffic the C. P. R. is putting on an extra train between Winnipeg and Fort William.

Section is now general in many districts of Manitoba. This has been a season of unusual moisture, and much moisture is always productive of good crops. There are indications of a very large increase in acreage.

Mr. Sifton left for the west this morning, and from now until the election on Tuesday, he will be engaged working for Mr. Rutherford. The Winnipeg election contest seems to be altogether one-sided in favor of the government candidate, having practically no opposition.

The police commissioners have decided to equip the city detectives with bicycles.

CITIZENS' TICKET RATIFIED.

Nominations Unanimously Adopted at a Mass Meeting. SPOKANE, Wash., April 23.—[Special.]—The committee of four citizens meeting here to report to the mass convention of citizens, in Music hall tonight, presenting for ratification the ticket as previously reported in THE MINER. The report was unanimously adopted by the convention, amid the wildest cheering. The only platform upon which the ticket will go before the people is the following, adopted by the convention:

"Resolved, That this meeting indorse the nominees without regard to politics or religion, and only pledge them to an honest endeavor to give us a clean, vigorous and economical administration for the best interests of all the people of Spokane, and we have placed the various candidates in nomination, believing that they will in spirit carry out these principles."

A DISASTROUS EXPERIMENT. Huber's Raft Scheme Almost Causes Loss of Life at Spokane. SPOKANE, Wash., April 23.—[Special.]—City Engineer Huber's plan to float a raft over the big dam at the water works and anchor it in the current on the apron of the dam and then sink it with rocks, proved a failure yesterday and narrowly evaded doing much damage.

The raft was easily torn from the heavy cables used to sink it, and was tearing down the river, fortunately doing no harm. The experiment cost the city considerable money and nearly resulted in the loss of the lives of five workmen. The river continues to rise, but not so rapidly as it did. It is now within a foot of the high water mark of three years ago, when the eastern part of the city was flooded.

LITIGATION OVER AN ESTATE.

Action at Spokane Against E. C. Houghton by A. M. Cannon's Widow. SPOKANE, Wash., April 23.—[Special.]—Before Judge Richardson today the widow of the late A. M. Cannon applied for an order to show cause why E. C. Houghton, executor for her husband's estate, should not pay her the money ordered paid to her by the court. The deceased left an estate valued between \$50,000 and \$50,000. Debts against the estate now amount to \$75,000. A month time ago Mr. Houghton was ordered to pay the widow \$4,500 and \$200 monthly. This he refuses to do as he has only \$6,000 on hand, and there are debts to be paid. The case is still being argued.

Northport News Notes.

NORTHPORT, Wash., April 23.—[Special.]—Rossland was well represented in Northport on Tuesday by a number of attorneys and others going to Nelson to attend court.

William F. Hughes, Northport's postmaster, is arranging to put his own property on the market.

Buildings are being erected in all parts of town and people are occupying them as fast as they are completed.

The ferry men who have lived in little cottages near the river are moving up on the bench. The water is crowding them out of their homes. Justice of the Peace Dawson yesterday inflicted fines of \$70 and \$50 on two men named Ross and Lyons.

Millionaire Colgate Dead.

NEW YORK, April 23.—Samuel Colgate, multi-millionaire and head of the great soap and perfume house of Samuel Colgate & Co., died today.

