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OUR LONDON LETTER

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LONDON, March 24.—[Special.]—In a recent article in which you commented on an opinion I ventured to express regarding the immediate future of British Columbia mines, I read a paragraph of yours which seem to indicate that you did not consider your correspondent by any means optimistic. Now, this came as a decided surprise to me personally, for I have endeavored ever since I first commenced to give you information regarding British Columbia doings in London, to assume as hopeful and enthusiastic an attitude as was consistent with facts. Having my finger, as it were, on the pulse of the British Columbia market in London, I think that I may fairly claim to have been as hopeful as the circumstances warranted. Of course provincial opinions and London opinions must differ very considerably, and it would have been excessively foolish and inopportune on my part if I had exaggerated the position on this side. What I have endeavored to do is to act more the part of historian than that of the inflated prophet. Fully recognizing as I do that British Columbia will justify all that her friends have predicted for her, yet I have been my duty to confess at times that those who pose as her friends on this side have not always acted in that spirit which would have justified their expressions of single minded purpose. I am afraid that quite a number of companies have been formed on this side during the past twelve months, and will be formed during the present year, whose sole object was not so much mining as the lining of their own pockets by the plunder obtained in many cases from premature promotion. Of course there are a number of really good men whose sole object is to convert the European investor to their own opinions, which are highly flattering to the province.

A growing interest in B. C. Unfortunately these are in a minority all the same. There are indisputable signs that the growing interest in Europe in the future of British Columbia mines is daily quickening, and evidence has been forthcoming in abundance. The following extra provincial companies have been recently written regarding the expansion of interest in your doings. As an instance I might cite the fact that Messrs. News, of a map showing the Klondike, Cassiar, Omineca and Cariboo gold fields, and giving the various routes and the approximate distances to the Klondike. Of course you in British Columbia may regard the interest which has been awakened in the North-west Territories by the exaggerated stories sent to this country—chiefly from New York—as not altogether matter for congratulation in British Columbia, but I do not share this feeling, inasmuch as I consider that the ordinary course of events, react to the benefit of the more southern mining area. Not so very long ago British Columbia was a terra incognita.

As Well Known as the Rand. Today it is as well known in the city as the Rand or West Australia, and we who are in a position to form sound opinions regarding its future, believe that at no distant date it is destined to contain even those celebrated gold fields. Of course, as I have before said the excitement caused by the rush to the Klondike region is very largely responsible for the present diffusion of information regarding the far country, but quite apart from the Klondike, we have undeniable evidence of the goodwill shown by the city towards British Columbia. Here many people seem to think that Klondike will prove very disappointing to those who have set out to furnish the needful for expeditions which are on the point of starting for the land of glittering gold, and it is these people (many of them leading financiers in this city) who believe that it is to British Columbia rather than to the Klondike that capital should be dispatched. On every hand there is evidence that we are going to have a very busy spring, and in the Stock Exchange, the British Columbia market has received quite a number of adherents since the latest session of the Stock Exchange was unceremoniously inaugurated some seven or eight months since. Every promoter you meet has British Columbia or Klondike scheme before him, and although the troubles of Cuba and West Africa have lately caused a rather pronounced setback in prices, it is believed by those whose opinions are worth studying that directly an improvement in the markets is reached, and the public show signs of returning confidence, there will be issued quite a number of prospectuses of companies registered with the object of exploiting Canadian mining regions, many of which as I know for certain, are already in type.

Plenty Canadian Visitors. Lots of Canadian visitors keep arriving and many of them seem to have come with the object of inaugurating London offices for the firms they represent or the companies they control. Messrs. Ernest Kennedy and J. L. Parker have settled themselves in very

ALL FOR KOOTENAY

C. F. R. Official Tell What Their Company Will Do.

A MUCH BETTER SERVICE

Time to Be Materially Shortened Between Rossland and the Main Line—New Fast Steamers on the Columbia—More Rolling Stock.

A party of C. P. R. officials visited Rossland Monday, consisting of Wm. Whyte, manager of lines west of Fort William; R. Marpole, superintendent of Pacific division; H. J. Cambie, chief engineer Pacific division; F. W. Peters, district freight agent, and W. Cross of Winnipeg. The party arrived in the afternoon and left on the 6 o'clock train in the evening for Nelson.

Mr. Whyte is on his annual tour of inspection, and this is the reason for the visit. He left Winnipeg on this trip some time ago and proceeded directly to the Pacific coast, where he examined into the condition of the Klondike trade and made arrangements for better communication to western points, especially to Glenora and along the Sticksen route to the Yukon. Mr. Whyte is much pleased with the result of the trip so far. He finds the lines that come under his direction in good condition, but his visit will be the means of causing many improvements to be made in the line in the future. By the middle of next month the magnificent steamer City of Rossland will be running on the Columbia river between Robson and Arrowhead. It is expected that this boat will easily reduce the time of travel between those points by 2 1/2 hours, making the journey one of 7 1/2 hours instead of 10 hours.

With a little delay as possible rolling stock from the main line will be brought to Robson and forthwith used on the Columbia and Western railway between Robson and Trail. Additional passenger coaches are to be put in service on the narrow gauge road between Rossland and Trail and other improvements will be made so as to shorten the time of travel between Rossland and Robson as soon as these arrangements are carried out, the time occupied in making the trip between Rossland and the main line of the C. P. R. will be reduced to three and a half hours less than the schedule now in force.

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The acquisition of the Monita by the War Eagle people has long been under consideration. It has also received public notice lately because of the recent strike. The officers of the company were: J. B. McArthur, president; Boss Thompson, vice-president; G. R. Killam, secretary; R. J. Bealey, treasurer, and John R. Cook, general manager.

The control of 613,000 shares, represented the holdings of William Austin of 30,000 shares; J. B. McArthur, 150,000 shares; Boss Thompson, 125,000 shares; John R. Cook, 208,000 shares, and R. J. Bealey, 100,000 shares. On the basis of 12 1/2 cents, Austin will receive \$3,750; McArthur, \$18,750; Thompson, \$15,625; Bealey, \$12,500; Cook, \$25,000.

The purchase of this property simply indicates the extent of operations contemplated by the War Eagle people. They at the present time own the War Eagle, on Red mountain, the Crown Point, White Swan, Hidden Treasure on Lookout mountain, the Richmond group in the Slokan, and the last purchase, the Monita, on Red mountain. The capital is \$2,000,000 and there is at present over the value of \$1,000,000 in sight, while the underground workings cover a mile and a half.

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Most of the world's tin product is used in plates. The scrap is not available and, though many efforts have been made to utilize tin scrap, no considerable amount of metal has been obtained in this way.

Next to iron and steel, copper is most used in metallic form, only a small proportion being used in the salts of copper and blue vitrol. The great mass of copper are in the manufacturing of brass, of which it forms two-thirds, in electrical conductors, sheet roofing, cooking utensils and pipes.

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The largest holders have little fear that it will fall back, as there is said to be an immense body of ore in sight, and the best authorities are confident that it will become one of the big properties of the camp. This is further substantiated by the statement of one of the largest shareholders, that an eastern syndicate recently offered to purchase a control at a figure that would have netted close to 30 cents. The fact is also recalled that some time ago, when the mine was being operated with a horse and windlass, the stock went up to 26 cents, and was brought down through the intervention of a large holder of pooled stock.

Preparations are now being made for the shipment of a carload of ore, and it is confident that result of this shipment will materially aid in sending the stock up to a good high point.

Five Sovereign Ore. A sample of fine looking ore from the Sovereign mine, on Lookout mountain, is exhibited in the window of the Miners office and was brought in Monday by William Murphy, who, with John Ryan and Gus Peterson, is operating the property.

The Sovereign is one of the promising properties of Lookout mountain and was under bond at one time for \$25,000. The shaft is down 43 feet, from the bottom of which is a quantity of quartz, iron and copper. The tunnel is in 110 feet, and drifting is now going ahead.

THE MONITA IS SOLD

War Eagle Company Purchases the Property at \$100,000.

UTICA GROUP ALSO SOLD

OUR WORKING MINES

The Buckeye Under Development, With a Good Showing.

DEER PARK STOCKS UP

Great Increase in Number of Tons Shipped This Year Over the Corresponding Period of Last Year.—Progress in the Camp.

(From Sunday's Daily.) The strike on the Deer Park and the remarkable assays was the principal feature of the week, and sent the stock up as high as 15 cents in Spokane. There was a lively demand for it yesterday and the wires were kept hot in efforts to gain control of holdings of non-residents.

The operations of the War Eagle mine have also been a matter of comment, and by July 1, according to Mr. Black, stock of the mine will be in shape to ship 200 tons of ore daily, or 6,000 tons a month, all of which will go to the Trail smelter.

Another property which is added to the working list this week is the Buckeye, about three miles from Rossland, on the road to Trail. It is being developed by the Buckeye Mining company, of which C. L. N. Hayward is manager.

The Deer Park. The event of the week was the strike in the Deer Park. A drift was started a day or two since from the 150-foot level, and in this drift some bunches of very high grade ore were encountered when the drift had been driven a distance of 12 feet. This high grade ore assayed \$270 in gold, 250 ounces in silver and a high percentage of copper, so as to bring up the total to \$500. The same ore body has been encountered in the drift that was a short time ago started from the 200-foot level.

The poorer portions of the ore body will assay from \$50 to \$70, but the higher values are found in the 150-foot level. The width of the ore body on both levels is unknown, as it extends from wall to wall. This strike will turn attention to the south belt, which has been neglected somewhat of late. Considerable work has been done on three or four of the claims there, but little has been done on the others.

There are some who think that there will in the future be several dividend payments on the south belt. All that is needed to properly develop the belt is depth of workings.

The Good Hope. Emil Voight, who is in charge of the very extensive work on the Good Friday, a day or two since, while tracing the lead on that claim, followed it into the ground of the Good Hope for a considerable distance. O'Brien Reddin, superintendent of the Good Hope, visited the new surface find yesterday, and reports that there is six feet of a vein that is heavily mineralized right on the surface. He is so well pleased with the find that he has decided to put a force of 10 men at work on Monday stripping the ledge for the purpose of ascertaining the best place at which to sink a shaft. The find is regarded as an important one by those who know that section, as the Good Friday lead is a strong and well defined one.

The Iron Mask. The force has been increased on the Iron Mask to 35 men, who are working in four different places in crosscutting and tunneling. The company has also been locating the new engine, which will be ready to run this week. The company takes its power from the War Eagle, as the two properties connect, and just as soon as the War Eagle's new machinery and electric plant is installed the Iron Mask will have more power and additional men. Eighty tons of ore were shipped last week to the Northport smelter.

The Le Roi. In the Le Roi some splendid ore is being encountered in the 600-foot west drift, and the shaft is now down about 725 feet. It is not likely that the Le Roi will use electricity in the operation of its mine for some time, as much expense will be involved in changing from the present complete system. A 300-light plant will be installed in a few days, however, for lighting the offices and other buildings connected with the property.

The Sunset No. 2. Work on the Sunset No. 2 during the past week was confined to the lower level, drifting east and west on the vein from the shaft. The entire workings are in well mineralized rock and bear every indication of cutting into an ore chert within a few feet. Additional hoisting appliances have been added, and sinking will be continued as soon as the east and west drifts reach a point distant from the shaft to enable work to be resumed at that point.

The War Eagle. At the War Eagle great preparations are being made for stopping. Two places are now ready and 2,000 tons of ore have been broken in them. Six other places are being put in shape. New machinery will be added, so that the output will soon be about 200 tons per day. Two cars of ore were shipped over the Red Mountain road last week to Nelson, where it is to be used for fluxing.

The Big Four. The shaft on the Big Four group, west of the city has attained a depth of 26 feet. There is a pay streak of 25 inches, that assays \$425 to the ton. As soon as the snow goes off the intention is to run a tunnel along the vein. The ore is being sorted as fast as it is being taken out, and the intention is to ship it to the smelter. The sole owner of this property is James Lawler.

The Victory-Triumph. Tunneling is being pushed with all possible speed, and it is hoped to have the property in such shape as to be ready for shipment of ore as soon as the roads are improved.

The Jostie. Work on this property is being devoted entirely to straightening the shaft, in order that the property will be in condition for development under Mr. Carlyle.

The Velvet. Forty-five men are at work on the Velvet. Ore continues in fine quality, but no further shipments have been made for the reason that the bad condition of the roads make it impossible to rawhide.

The Red Point. Two shifts are engaged on the Red Point and the tunnel is in nearly 450 feet. A heavy pyrrhotite ore has been encountered, and indications are that very little additional work will be required to tap the ledge.

The Good Friday. Six tunnels are being driven, and all show the richest kind of ore. The property is controlled by a foreign syndicate, which proposes to push development vigorously the coming spring.

The Poorman. No ore shipments were made last week, and active development of the property is not likely to be prosecuted until the arrival of Mr. Carlyle of the B. A. C.

The Sovereign. Work has temporarily been suspended on the shaft, owing to the water, but is being vigorously pushed in the tunnel, where a body of high grade copper ore is exposed.

The Buckeye. The shaft is down about 15 feet, and masses of solid ore have been encountered, together with some highly mineralized quartz, with splendid showings of copper.

The Jumbo. The excellent showings resulting from the strike a few weeks ago are still being encountered. Men are drifting south in the vein. The tunnel is in nearly 900 feet.

The Cliff. On the Cliff, stoping is in progress and considerable ore is ready for shipment, but the property is almost inaccessible because of the bad roads.

The Cooxey. Nothing of particular note marked the programme on the Cooxey the past week. The usual progress was made in the tunnel, which still continues in ore.

The Great Western. Sinking is in progress, and arrangements are being made for extensive development.

The Mountain View. A force of men is at work on the tunnel, in which there is a good showing.

Zio Bedesto. Two shifts are engaged in the extension of the tunnel.

The Abe Lincoln. Sinking continues in well mineralized rock.

POORMAN STOCK. The B. A. C. has a Controlling Interest in the Poorman Property. Writing from Tacoma, Wash., a subscriber to THE MINER says:

"I understand a controlling interest in the Poorman has been bought by the B. A. C. Please inform me if it includes the assets, and what the position of the minority shareholders is."

In reply to this, and other queries, Vice-President Zeigler of the Poorman company has caused the following statement to be published:

"The stock books of the company show no transfers of stock to the British America corporation, and while it is admitted that the corporation, through their brokers, have secured 115,000 of the 500,000 shares at which the company is capitalized, this still leaves a balance outstanding of 285,000 shares. One thing, however, I can assure you," he continued, "and that is, no change whatever has been made in the management, and I hardly anticipate that any will be made."

In relation to the above, it is ascertained from an official source that the British America corporation, through Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, has acquired sufficient shares of Poorman stock to which it will no doubt insist on exercising when the company deems it to their interest to do so. It is sufficient to say that the company has the stock and that it will have it transferred on the books of the Poorman company in their own good time.

The shareholders at this day stand in precisely the same position as they did before. If at any time the purchasers decide to exercise their control, the minority shareholders will receive its profits.