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KELLIE AN Former Says the Earned His MADE A BIT Debate Adjourned Truth—An Am Surface Rights Oppose Exclusion [From our Special VICTORIA, April 23.—Fort Sheppard rail for a second reading lent attack on it, say had no right to gra outside of the prov Subsidy act, by giv blocks instead of a said Corbin had no provisions of the La had, by making m timber on their clai son & Fort Shepp (General Eberts ad and maps will be c how the land has be Kellie will move sert a clause giving all timber on claim purposes, and fore sell surface rights per acre to miners. Mineral Act Business is going legislature, not muc in talk. The Grand and Greenwood Cit were reported by the mittee yesterday a proved, and Kellie drew his Wide Fire The second readin and Mineral Act Ar ried. Baker, while amendments gener act, said that some of land should not s ton, in regard to entry on private la that security should at once instead of a clause put in prohi subject to mining claims; this, saying the gov consent. Hume spoke very provision exempting Braden, however, o as there were two Canadian there sho getting a tax out of Land Grant on On the report of bill, an amendmen in, making the lan ways for townsite Another amendmen the effect that if H bonus for building t tions to Boundary subject to his givin of the Columbia & miles between Pent Creek. The bill th a third time, and a Bill amendment b committee. TWO MORE B Peculiar Provis Grant in Aid of VICTORIA, April presented two ver bills tonight. One the commencement diture of 200,000 by railway, to hold it 1st, 1896, to June 2 grants and to the way by leasing to exceeding 10,240 a mile built, to be d years of the pass payment to the m of one-half per c of all previous m a year on each transfer of a cla feet of lumber, an wood. Free mine on the lands to m such claims to bel tenants in comm reserves also a ro on coal. CATHOLIC QUE Monigneur Merr Foreshadow MONTREAL, Qu World's correspon ple who appear to talking about de Merry Del Val's re First—The gov and Manitoba sh come here to sett Second—Protes his mission to Ca Third—The bis and are not inter tions where relig Fourth—It is t loe after and to religious educat Fifth—The so-c Manitoba school able to the Cath Sixth—The c mends the spi clergy to abstain to men or to pu in the pulpit. THE BON Francis' Repor tion—Good OTTAWA, Ont., response.—J report has be ward Farrar, at the mittee on inte United States, o lega." Mr. Pa from the officia government an companies who It starts with commerce and United States



### KELLIE AND CORBIN

Former Says the Latter Has Not Earned His Land Grant.

### MADE A BITTER ATTACK

Debate Adjourned to Ascertain the Truth—An Amendment Regarding Surface Rights—Government Will Oppose Exclusion of Aliens.

[From our Special Correspondent.]  
VICTORIA, April 22.—The Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway bill coming up for a second reading, Kellie made a violent attack on it, saying the government had no right to grant Corbin any land outside of the provisions of the Land Subsidy act, by giving him eight solid blocks instead of alternate ones. He said Corbin had not complied with the provisions of the Land Subsidy act, and had, by making miners pay for holding timber on their claims, violated the Nelson & Fort Sheppard act. Attorney General Eberts adjourned the debate, and mess will be consulted to see just how the land has been granted.

Kellie will move in committee to insert a clause giving miners the right to all timber on claims taken for mining purposes, and forcing the company to sell surface rights at not more than \$5 per acre to miners.

### Mineral Act Amendments.

Business is going on rapidly in the legislature, not much time being wasted in talk. The Grand Forks Water Power and Greenwood City Water Works bills were reported by the private bills committee yesterday as having preambles proved, and Kellie, by consent, withdrew his Wide Tire act.

The second reading of Smith's Placer and Mineral Act Amendment bills carried. Baker, while commenting on the amendments generally to the Mineral act, said that some care must be taken in committee to see that large amounts of land should not be locked up in the hands of private lands, thought it fair that security should be given the owner at once instead of waiting till the owner demanded it. Foster was for having a clause put in prohibiting aliens taking up mining claims; but Baker opposed this, saying the government would not consent.

Hume spoke very much in favor of the provision exempting mere workmen from paying a miner's license. Braden, however, objected, saying that as there were two alien miners to one Canadian there should be some means of getting a tax out of the aliens.

### Land Grant or Cash Subsidy.

On the report of the Railway Loan bill, an amendment by Sword was put in, making the lands reserved by railways for townsites subject to taxation.

Another amendment was also inserted to the effect that if Heinze was given the bonus for building the railway from Penitentiary to Boundary Creek, it should be subject to his giving up the land grant of the Columbia & Western for the 100 miles between Penitentiary and Boundary Creek. The bill thus amended was read a third time and passed. The School Bill Amendment bill passed through the committee.

### TWO MORE RAILWAY BILLS.

### Peculiar Provisions of a Proposed Grant in Aid of the Cassiar Central.

[From our Special Correspondent.]