RESTAKED ANOTHER'S CLAIM. Hearing in the Case of D. A. Darrow, Charged With Perjury.

The case of D. A. Darrow, charged with perjury in swearing to the location of a mineral claim, was before Magistrate Jordan Friday, but as the evidence is not all in, the case was continued until Saturday morning.

The testimony showed that William Cavanaugh staked the Lucknow claim on March 18, 1897, as agent for Thomas Corrigan, and recorded it March 31, 1897, which leaves the claim still alive. Darrow, in company with some others, staked several claims in the same vicinity and sold them. The supposition was that Corrigan had left the country, and as little more than a month would intervene before the Lucknow lapsed, he restaked that by simply blazing off the old stakes and posting the notice under the name of the Maine. He then came to town and sold the Maine to one Monier.

It transpired, however, that Corrigan had sold the Lucknow to Miss Hudson and another buyer, and they sent a man out to do the assessment work. Then it was found that the Lucknow stakes had been changed to do service for the Maine, and Darrow was taken into custody on the charge of perjury in recording the Maine, and swearing that the boundaries of the claim were unoccupied at that time. The case will be continued this morning.

The Appeal Has Been Dismissed. VICTORIA, March 18.—The appeal in the case of the C. P. R. vs. McBryan has been dismissed with costs by the full court. This was one of the suits arising out of damage to the railway line by irrigation processes.

CANADIAN TRADE

Action of the Board of Trade on the K. R. V. Charter.

SAFEGUARD AS TO RATES

The Miner's Suggestion For the Protection of Rossland's Business Interests Is Strongly Advocated by the Board of Trade.

The board of trade, at its meeting Saturday, re-elected the officers as follows: J. B. McArthur, president; J. S. C. Fraser, vice-president, and John McKane, secretary. The fact that Mr. Fraser telegraphed from Toronto, emphatically declining to accept the presidency, left the field clear to Mr. McArthur, and no other nominations being made, his election was unanimous.

The members of the council are: Messrs. Lalonde, Durant, Smith, Clute, Bogle, Ritchie, Goodeve, Rolt, Martin, Woodhouse, Oliver, McFarlane, Bowers, McRea and Dunn. New members elected were Messrs. Pringle, Corbin, Boulbee and J. B. Coombs.

The secretary's report showed a cash balance of \$34.36 in addition to which fees amounting to more than \$200 were paid in.

President McArthur, submitted a report concerning his visit to Victoria, after the reading of which James Martin moved that a general expression of thanks be tendered for the services rendered, to which Mr. McArthur made reply.

Attention was called by Mr. Rolt to two recent articles in the British Columbia Review, attacking the operations of the British America corporation in this country, and the articles emanated from the board of trade at that place be asked to interest itself in having the correspondence confined to facts.

Mr. Oliver, on behalf of the Bank of British North America, heartily indorsed Mr. Rolt's remarks, as one of the directors of his bank was also a member of B. A. C., and the company was in a position to do much or little for this section. The matter was referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Rolt, Bogle and McArthur, with power to act.

The most important matter before the meeting was the presentation of a resolution by A. S. Goodeve, in reference to the Kettle River Valley railway, which was unanimously adopted after Mr. Nelson's contention that such charter should be surrounded with proper safeguards as to freight rates, had been embodied. The resolution read as follows:

"In view of the opposition of the boards of trade of British Columbia to the charter to the Kettle River Valley railway, this board desires to reiterate its former position in the matter, and to urge upon the Dominion parliament that none of the reasons that have been put forward against the charter of the railway should be allowed to stand in the way of the opening up of the great Boundary district, which would be done by the construction of the railway in question, and the secretary of this board forward by telegram a copy of this resolution to the minister of railways and to the member at Ottawa, Hon. Hewitt Bostock."

Mr. Rolt called attention to the fact that the B. A. C. had been cited certain facts in relation to rates injurious to the business interests of Rossland's merchants, and urged that there should be such rates as not to discriminate in favor of one point as against another and moved, therefore, that a clause be inserted, proper safeguards as to rates be inserted.

This was strongly advocated by J. F. McKee, Olive Pringle and others.

Mr. Goodeve strongly advocated the resolution and readily accepted the amendment. Mr. Martin was satisfied that the opposition to the road was simply to preserve the country to the C. P. R., and it was generally accepted that the V. Y. & E. charter, accompanied by a subsidy, if granted, would simply be sold to Mackenzie & Mann or to the C. P. R. direct.

J. A. Smith advocated immediate action and was satisfied that if the road were not built now, it would not be for five years, while Mr. Lalonde called attention to the benefits of competition and gave a forcible illustration on the reduction of freight rates in connection with his own business during the past year.

C. O'Brien Reddin, Richard Marsh and others spoke in support of the resolution which was adopted unanimously.

Copies will be forwarded to Ottawa, as directed.

OUTFITTED AT VICTORIA. Three Hundred and Fifty Gold Hunters Start For the North. VICTORIA, March 19.—This morning the Victoria steamer Islander sailed for Skagway, Juneau and Wrangell with a large army of treasure seekers, who will number, after those awaiting her at Vancouver have embarked, 350. Her hold and her decks were crowded with freight.

Among the passengers were many parties from all parts of the United States and Canada, nearly all of whom outfit here. One party, numbering 34, from Michigan, who go north under Dr. Gilchrist, took up outfits valued at over \$600 each. By buying these here, the leader said, an immense saving was made by his party. Prior to placing his orders he made a tour of United States coast cities inquiring into prices.

Ladies Play Hockey. At the Palace skating rink Saturday was a very interesting hockey match played by young ladies. The two teams under the name of Rossland and Victoria were made up as follows:

Rossland—The Misses McCreary, Herkamer, Whitney, De Voyn and Townsend. Victoria—The Misses Harris, Inches, Ruff, Harris and McCreary. The Victoria team won by a score of 9 to 2.

Final Payment Made on C. & E. The final payment on the purchase by the British America corporation of the Columbia & Kootenay mines was made in Chicago Saturday, when the sum of \$200,000 was turned over to the original owners, and the transaction closed. The B. A. C. takes possession tomorrow. Nothing toward the operation of the mine will be done until the arrival of Mr. Carlyle.

\$5,000 NOT ENOUGH

The Law Society Recommends a \$10,000 Courthouse. The Rossland Bar association, at a meeting held early in the week, passed a resolution to the effect that the sum of \$5,000 was inadequate for the purpose of erecting a courthouse. In the opinion of the members that sum should at least be doubled. The idea of the members was that a stone building be erected, so that it would be lasting and also fire-proof. The contention was that there is plenty of building stone available in this vicinity and that a comfortable structure could be erected at a small advance over the cost of wood. The association also recommended the appointment of T. Mayne Daly as one of the benchers of the Law society, so that this city might be properly represented.

Supreme Court Sitting Postponed. There was to have been a special sitting of the supreme court in this city on the 21st inst., with Justice Irving presiding, for the purpose of hearing certain matters in relation to the O. K. mine, which is in the hands of Richard Plewman as liquidator. The parties at interest were notified to appear, and now the announcement is made that the sitting will not be held for the reason that Justice Irving was a member of the firm of Bodwell & Irving & Dauff, which firm was the legal manager of some of the creditors of the O. K. Mining company. For this reason he is incapacitated from sitting in any cases that concern the O. K. This will delay the hearing for a month, perhaps.

Hotel Arrivals. The following were the arrivals at the International hotel, Greenwood, during the past week: N. Darling, Vancouver; L. Marks, Victoria; Miss McMillan, Mother Lode; Misses Etta and Mamie McDonald, R. W. McFarlane, J. H. McFarlane, S. Moulton Barrett, Charles Collins, E. Jacobs, J. H. Van Nest, Great Falls; J. F. Hemeway, Old Ironsides; E. Lank, Spokane; D. J. Douglas, Toronto; James Clark, Northport; R. Cunningham, Wallace; James Price, Rossland; Dunk Campbell, Boundary City.