VICTORIA, April 22.—Premier Turner presented two very important railway bills tonight. One extends the time of the commencement of the yearly expenditure of 200,000 by the Canada Western railway, to hold its charter, from May 1st, 1896, to June 22, 1898. The second grants aid to the Cassiar Central railway by leasing to them for 50 years not exceeding 10,240 acres per mile for each mile built, to be designated within seven years of the passage of the act. The payment to the government is to be one and one-half per cent on the net returns of all previous metals taken out, \$50,000 on each claim, \$100 for each transfer of a claim, 50 cents per 1,000 feet of lumber, and 25 cents per cord of wood. Free miners are entitled to enter on the lands to mine, one-half share of such claims to belong to the company as tenants in common. The government reserves also a royalty of 5 cents per ton on coal.

### CATHOLIC QUESTION IN CANADA.

### Monsignor Merry Del Val's Report Foreshadowed at Montreal.

MONTREAL, Que., April 22.—The World's correspondent says today: People who appear to know what they are talking about declare that Monsignor Merry Del Val's report will be as follows: First—The governments of Canada and Manitoba did not invite him to come here to settle the school question. Second—Protestants completely ignore his mission to Canada.

Third—The bishops did not interfere and are not interfering in political questions where religion has no right to play.

Fourth—It is the duty of bishops to look after and to protect the morals and religious education of Catholic children.

Fifth—The so-called settlement of the Manitoba school question is not acceptable to the Catholic conscience.

Sixth—The delegate strongly recommends the episcopacy and Catholic clergy to abstain from making allusions to men or to purely political questions in the pulpit.

### THE BONDING SYSTEM.

### Francis' Report Favors its Continuation—Good in Both Countries.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 17.—[Special correspondence.]—A very able and interesting report has been prepared by Mr. Edward Farrar, the well known Canadian journalist, at the instance of the committee on interstate commerce of the United States, on "The Bonding Privilege." Mr. Farrar procured his data from the official reports of the Canadian government and from those railway companies who use the bonding system. It starts with the treaty of amity, commerce and navigation, between the United States and England in 1794,

which provided that no duties should be paid on goods which were merely carried over the portages or carrying places on either side for the purpose of being immediately re-embarked and carried to some other place. This was the germ of the bonding system as it stands today. As the development of the country progressed the system became more intricate. In 1845 the United States passed legislation granting the use of American ports in winter for the export of produce from Canada to Europe. On the first enlargement of the Welland canal in 1850 and the opening of the Williamsburg canal in 1857 the United States was permitted by Canada to send its products in bond by the lakes and the St. Lawrence to Montreal and to bring return cargoes free of duty. In 1875 the government of Upper and Lower Canada passed a law permitting the carrying of goods in bond by railway from one place in the United States across Canada to other places in the United States. Both countries saw the advantage of an arrangement of this kind.

The border traffic for the sake of convenience is divided into the foreign and domestic transit trade. The treaty of Washington in 1871 guarantee, both the foreign and domestic transit trade for certain periods. According to the interpretation of Canada the guarantee still applies to the foreign but has ceased in regard to the domestic, which is carried on simply by legislation passed by the two countries prior to the treaty. The construction of the Canadian Pacific railway has lessened the amount of foreign transit trade done by Canada through American territory. Up to 1885 the outlet from Manitoba was by American roads to the seaboard. Between 1868 and 1882 the foreign transit trade of Canada done through the United States constituted from 12 to 22 per cent of the total foreign trade of the Dominion. Since 1882 it has been reduced 13 per cent.

The domestic transit trade is very much larger than the foreign transit trade. In 1881 it only amounted to 194,000 tons and in 1894 it reached 1,098,000 tons. Canadians, however, complain that the spirit of the treaty with the United States whereby Canada has given to the United States the free use of her canals the same as Canadians has not been carried out, as the Erie, and Champlain canals of the United States have not been thrown open to them. On the other hand they still enjoy the free navigation of Lake Michigan conceded for a terminable period by article 28.

Coming down to the question as to the advisability of retaining the bonding privilege, Mr. Farrar says that "it would appear to be in the interests of both countries that the bonding system should be maintained west of the great lakes."

In conclusion the writer says that Mr. Laurier and all the leading liberals have condemned the restrictions imposed upon American shippers in Canadian ports, and that there is no doubt that the grievances will be removed. In the interests, therefore, of both nations he recommends the retention of the bonding privilege from the Atlantic to the Pacific, as to remove it would be striking a blow at civilization.

### ALL OVER BOUNDARY.

Boundary Creek Times: J. B. McArthur has bought a half interest in the Hamlet, adjoining the R. Bell, in Summit camp. This is one of the most promising prospects in the camp.

There was another case the other day of an uprooted tree resulting in a good find, Jack Harlan discovering thereby what appears to be a good body of quartz which pans well in Deadwood camp.

Tom Pascoe is doing assessment work on a claim in Skylark camp, originally known as the Je Jo, adjoining the Meadow Lark on the east, and has struck a vein of decomposed quartz of from 4 1/2 to five feet wide, between well defined walls.

Jack Hanley came over from the Old Dominion mine, near Colville, last week and has taken charge of the R. Bell property in Summit camp. They are expecting machinery for a hoist in a short time and work will be pushed on this property.

The freight and duty on \$18 worth of tobacco imported last week by a Greenwood firm amounted to \$19.05; \$12.60 worth of hose cost \$6.90 in freight, and a stove invoiced at \$16 had a freight charge of \$1.72 added to its cost. In this degree are residents of Boundary handicapped.

The fitting up of Messrs. Bealey & Co.'s office on Government street was completed on Saturday, Mr. Naden being able to take possession. The company have now made all arrangements with regard to the carriage of currency to enable them to conduct a banking business.

The result of the work recently prosecuted on the Brooklyn and Idaho claims in Greenwood camp by George Kumberger was highly satisfactory, the assay values of the ore increasing to an appreciable extent. The assays of average sampled rock returned \$15 in gold, silver and copper from the bottom of the new shaft on the Brooklyn, whereas on the surface the valuations were rather less than half of this return. Some 30 feet of work was done.

### Inland Revenue Rates Advanced.

Deputy Collector of Inland Revenue W. S. Jones was Friday advised by Messrs. Lark on the east, and has struck a vein of decomposed quartz of from 4 1/2 to five feet wide, between well defined walls.

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### CLEARLY A SUICIDE

A. M. Foster Dead From an Overdose of Chloral.

### ONLY HERE A MONTH

He Had Been Drinking Heavily—Wanted to Die Because a Girl in the Old Country had Broken Her Engagement with Him.

An inquest was held at 3 p. m. on Thursday afternoon at the courthouse by Dr. Bowes, as coroner, on the body of A. M. Foster, who died on Thursday morning at the Allan hotel under circumstances warranting an inquiry. The following jury was empanelled: H. P. Arnold, A. B. Brickworth, A. Jenkins, Hugh Madden, W. McKinnon and J. N. Blake, the last named being chosen as foreman.

After the jury had been sworn they were taken to the undertaking parlors of B. B. White to view the body which had been removed there from the Allan hotel. J. R. Ray, the first witness, said on bell boy at the Allan stated that he explained of sickness. He had in consequence summoned Dr. Kenning and remained in attendance for some hours. Next morning deceased was seen by him at 7 a. m. Deceased was sober and he felt better. Shortly afterwards he was taken to the undertaking parlors. Witness said he was feeling unwell. Witness had therefore shown him where to find Dr. Kenning. That was all he knew except that about 10 a. m. Mrs. Peck had told him to fetch Dr. McKenzie. He did so, and on returning went to deceased's room. He saw him lying on the bed apparently dead.