New Officers Chosen. J. W. Boyd, manager of the New York & Kootenay company, has returned from a two months' trip to New York and other eastern cities. He says the deepest interest is shown by business men of the east in the mineral development of this country, and confidence in a great future for British Columbia is evidenced by the generous subscriptions to mining operations. While Mr. Boyd was in New York the company held its annual meeting, and selected the following officers: G. A. McGlone, New York, president; J. W. Boyd, Rossland, vice-president; Charles H. Gedyne, New York, secretary-treasurer. These officials, together with J. M. Hill and E. Herrick of New York, make up the board of directors.

The Porto Rico. Henry Kehoe, superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Exploration company, has just returned from the Porto Rico mine, bringing samples from the face of No. 3 tunnel. A sample of this is displayed in the window of THE MINER office, and assays \$550. The lower tunnel is now in about 325 feet, and the two upper tunnels have been extended about the same distance but are not at present being worked.

Bank of Montreal Block. There is reason to believe that the Bank of Montreal will shortly commence the construction of a handsome three-story stone and brick building on the northeast corner of Washington street and Columbia avenue. The plans for the building have been drawn and were taken to Montreal by Master Fraser of the Rossland mine when he went east a few days ago.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Services in the Church of the Sacred Heart.

AN ELOQUENT ADDRESS

Rev. Father Forin of Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. Pays Tribute to the Saint-Dances and General Features of the Day.

St. Patrick's memory was honored in many ways, especially by holiday observance. The wearing of the green was general, and the bright sunshine was an inducement for the majority of people to enjoy an outing.

The church of the Sacred Heart was crowded to the sidewalks, not only by members of the congregation, but by those of other denominations. The musical program had been prepared with special care and is more than a little interesting.

The address was deeply interesting, and the reverend visitor, who will be here again next Sunday, has been requested, and has consented to preach on that occasion.

THE MINER'S MAP.

It Should Adorn Every Home and Office in the City.

The ROSSLAND MINER's map and bird's eye view of Rossland, the golden city, and vicinity, will be issued shortly. It gives a most comprehensive view of the city and its environs.

One can see at a glance the exact location of a mineral claim, on which side of a hill or mountain or in what portion of a valley it is to be found.

THE KEYSTONE.

Duncan McCormick Brings in a Good Report From the Property.

Duncan McCormick, foreman of the Keystone, is in the city and brings the most encouraging reports of that famous property. He reports that work has been going on since last May, and the property never before looked so favorable as now.

TWO GOOD ORDERS.

The Rand Drill Company Sold Two Plants Yesterday.

The Rand Drill Company has received an order from the Albion Iron Works, Victoria, of which John Bryden is president and R. P. Rithet, vice-president, for a four-drill Rand compressor.

work, however, and at night the plant was on board the cars at Sherbrooke and was speeding towards Vancouver.

TO BE SENT TO VANCOUVER.

William Walker's Sister Located in Vancouver Through a Letter.

The sister of William Walker, the man who died from the effects of injuries received in the Le Roi mine, has been heard from. A letter addressed to him came to the Le Roi mine. It was opened and found to have been written by his sister, Mrs. Lizzie Bain, of Vancouver.

Import Duty on Lead.

Word has been received here from Victoria that J. M. Kellie, M. P. P. for Northwest Kootenay, has given notice in the legislature to move that the Dominion place an import duty on lead.

The Trail Smelter.

The date for blowing in the smelter at Trail has not yet been determined. In the meanwhile the smelter is undergoing a general overhauling, and is being put into a first class condition.

Married in Victoria.

In Victoria, last Thursday, J. W. Spring, of the well known jewelry firm of Challoner, Mitchell & Spring, of Victoria and Rossland, was united in marriage to Miss Jessie W. Stephen.

The bride was the recipient of a handsome diamond star brooch from the groom. The bridesmaids and maid of honor were also presented with mementoes of beauty and value.

Spring and Fall Assizes.

The following are the dates and places of the assizes, nisi prius,oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery for the year: Spring assizes—Nanaimo, May 3; New Westminster, May 10; Vancouver, May 17; Victoria, May 31; Clinton, May 30; Kamloops, June 6; Vernon, June 13; Nelson, June 20; Donald, June 27; Falkaszbay-Clinton, September 22; Richmond, September 26; Kamloops, October 3; Lytton, October 14; Vernon, October 10; New Westminster, November 1; Vancouver, November 14; Victoria, November 15; Nanaimo, 22.

Debtors Turned Over.

The \$65,000 of Rossland debtors have been turned over to the Bank of British North America at their purchase price of par, bearing 5% per cent. They will run for 25 years, and each debtor will be for \$500.

SLIPPED HER HAWSER.

The Steamer Corona Gives the Victoria Authorities the Go-by.

VICTORIA, March 17.—When the steamer Corona, recently raised after her wreck in the north, was 40 miles out of Victoria this afternoon on her way south in tow of the Victoria tug Lorne, she slipped her towing hawser and bore away under her own steam until picked up by the Seattle tug Pioneer, hovering near by.

C. P. R. OPPOSES IT.

Kettle River Valley Railway Will Probably Get Its Charter.

TORONTO, Ont., March 18.—The Ottawa correspondent of the Globe in discussing the appearance of Sir William Van Horne, president of the Canadian Pacific railway, before the railway committee yesterday to speak against granting a charter to the Kettle River Valley railway, says: "As the matter now stands, it is difficult to see how the government or parliament can refuse the charter for an American railway crossing the border, but asking no subsidy and content to run its chance of competition for the trade of the coast cities.

Want an Export Duty on Nickel.

OTTAWA, March 17.—A very strong deputation of business men from Ontario waited upon Premier Laurier this morning to urge the imposition of an export duty on nickel ores and matte. It was pointed out that the development of the nickel-steel business would open up the whole of central Ontario.

JAPAN IN THE RUSH

Some of the Mikado's Subjects Going to Klondike.

WANT A DUTY IMPOSED

Coast Lumber Dealers Want a Duty on Lumber Coming in Placed at the Same Figures as Are Imposed by the United States on Foreign Product.

VICTORIA, March 18.—The first of the Japanese attracted to this country by the Klondike excitement arrived today on the Northern Pacific steamer Victoria from Yokohama on the 5th. She had 99 Japanese all told, and probably half of them are bound to the Yukon.

The steamer Australia, which arrived from the South last night, proceeded north at noon after her 418 passengers had secured miner's licenses.

The tug Wanderer brought the British ship Lyderhorn, Captain Weston, into Royal Roads this morning. The Lyderhorn is 76 days from Manila in ballast. For five days she lay becalmed at the mouth of the straits. She is waiting orders.

Shortage of Rice in Canton.

Sing Lee, manager of one of Victoria's big Chinese companies, yesterday stated a dispatch from Hongkong, stating that there is a great shortage of rice in the city of Canton and already there is much suffering among the poorer classes, who rely almost entirely upon rice for their food supply.

Upon receipt of the cablegram a subscription list was immediately started, and already a large sum has been raised among the Chinese for the relief of their less fortunate countrymen across the water.

Want a Duty on Lumber.

A deputation representing the lumber industry of the province today interviewed the provincial government, asking that a resolution be passed in the local house endorsing the request made by the lumbermen for an alteration in import duties for their protection.

Victoria Surprised at Nelson.