Dr. Angus Kenning, sworn, stated that the last witness had come to him between 10 and 11 on Wednesday evening, saying that a man wanted him at the Allan. He went there and found the deceased, A. M. Foster. Foster said he was unwell, and that he had been drunk for a week. It was not the drink he said affected him as much so that an engagement with a young lady at home had been broken off by letter. He said that if he had a six shooter he would put an end to his troubles. Witness thought he was talking idly, and said that he had getting a bottle of chloral and bromide, ministered some chloral and bromide, getting a bottle of the medicine from a drug store. He instructed deceased to take a teaspoonful every hour till sleep was induced. He gave deceased two doses and also injected some morphine hypodermically. When witness left his patient at 1 a. m. yesterday morning Foster had fallen asleep. Next morning Dr. Kenning said he called on the deceased between 9 and 10. Foster was absent, but the doctor noticed that about two more doses had been taken from the bottle. A little later witness saw Foster in a drug store. He said he felt better, but was still nervous. Witness advised him to go to bed after taking another dose.

Dr. J. T. McKenzie stated that he had been called in to see deceased on Wednesday during the day. Foster looked nervous, he complained about a young lady who had jilted him, and said that he had been on a drunk for a week and that he intended to make an end to himself. He prescribed chloral and bromide, gave him a dose but handed the bottle to Mrs. Peck for safekeeping. Next morning Dr. McKenzie after several fruitless visits again saw the deceased. Witness noticed the bottle of medicine on the bureau, it was then nearly full. Deceased admitted having called another doctor. He looked much better and said he had both slept and eaten. Witness advised him to be cheerful and to go out and talk to his friends. Dr. McKenzie then said he left the hotel. It was then about half-past 10 in the morning. Barely three-quarters of an hour had elapsed before he was summoned to the hotel. He found him dead. The bottle on the bureau was nearly empty. The deceased had evidently taken a big dose, about 24 times the usual quantity. It was quite enough to kill him and to kill him quickly.

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This closed the evidence and after a consultation lasting some 20 minutes the verdict was given. This was to the effect that the late A. M. Foster had died from an overdose of chloral and bromide of potassium, taken by him despite directions against its misuse. The hotel people and the medical attendants were declared free of all blame.

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Canada's New Tariff Gives Very General Satisfaction.

MOST NOTABLE FEATURE

Apart From the Reduction of the Duties the Preferential Clauses Are the Most Important—Comment of the Montreal and Toronto Papers.

(From Our Special Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Ont., April 24.—Some western newspapers, including the Winnipeg Tribune (liberal) are not very enthusiastic over the new tariff on the ground that the reductions of duties are not so large as they ought to have been for a party pledged to tariff reform. While this is apparent at first sight the general tariff and preferential duties are lost sight of for a moment. The decreases are very important and considerable.

The Montreal Gazette an excellent financial authority and well up on tariff matters, has a leading article on the new tariff today. Coming from such a conservative source it is important. It is all the more important on the ground that last night the Montreal Witness, a staunch tariff reform paper, expressed its approval of the tariff as a whole and the decreases in particular. The Gazette supports this with a summary of the tariff changes today, showing that the reductions are so great that not very much protection remains.

General duties are fixed, says the Gazette, at 25, 30 and 35 per cent. Under the preferential clause they will amount for the present to 21.87, 30.25 and 26.25 per cent. After the first of July of next year they will be reduced to 26.25, 22.50 and 18.75 per cent. There is nothing to prevent the United States and Germany getting the advantage of the better treatment clause, and this way the tariff would be one for revenue only, with little incidental protection left.

Opinions received from all over express intense satisfaction. Laurier and Fielding are flooded with telegrams of congratulations. Many important ones came from England. The London Times cabled its congratulations to the premier today on account of the new tariff.

NEW TARIFF SATISFACTORY.

Comments of the Toronto Globe and Its Ottawa Correspondent. TORONTO, Ont., April 24.—The Globe's Ottawa correspondent says that the great bulk of the supporters of the government are enthusiastically in favor of the new tariff. It now seems that the new fiscal policy of the country is not only distinctly in the direction of tariff reform and the relief of industry from imports upon its raw material, but is also calculated to very greatly increase trade between Canada and the motherland.