VICTORIA, March 18.—Much surprise is expressed here at the reported resolution of the Nelson board of trade favoring the granting of a Dominion charter to the Kettle River Valley railway, calculated as such a line would be to further build up Spokane and Northport to the distinct detriment of Nelson and other interior British Columbia cities.

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No. 3.

In the Supreme Court.

In the matter of

O. K. GOLD MINING CO.

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The Undersigned Official Liquidator

Will sell by tender,

Subject to ratification by the Court.

The property known as the O. K. Mine and the buildings belonging to the said company. Also the entire mining and milling plant of said company, the whole situated on the south slope of O. K. Mountain, in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay, Province of British Columbia.

The O. K. Mine has been operated since 1893 and was a producer from the start. From January 14th to June 19th, 1897, 2472 tons of O. K. ore were milled, exclusive of several hundred tons of custom work for adjoining mines. The O. K. property is favorably situated for every mineral purpose and for the development of a large custom trade for the mill.

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

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

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

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The Old Gold Quartz and Placer Mining Co. LIMITED.

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

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

The officers of the Old Gold Quartz & Placer Mining company take pleasure in announcing to the public that they have completed the purchase of the famous Silver King and Silver Queen properties of the Lardeau-Duncan country, and that the same have been amalgamated with the already promising properties of the Old Gold company.

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

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

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

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Private Weekly Report of Stocks and Mines on Application. SMITH CURTIS, Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public, etc. Office: Daniels & Chambers Block, 26 1/2 Columbia Ave.

Lost an Eye. Woodstock, Ont., March 19.—Fred McKechnie, 14 years old, son of Prof. McKechnie of Woodstock College, was shot in the eye by a rifle bullet, but will not be very strong, and those who best know the situation affirm of an eye.

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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Table showing ore shipments from mines adjacent to Rossland from Jan. 1 to March 5, 1898. Columns include Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Footman, Iron Mask, Cliff, and Total.

Following are the ore shipments from the mines adjacent to Rossland from Jan. 1 to March 5, 1898: The ore shipments for the seven days from March 12 to March 19, inclusive, were as follows: Le Roi, 1,401; War Eagle, 409; Iron Mask, 89. Total, 1,900. The shipments for the same period last year aggregated 1,330 tons. The total shipments from the camp since Jan. 1, 1897, aggregated 87,850 tons.

IMPROVED POLICY.

According to press dispatches from Ottawa, Sir William Van Horne, president of the C. P. R., has declared that his road will be extended from Robson to Midway, in the South Yale district, within a year from the present time. He expects to see 10,000 men working in the Boundary Creek country in a comparatively short time. He is of the opinion that the ores of British Columbia should not be smelted in a foreign country, and that it will be the policy of the C. P. R. to haul supplies to the mines at such rates as will ensure prosperity to the mining and smelting industries. If the promises and expectations of Sir William are realized, Southern British Columbia will have no cause for complaint against the C. P. R. These utterances, together with the fact that the Robson-Penticton road is to be built without an effort on the part of the company to secure a Dominion subsidy, would seem to indicate that the big railway has at last made a decided change for the better in its policy in the West.

A DEPARTMENT OF MINES.

A bill to create a Department and Secretary of Mines and Mining is now before the United States congress. It is as follows: "Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that there shall be at the seat of government an executive department to be known as 'Department of Mines and Mining,' the general designs and duties of which shall be to acquire, by examination, practical and scientific experiments, geological research, or otherwise, useful information on subjects connected with mining in the general and comprehensive sense of the word, and to diffuse same among the people of the United States. "Sec. 2. That said department shall be under the supervision of a Secretary of Mines and Mining, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the consent of the Senate; and section 158 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to include said department, and the provision of title 4 of said Revised Statutes, including all amendments thereto, are hereby made applicable to said department. "Sec. 3. That there shall be in said department an Assistant Secretary of Mines and Mining, to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall perform such duties as may be required by law or prescribed by the Secretary thereof. "Sec. 4. That the Secretary of Mines and Mining shall receive the same salary as is paid to the Secretary of each of the executive departments, and the Assistant Secretary of Mines and Mining shall be the same as that now paid to the First Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior. "Sec. 5. That the duties now imposed by all laws and parts of laws relating to mines and mining affairs exclusively upon any existing department of the government, or any division or bureau thereof, shall, on and after the day this act takes effect, be performed by the Department of Mines and Mining. "Sec. 6. That the geological survey is hereby transferred to the Department of Mines and Mining. "Sec. 7. That the sale of mineral lands of the United States shall be conducted under the auspices of the Department of Mines and Mining. "Sec. 8. That on the organization of this department all officers and employees wholly engaged in official work in any department of the government, or any division or bureau thereof, engaged in the performance of the duties referred to in section 5 of this act, and all such employed in the departments referred to in sections 6 and 7 hereof, shall be referred to the Department of Mines and Mining. "Sec. 9. That all records, maps, documents, instruments, surveys, machinery and other materials now in the possession and use of any existing department of the government, or any division or bureau thereof referred to in sections 5, 6 and 7 of this act, are transferred to the Department of Mines and Mining. "Sec. 10. That this act shall go into effect on the 4th day of March, 1898." This measure is worthy of the consideration of the Dominion government, as a model for the creation of a similar department in Canada.

MR. CARLYLE'S REPORT.

THE MINER is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of the latest report of W. A. Carlyle, provincial mineralogist. The report is as comprehensive and valuable as the one for the preceding year. Its compilation shows the same care and thoroughness that has always been a striking characteristic of Mr. Carlyle's labors since he entered the service of the Province. The report is well written, full of very interesting and highly important information, is illustrated with photogravures of mining scenes, and contains a number of excellent maps of the different mining districts of British Columbia.

Referring to the progress made by the mining industry in this Province in 1897, Mr. Carlyle declares that figures speak for themselves, and the statistical tables produced in the report show very clearly its steady but gratifying growth. With his customary caution and evident disinclination to exaggerate, Mr. Carlyle goes on to say that the results are so far not startling or phenomenal, but the increase of the output of lode mines from \$100,000 in 1892 to \$7,050,000 in 1897, or five years, with an increase of \$2,750,000, or 65 per cent, during the past year, commands attention. He asserts that a substantial increase of the ore output for 1898 is assured from the amount of ore now in sight in the different districts, and from the fact that the amount of custom returned for shipments of ore from West Kootenay alone for January, 1898, were \$1,183,468 as compared with \$675,506 in January, 1897.

The report shows that the increase in the amount of gold (lode) was 43,882 ounces, or 70 per cent; of silver, 2,337,682 ounces, or 75 per cent; of lead, 14,041,158 pounds or 65 per cent; of copper, 1,506,624, or 40 per cent.

There is, so far as we can see, but one instance in the report, which is at variance with the facts of the case. Mr. Carlyle, in his opening remarks, asserts that "the interest of capital in the mineral resources of the Province has been aroused to a degree quite commensurate with what the mining regions are now prepared to show or offer." We are not in a position to question the correctness of Mr. Carlyle's contentions in this respect so far as the districts to the north and west of here are concerned, but in the Kootenays and South Yale it is a very different matter. We are quite prepared to admit that the mineral resources of British Columbia are well and favorably known in England, and that a large amount of capital there is ready for investment in this Province; but it can scarcely be said that old country capital has come to Southern British Columbia to a degree commensurate with what this portion of B. C. is now prepared to show or offer. Rather it is that a very large number of the mining properties, of proved value and purchasable at reasonable figures, are lying idle because of the absence of buyers. It is not exaggeration to say that properties now going begging will, in the not far distant future, be eagerly sought after at much greater prices than are now asked for them and which even then will be profitable investments. The mineral is here in inexhaustible quantities and only needs the introduction of capital to become the greatest gold, silver, copper and lead district of the world.

In all other respects, Mr. Carlyle's report is a most excellent production, and it deserves the widest possible circulation.

THE TRUCK ACT.

Wherever one portion of a community that is strong, by reason of its wealth, takes advantage of another portion that is weak and helpless, for the reason that it is poor, the latter seeks to have a law passed that will protect it from the encroachments of the former. In fact, the primary necessity for law was to protect the weak against the strong. In response to one of the wrongs that has been perpetrated by the strong against the weak the Truck Act, 1898, has been drafted by the member from this district and is now pending before the legislative assembly. It voices the protest of the laborer that he should be allowed to spend the money that he earns by the sweat of his brow as he may elect. It is a crystallization of the sentiment that he shall board and lodge where he pleases and that if he desires a garment, a pair of shoes, a plug of tobacco or a pipe that he can go where he pleases to purchase them. It provides that the toll shall be paid in lawful money of Canada and not in a lot of truck that he must, because he is given work, purchase from his employer and pay at whatever price the latter may ask. It provides that an employer, in case he is sued for wages by an employee, cannot set up as a defense that he has furnished to the man who worked for him a lot of clothing and other articles as an offset for the money that is due. In short, it is intended to reach that class of employers of so avaricious a nature that they are not satisfied with that profit which comes from the labor that is performed for them, but they must, forsooth, also make poundage, discount and interest on the wages that they are to pay to their employees. If it is adopted it will do away with that unmix'd evil, the company boarding house, where the employees are compelled to pay the highest price for accommodation that is often of the cheapest and most inadequate character. It will do away with the company store where employees are compelled, under pain of dismissal, to purchase at three prices articles for everyday use. The penalties fixed by the Act seem to be sufficiently strong to secure its enforcement.

It is not the first time that it has been necessary to legislate against the company boarding house, lodging house and store. The statute books of Great Britain, the United States and other countries already contain such legislation and such laws are as necessary to protect the weak against the selfish aggressions of the strong. There are many excellent provisions in the Act that have been introduced by Mr. Kellie, and although it was put before the house by a member of the opposition it seems to us that the government would make no mistake if it gave it its strong support to the end that it may become the law of the Province.

CANADIAN RAILWAYS.

The annual report of the Department of Railways, as presented to the House of Commons at Ottawa, shows that there were 141 railways in operation in the Dominion at the end of last year. The number of miles of completed railway was 16,887, an increase of 300 miles. The number of miles in operation was 16,850. The paid up capital amounted to \$921,858,232 on July 1st, 1897, an increase of \$22,040,332. The gross earnings for the year were \$52,353,276, an increase of \$1,807,707, while the working expenses aggregated \$35,168,665, an increase of only \$126,010, giving an increase of profits for the year of \$1,681,697. There were 16,171,338 passengers carried, or 1,360,031 more than in the preceding year. The freight carried was 25,300,331 tons, an increase of 1,033,506 tons. The number of miles traveled by trains of all sorts was 45,780,851, an increase of 1,280,249. Only seven passengers were returned as having been killed. Canada has expended, on capital account, for railway construction, \$122,944,510, including \$25,000,000 to the C. P. R., while \$16,390,387 additional, for subsidies, have been charged to the consolidated fund. The government system of railways had a mileage, on July 1st last, of 1,388 miles. On the Intercolonial the earnings were \$2,866,028; expenses of operation, \$2,925,966, leaving a loss of \$59,940 on the year's operations. On all the government roads, including the Intercolonial, the year's earnings were \$3,060,000; working expenses, \$3,177,269, a loss of \$117,269. The earnings decreased \$80,604 during the year, and the expenses decreased \$77,173.

COST OF A MINT.

A Toronto contemporary objects to the establishment of a Canadian mint on the grounds that the cost of maintaining such an institution would be too great.

It has been estimated by those who are in a position to speak authoritatively on such matters, that a mint with an annual capacity of two million pieces, fully equipped, need not cost more than \$75,000. Of this sum \$50,000 would be devoted to the construction of a suitable building, and \$25,000 to the purchase of machinery, dies, etc. The annual cost of operating a plant of this kind should not exceed \$8,000 or \$9,000 annually.

We once had a mint in Canada. Immediately before the union of the two crown colonies—Vancouver Island and British Columbia—in 1867, one was established in New Westminster, but after striking off a few \$2.50, \$5 and \$10 gold pieces, the plant was closed by the order of the governor, Sir James Douglas, for no other reason, it is alleged, than to allay the intense jealousy that existed between the rival cities of Victoria and New Westminster.

The MINER has already gone to considerable length to show the benefits that the country would experience by the establishment of a Canadian mint. It is certainly not alone in its contentions; on the contrary, a large number of newspapers have warmly advocated the idea, and the sentiment in favor of an institution of this kind being established forthwith is rapidly gaining ground. Should the Dominion government decide to provide for the erection and maintenance of a Canadian mint, it could not do better than select Rossland, the center of the greatest gold, silver and copper district in the Dominion, as the place for its establishment.

THE MONITA DEAL.

The purchase of the Monita mine by the War Eagle company may be taken as very good evidence that the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate, which has already invested many hundreds of thousands of dollars in Rossland mines, is so well satisfied with its holdings that it is still disposed to add to them to a very considerable extent. This speaks volumes in favor of the mines of the camp. The Monita road is needed to work the War Eagle mine advantageously, but that is not the chief reason why the Monita deal was made. It has been known for some time that the main vein of the War Eagle runs through the Monita, and there is every reason to believe that there is just as good ore within the boundaries of the last named property as there is in the famous War Eagle. By the purchase of the Monita, the War Eagle company has made an investment that will undoubtedly prove very profitable at no distant time.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

MANN AND MACKENZIE, the owners of the Stickeen-Teslin railway charter, are both Conservatives in Dominion politics.

The tenor of THE MINER'S London letter this week is additional proof of the rapidly growing interest in Europe in the future of British Columbia mines.

The shipping interests of British Columbia have grown to such an extent that two columns of the Victoria Colonist are filled with the names of vessels having traffic with that port.

HON. LYMAN J. GAGE, secretary of the United States treasury, has come to the conclusion that silver will again be the issue in the presidential campaign of 1900.

The agitation for an import duty on lead has reached Ottawa and strong pressure is being brought to bear on the government to enact legislation with that end in view.

The report of Provincial Mineralogist Carlyle shows that almost the entire product, 17,000 tons, of the Comox coke ovens on Vancouver Island, was used last year by Kootenay smelters.

MARK the difference between the trial of Doyle, the Kuskonook murderer, and the manner in which justice was meted out to Theodore Durrant, the San Francisco villain. Doyle's case occupied one day; Durrant's nearly three years.

Just why the efforts in behalf of Dreyfus should be spoken of as an attempt to secure him a new trial is not apparent. So far as human observation goes Dreyfus has never had any kind of trial.

"JIM" HILL, of the Great Northern railway, thinks sufficiently well of the prospects of East Kootenay to commence arrangements for the construction of a railway into that district as far north as Golden.

AS SOON as the Dominion parliament imposes an import duty on pig lead and lead manufactures equal to the import duties charged by the United States, three lead smelters will commence to operate steadily in Kootenay.

It is a noteworthy fact that as fast as the old timers of this camp dispose of a portion of their holdings here they lose no time in reinvesting the proceeds in the development of mining property or improvements of real estate that they still retain.

SAYS the Winnipeg Tribune: A new day has dawned for the west when western members take up a whole day in the Dominion house discussing matters chiefly affecting this country. Fancy the western members under the late regime thinking of such a thing.