The Globe says: We cannot expect perfection in the tariff, especially under conditions produced by a long regimen of high protection, but we welcome the new arrangement as a long advance in the direction of free trade, and as offering a premium for the fair treatment of Canada by other countries. The ministers had a most difficult problem to solve. They have wrestled with it manfully, and they are to be congratulated on the result. The changes in iron schedules are not only in the direction of freer trade but tend toward the establishment of a better system. For the encouragement of any industry bounty is for many reasons preferable to restrictive tariff. Like changes will make a substantial reduction in the cost of material in every branch of the iron industry, and in a wide range of industries in which iron is an important factor.

No reference was made in Mr. Fielding's speech to an export duty on lumber. It is as yet uncertain what American lumber duties will be, after they have come through the congressional lobby. While a Canadian export duty would injure Americans it is very uncertain whether any advantages would accrue to Canada by such a retaliation.

Colonel James Brown Dead. BELLEVILLE, Ont., April 24.—Colonel James Brown, commanding officer of the Forty-ninth battalion, Hastings rifles, died this morning in his 71st year. For upwards of 50 years Colonel Brown has been engaged in the foundry business here. He represented West Hastings in the Dominion parliament from 1867 until 1882, when he was defeated by the late Alex. Robertson.

SHOULD ORGANIZE A UNION.

Printers Complain That Nelson Miner Pays Less Than Union Scale. NELSON, April 23.—[Special.]—With the change in ownership of the Nelson Miner it was expected, or at least hoped, that that publication would be improved, not only in the character and quality of its contents, but that some effort would be made to raise it to the level of its contemporaries in the matter of fair wages for its employees. In this respect the Nelson Miner has been recognized as a decidedly cheap outfit since it passed from the control of John Houston, Charles H. Int, and D. B. Bogle, the two former of whom are members of the International Typographical Union, and have always paid the highest wages to their employees, notwithstanding that business has not warranted the same during the past few years. Now, however, we are on the eve of a season that of great prosperity in this part of the Kootenay, it ill becomes the management to endeavor to get girls to work in the composing room for no other reason than that they can be calked into working for less wages than men can afford to do.

Your correspondent is informed that Mr. Thompson, claims to be a union printer when there is anything in it. If this be the case he will find it very much to his advantage to start off on his union foot here.

MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN OPENED.

Extraordinary Efforts Being Made to Elect the Citizens' Ticket. SPOKANE, Wash., April 24.—[Special.]—With both tickets in the field, the municipal campaign is now under full swing, and between the two the hottest political campaign ever known in its history. The Citizens' ticket, which is now under full swing, and between the two the hottest political campaign ever known in its history. The Citizens' ticket, which is now under full swing, and between the two the hottest political campaign ever known in its history.

ROSSLAND'S BALL TEAM

Costa and Whittier Will Pitch—Caverly and Holland For Catchers. Myers Will Be Short Stop—A. Gibson, Whalen and W. Gibson Will Guard the Three Bases.

Work began Monday morning on the new ball park, situated on the Black Bear ground, and within the next 10 days the fence, grand stand and club house will be up and the Rossland ball team at hard work getting in trim for the opening game of the league here on the 23rd of May with Nelson. Rossland's ball team contains some of the best players in this section of the country and has been very carefully picked.

Dr. Costa is a "South Paw" pitcher from Sacramento, Cal., where he has pitched for the last two seasons. He is a very speedy man and no doubt will be the leading pitcher of the league, as he is a very cool and hard working man, being in the game all the time. Caverly, the receiving battery of the California battery, is a very clever catcher, and will add great strength to the Rossland team. He is a heavy hitter and will be the largest and heaviest catcher in the league, weighing over 200 pounds. Last season he was with Portland in the North Pacific league. These two men have been playing ball all winter in California and are in the pink of condition. They will arrive here May 7.

MAUD S. AND BEN HASSEN

Vancouver Company Has Secured a Controlling Interest in Both Mines.

Located on the North Fork of Salmon—Good Showings of Ore—Doings in and Around Salmo.

SALMO, April 24.—[Special.]—The North Fork Mining company of Vancouver has purchased a controlling interest in the Maud S. and Ben Hassen mines, owned by Spokane parties of whom Senator Wolf and Thomas Empey were the principal owners. The Maud S. has shipping ore at a depth of 12 feet, and shows a four-foot ledge of solid ore, running high in gold and copper. With additional development work it is expected to be one of the big shipping mines of the district. The Ben Hassen has a ledge fully 20 feet wide and a large body of ore in sight at a depth of 33 feet. It is the intention of the purchasers to get down to work at once and make them dividend-paying mines before snow flies this fall.