Cecil Rhodes is the red rag that keeps the South African bulls enraged. President Steyn of the Orange Free State dressed him down very neatly in a recent speech, but Rhodes does not mind opposition and goes on with his imperialistic scheme.

JUDGING from the very satisfactory results of the development work now in progress in this camp, it would seem that the output of the mines of the Trail Creek division will soon necessitate a very considerable increase in the capacity of local smelters.

IT seems probable that the Mann-Mackenzie contract to build the Stickeen-Teslin railway will be ratified by the senate, in spite of the protests that are being made in the upper chamber concerning the refusal of the Laurier administration to recognize the offer of Hamilton Smith.

MARCUS DALY, the well known mining man of Montana, has contributed \$15,000 to aid the State of Montana in making a creditable mineral exhibit at the trans-Mississippi exposition. His public spirit is certainly highly commendable, and is additional proof, if that were necessary, of the proverbial liberality of mining men.

A FRIENDLY alliance between Great Britain and the United States seems to be much desired by a large majority of the people of both countries.

The idea originates with us, having first assumed tangible shape in a speech delivered by Lord Russell, chief justice of England, when on a visit to the United States a year or so ago.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER has stated that if it can be shown that Canada really has the bulk of the world's supply of nickel ore, and is in a position to control the situation, the arguments for an export duty on nickel ore and nickel matte would be greatly strengthened. This proof should be forthcoming without much difficulty. It is said that those interested in the Canadian nickel industry have promised to furnish the necessary figures.

WITH a great display of patriotic ardor, much like that in congress when the \$50,000,000 were voted, the house of commons voted a sum representing about \$119,000,000 for naval purposes. As a reply the czar quietly sent a note to his finance minister, telling him to set aside a sum equal to \$70,000,000 for extraordinary naval construction. Russia has accumulated gold for war and specie resumption purposes. The sum amounts now to more than \$500,000,000. It is out of this that the naval money is to be taken.

C. B. SWORD, M. P., has made an excellent move in suggesting that a clause be inserted in the bills of various

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railway companies now applying to the legislative assembly for charters, by which they each deposit \$5,000 with the government within one month of the passage of the act, to be forfeited by them unless \$10,000 is expended in actual construction before December 1, 1898. Failure to comply with this provision means the cancellation of the charter. The clause will, in all probability, put a stop to the promotion of "wildcat" railroads, which, of late, has become quite prevalent in this Province.

A RESOLUTION bearing upon the lumber industry of this Province has been introduced in the legislature by Hon J. H. Turner, Premier, and C. A. Semlin, the leader of the Opposition. It sets forth that the lumbermen of the United States are making serious encroachments on the lumber trade of British Columbia and recommends that the Dominion parliament impose a duty on lumber and shingles imported into the Dominion equal to the duty charged by the United States on these articles, thus placing this important industry on a footing in competing with the neighboring mills of the United States. British Columbia has an almost limitless amount of the finest timber in the world and the lumber industry of the Province certainly will be helped if parliament accepts the suggestions of the legislative assembly.

The deputation appointed by the people of Sandon to urge the Provincial government to satisfy the demands of the Slooan division for appropriations for public works and for just consideration in the contemplated redistribution of seats in the legislative assembly, seems to have done good work. Sandon is to receive \$500 for educational facilities, \$200 for fire protection purposes and \$800 for a lock-up and city hall. Provision is to be made for the satisfactory disposal of the sewage of that town. Assistance to the extent of \$1,500 will be given towards the construction of a wagon road from Sandon to Noble Five mountain, via the Reco trail, and the Province is to stand one-half of the cost of a wagon road from the most convenient point on the Nakusp and Slooan railway to the Idaho basin, giving facilities to the Queen Bees and other mines. The total of the appropriations for the Slooan division will not fall far short of \$15,000 this year. The Slooan is to be made into a separate electoral district. If the government will only continue to treat Kootenay in this manner, the chances in West Kootenay for the Turner administration at the next elections should improve to a very considerable extent.

Two carloads of War Eagle were sent to the Nelson smelter, over the Columbia & Western road, last week.

Ground Floor Proposition

Pooled Shares in the LARDEAU-GOLDSMITH MINES, LIMITED The property consists of the Ophir and Oregon mineral claims, in the Lardeau mining district. Vein: 50 feet wide, traceable for several miles; paystreak four to five inches; average assays 1.008 oz. silver, 15.9 per cent copper, .25 oz. gold, values \$600; 24.0 oz. silver, 11.8 per cent copper, .20 oz. gold, values \$200 to the ton. Good facilities for getting out ore and shipping. The promoters offer a limited number of pooled shares at three cents per share for the purpose of developing the properties and placing them on a shipping basis. Before selling any of the treasury shares which should then command par. Capitalization of company only \$200,000, of which one-half is reserved for working capital. Those who know the celebrated Lardeau district in which the Gold Cup and other well-known shipping mines are situated will require little further information than is contained in the above, and will promptly. Others can obtain further information by letter or wire. As a few applications will exhaust this opportunity, orders accompanied by cheque will have precedence.

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MARKET FEATURES.

Buyers and sellers were wide apart yesterday on saleable stocks. This was notable in the case of Le Roi, War Eagle, Monte Christo, Deer Park, Good Hope, Josie and Iron Mask. Buyers will not pay asked price and sellers refuse less and no sales are the result. The new fund on the Good Hope has proved valuable and is certainly the same ledge as the Good Friday.

Table listing various mining stocks and their prices, including Canada M. & D., Noble Three, Deer Park, Dundee, Edgar, Eileen, Eureka North Star, G. M. Co., Evening Star, Good Hope, High Ore, Iron Mask, Josie, Le Roi, Lily May, Monte Cristo, Noble Three (silver), Pick Up, Footman, Red Mountain View, Rossland Star, Roderick Dhu, Salmo Con., S. Elm., Silver King, Silver Queen, Silver Star, Virginia, White Bird, Yale.

Snaps for Today.

We offer today subject to sale the following snaps: 300 Le Roi, 7.50; 3000 Red Mt. View, 2 1/2; 1000 Iron Mask, 7.50; 3000 O. K., 1.00; 2000 Palo Alto, 2.50; 5000 Jim Blaine, 4.37 1/2; 4000 Dundee (pled), 37; 8000 Evening Star, 5; 200 White Bear, 5; 2000 Silver King, 1.50; 10000 High Ore, 3; 2000 Centre Star, 2.25; 15000 Montezuma, 1.50.

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CURRENT EXPENSES

A By-Law Permitting the City to Borrow Money.

ESTIMATES TO BE MADE

A Question as to Whether Improvements to Streets Shall be Made by Abutting Property Owners or by Appropriation.

At the next meeting of the city council a bylaw will be presented for submission to the citizens of Rossland for the purpose of borrowing money for current expenses, for police and sewage purposes, for the fire department and for the purpose of street improvement.

Ordinarily, the revenues and taxes are sufficient for the current year, to cover all such requirements, but as all new municipalities, the conduct of public business requires available funds in amounts larger than are usually on hand from the various sources of revenue.

Such an obstacle is readily overcome by the operations of subsection 148, section 50, which authorizes the city under the following conditions, to borrow from any person such sum of money, not exceeding an amount equal to the total amount of taxes upon the land or real property as shown by the revised assessment roll of the municipality for the preceding year, and bearing such rate of interest as may be requisite to meet the current legal expenditure of the corporation which becomes payable out of the annual revenue before the revenue for the year becomes payable by the tax payers.

Procedure under this section is not deemed valid for the reason that, while the city had a revised assessment roll, an assessment rate was not struck, and instead of the proper officials being able to make a loan on the basis of the assessment before December 31 of the present year, and payable out of the current revenues and taxes, the necessary funds will have to be secured by submission of a bylaw for the action of the public.