The North Fork company has in addition to these claims the Aberdeen, Inverness and Hamill, upon which they are at present running a tunnel. The president of the North Fork company is G. W. Hutchins and D. G. McConnel. C. F. Baldwin, T. Smil, A. Mitchell and Geo. Hobson are officers and directors.

Local Mining Notes.

The snow at this place is all gone, and property owners and prospectors are coming in on every train.

Clark & Utley's sawmill is running full time in order to meet the demand for lumber.

H. A. Jones, agent for the townsite company has a gang of men at work clearing the principal streets of the town. A wagon road to Sheep creek will be built in the course of a month.

Tons of ore are ready to be shipped from Lost creek as soon as the road is built.

The government has appropriated \$800 for a bridge across the Salmon river at this place.

Joe Duhamel has just restaked a claim on the south fork of the Salmon river that he staked six years ago, which shows pure steel galena and goes 300 ounces in silver to the ton.

Building is being pushed with a view to accommodate the influx of people coming to Salmo.

A one-half interest in the Salmo mineral claim situate on Little Sheen creek, adjoining the Gold bug, was sold on Saturday to C. W. Peterson for a good consideration.

A claim was staked two and one-half miles southeast of Salmo by Donaldson and Matheson, which shows native silver and runs high in copper.

Ex-Sheriff Kinear, of Spokane, is erecting a large livery stable in connection with the hotel at this place.

THE BURNT CORK STUCK.

Minstrels at a Spokane Benefit Still Black in the Face. SPOKANE, Wash., April 24.—[Special.]—A good joke that was perpetrated upon the members of the Elks and Foresters at their benefit minstrel show Thursday night is just coming to the surface. As a result of it local burnt cork artists will, in the future, attend to minor details themselves instead of leaving it to the Auditorium stage crew.

When the minstrel boys "made up" for charity their faces had to be blacked. Burnt cork was used, it being very easy to remove. The show began. The boys looked their best and worked hard to please the audience. When the first act ended there was a rush to the dressing rooms to remove the war paint. That is when the trouble commenced.

Burt Harris was one of the first to run up against what has now turned out to be a capital joke. The black would not come off. Harris scrubbed hard. He used a couple of cakes of soap and pitchers of hot water, but the effect was only slight. Doc Luhn, Roxy Edwards, I. D. Stewart, Charley Rich, H. Whitney, B. C. James, W. Lydon and many others were equally as unfortunate as Harris. The hour was late and but little soap could be obtained. Carriages were secured and one by one the performers were taken to a local bathing establishment, where, after some hours of hard labor, the black was removed. There are a few of the boys, however, that still bear traces of the recent struggle.

What caused all the trouble was that someone, unknown, mixed sweet oil and lamp black with the burnt cork. It absorbed so that when rubbed on the hands, neck and face, it soaked into the skin, making it almost impossible to remove.

HOUGHTON MUST PAY.

Eleanor D. Cannon's Order against her Husband's Estate Granted. SPOKANE, Wash., April 24.—[Special.]—Judge Richardson has filed the final decision in the suit of Eleanor D. Cannon against H. R. Houghton, executor of the estate of the late A. D. Cannon. Executor Houghton is ordered to pay the widow the sum of \$4,000, together with \$500 per month from February 24, 1897, and hereafter until she is ordered from the court. Mr. Houghton was ordered to pay this same amount before, but refused to obey, claiming the order was void as the estate was insolvent, that the amount allowed was exorbitant, and that the amount could not be paid out of the community estate of M. and Jennie F. Cannon, his former wife, who left heirs.

State Employees Wages Cut. OLYMPIA, Wash., April 24.—[Special.]—The last legislature made a reduction in the salaries of the institutions under the jurisdiction of the state board of control of \$77,000. In order to meet these altered conditions the board has made a horizontal cut in the scale of wages paid to employees in the penitentiary, and will follow with a like reduction in the eastern and western Washington hospitals for the insane and other institutions.

he won the first game against the strong college team by his wonderful work at the initial bag.

Whalen, second base, played last year with the Rossland team. In '96 he was with the Michigan league and is a good all round player. He plays his position like a demon, is a sure hitter and fast on the bases. Myers, the shortstop, is a very valuable man for any team, being a swift base runner, a sure and heavy hitter, and in playing his position covers a large territory.

W. Gibson at third base is the master of any in the league in this position. This is the hardest position in the infield to play, and the Rossland people may be well pleased that they have such an excellent man for this place. More teams lose games through not having this base strongly guarded than any other position on the field. Besides being a fine fielder he is the most accurate thrower in the field and also a heavy hitter.

The outfield—O'Hara, Pullman, Russell, Foley, Mahoney, Sullivan, Mills, McQuinn, Smith and several others—is not as yet decided on, but the manager has several strong players to pick from, and as soon as the boys commence to practice they will be picked from the several players now here. Manager McCallum is now in correspondence with another good pitcher, and if he lands him the pennant will surely fly in Rossland.

STERNAMAN POISONING CASE.

Extradition Proceedings to Return Mrs. Sternaman to Canada.

RUFFALO, N. Y., April 24.—Charles J. Thomas will leave tomorrow night for New York to represent the Canadian government in the extradition proceedings in the case of Mrs. A. Sternaman. The appeal taken by Mrs. Sternaman from the decision of Judge Cox will be argued on Monday in the circuit court of appeals in Minneapolis. Judge Cox decided that the evidence taken before United States Commissioner Fairchild warrants the extradition of Mrs. Sternaman to Canada for trial for poisoning her husband, George A. Sternaman. The appeal is based on the ground that insufficient evidence was produced tending to show that Sternaman died from poison administered by his wife. Wallace Thayer will argue the appeal for Mrs. Sternaman.

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The Magnet. The Magnet mineral claim is located about three-quarters of a mile from the town of Ody and distant about two miles from the town of Sandon, in the centre of the richest silver producing district in the world. The Magnet is a full claim—1500 x 1500 feet—and is so situated that it is easy of access and can be operated very economically. A well defined ledge traverses the property and is plainly marked by outcroppings of galena that can be found in different parts of the ledge. The width of the ledge is about four feet and consists of carbonates of iron mixed with galena. A very small amount of work will, we are convinced, bring us into solid ore. The walls are well defined and consist of slate and porphyry. The ledge cuts the formation at right angles and has every indication of being a true fissure. The ledge traverses the property a little west of north and east of south. The slope of the mountain on which the Magnet is situated is very abrupt, affording excellent facilities for tunneling.

The formation, unlike the Rossland district, is very soft and work can be prosecuted at less than half the cost. Surrounding the Magnet are several very high grade galena properties. The Bolander, the adjoining claim is being worked on the same ledge that traverses the Magnet, and has now a pay streak eight inches wide of very high grade galena ore and has about ten tons on the dump. The Shaw's claim on the west is also being developed with very satisfactory results. Numerous other properties are being worked in the neighborhood and shipping ore has been encountered in every instance.

Assays. Assays as high as 325 oz. in silver have been obtained from the Magnet. Mines Surrounding the Magnet. In the immediate neighborhood of the Magnet are such famous mines as the Slocan Star, Noble Five, Reco, Payne Group, Fisher Maiden and Freddy Lee, the first mine to ship ore from this famous district.

Timber and Water Supply. The Magnet has abundance of water and timber for all mining purposes. Development. Fifteen hundred dollars worth of work has been done on the Retaliation to entitle the company to a crown grant. On the Magnet only enough work has been done to determine the width and course of the ledge. It is the intention of the company to continue the work on both claims throughout the summer.

The company has decided to place 50,000 shares of Treasury Stock on the market at the low price of 7 1/2 cents per share; each subsequent block will be advanced in price. Stock may be had at the office of the company, Geo. E. Toms, Secretary, Stussi Block, Rossland, or of any of the company's agents.

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