This matter will be determined by the committee during the coming week, and the special purpose will be to pursue such valid course as will secure the money without unnecessary expenditure.

Chief among the expenditures on the part of the city during this and the years immediately to follow, will be for street improvements, and the method to be pursued is still to be determined.

Whether it shall be by local assessment districts, or by abutting property owners shall share in the expense, or whether it shall come out of a general improvement fund created by an apportionment of the general taxation, is a matter which diverse opinions are entertained.

It was asked by some members of the council that in residence and outlying sections such improvements would be made, as a rule, upon the petition of the surrounding property owners, and that the abutting owners should, therefore, pay proportionately, but that in business streets, such as Columbia avenue, where the general public benefit and are convenience by such improvements, an arrangement should exist whereby the expense, shared by the general public. This, however, is a matter to which the council will give attention.

Miscellaneous Matters. Aside from the approval of sundry bills but very little business came before the council. The matter of adjusting an account of \$207 for two pairs of runners for the fire department was left with the committee.

A numerously signed petition for the construction of a sidewalk on Le Roi avenue was presented and referred to the street committee.

It was reported that a large fireproof safe in which to keep the rapidly increasing and valuable records of the city, had been purchased from the R. J. Beasley company at Trail, for the sum of \$280 delivered at Rossland. The safe is one of the largest in this section of the country.

A communication from the school board asked that St. Paul street be graded and that buildings located in the streets in front of the school house be removed. The matter was referred to the street committee and the council adjourned.

A SAD CASE. Sickness and Destitution Break Up a Rossland Home.

Aldermen Lalonde, Edgren and Good- eway have in charge a sad case of sickness and destitution in the person of Mrs. Beban, a woman about 30 years of age, who was taken to the hospital Tuesday suffering with fever. She was not expected to live through the night, and her father, who lives in Winnipeg, was so notified. The poor woman has three children, one a babe of eight months, another about two years old and a boy of eight years.

A few months ago, the husband and father was so broken down with consumption that it was decided to seek a restoration of health in California. There were not enough funds to take the whole family, so he went and has just come out of a hospital, but is not able to earn a living. The wife attempted to provide for the little ones, and struggled along until sickness overtook her and she became dependent upon the kindly offices of neighbors. The members of the council have kept away want, but the mother's condition became so low yesterday that she was removed to the hospital, and at a late hour last night her life was despaired of. The boy was taken to his mother's father at Winnipeg, advising him of his daughter's condition, and asking for instructions as to the children. The husband was also notified.

ON THE ROAD TO DAWSON.

Some of the Scenes Witnessed By a Former Rossland Resident.

Charles Ehlers, of the St. Charles hotel, has received a letter from James Coyle, at Sticken island. Mr. Coyle was formerly a resident of Rossland and left here with the survey party under Mackenzie & Mann. He says the ice on Sticken river is covered with slush so that travel is impossible. Mackenzie & Mann's whole outfit is stalled at the mouth of the river, and unless it freezes the party is likely to be tied up a month or more. The pilgrims to Klondike, Mr. Coyle says, make an interesting sight. Horses, cows, bulls, oxen, goats, sheep and dogs are all being used as pack animals. One man has a flock of turkeys which he is going to drive through to Dawson.

Among other sights was a man trying to train a big black bull to draw a sled. Another is a little short of dogs, so he gets into the traces himself. And a third was an old man, at least 65 years of age, pulling a year's supply of provisions on a hand sled and a 2x2 scantling, 20 feet long, trailing behind. The most ridiculous thing, however, is that one outfit has a steam logger trying to haul about 30 tons. It made one mile the day before Mr. Coyle wrote and was out of wood and water most of the day.

Mr. Coyle says everybody is trying to get up as far on the water as possible. They might as well wait, as there is no hope of getting through for a month, at least, unless there is a heavy freeze. Mr. Coyle concludes: "My boys are having a picnic, with nothing to do but wood for this camp and no other camp to be seen here than ever Barnum & Bailey got together."

J. DOYLE TO BE HANGED

He Was Sentenced by Judge Irving Yesterday.

He Killed Dennis Connors in Cold Blood at Kuskonook on the 18th of February.

NELSON, March 22.—[Special.]—J. Doyle, alias Sullivan, who shot and killed Dennis Connors at Kuskonook on February 13, was today sentenced to be hanged on April 22, by Judge Irving. The evidence showed that Connors was sitting in Erickson's hotel, Kuskonook, shortly after 11 o'clock on the night of the murder. Doyle approached him and pulling out a pistol said: "Dig up or I'll shoot you." Connors evidently thought that Doyle was joking for he replied smilingly: "Fire away." Doyle pressed the trigger and Connors fell dead at his feet with a bullet through his breast. The murderer fled, but was captured a day or two after by the mounted police in the vicinity of the boundary line. At the trial the prisoner set up a plea of self-defence and alleged that he had been shot at by Connors. He was told to shoot when he himself fired. There was nothing to back him up in his defence and the jury found him guilty as charged of willful murder and Judge Irving sentenced him to be hanged on April 22, which is exactly a month from today.

ANOTHER BRICK BLOCK.

Ross Thompson Is to Erect One That Will Cost \$30,000.

Another brick building of large size is to be erected in this city. The site is on the corner of Columbia avenue and Spokane street, which at present is occupied by the Clifton house and Rossland Mercantile company. The structure is to be put up by Ross Thompson, the father of Rossland. The ground dimensions of the building will be 90x118 feet. There will be three stories and a basement. It will be of brick and stone combined, and an effort will be made to have it as near fireproof as is possible for a building of the kind. The plan of building will be followed. Between floors and walls non-inflammable materials will be packed, so that a fire if it got started in one room could only work its way slowly through the walls and floors to the other portions of the building. All the modern improvements will be provided, and it will cost when completed the sum of \$30,000.

The Bank of Montreal is about to erect a brick block on the corner of Columbia avenue and Washington street, on the site of Martin Brothers' store. It will be three stories. On the opposite corner the Merchants' Bank of Halifax purpose erecting a three-story block of brick and stone. Early in May the directors of this bank purpose visiting the city and then the details of the construction will be arranged for.

Legislation Against Monopolies.

VICTORIA, March 22.—In the legislature, MacPherson's amendment prohibiting the employment of Chinese and Japanese was inserted in the Mountain Tramway & Electric company bill. Last session similar amendments were presented for a bill granting charters for public works, but withdrawn upon passage of a general bill by Mr. Adams, forbidding the employment of oriental labor upon enterprises carried on under charter from the legislature. This bill was reserved for the governor-general's assent, which has not yet been granted and consequently the provision is apparently to be moved on each bill separately as it comes before the house.

A Regular Blizzard.

St. Louis, Mo., March 23.—A regular blizzard prevails in St. Louis and vicinity, extending down into Arkansas and parts of Louisiana. The temperature shows a drop of 48 degrees since yesterday. The ground is covered with heavy wet snow, something that is unprecedented for this season of the year. The heavy rains of the past few days have caused all the rivers in Missouri to rise rapidly. It is expected that by tomorrow all the lowlands in Missouri, as far up as the mouth of the Illinois river will be under water. Only a few incoming trains reached the Union station today, the delays was caused by the washouts and landslides. Wheat fields are flooded and the bottom lands north of Covington are submerged, the Okaw being five miles wide at that point.

THE STOCK MARKET

The Deer Park Strike Causes Considerable of a Flurry.

THE STOCK ADVANCES

There Was an Increased Demand for War Eagle, Which Advanced the Price of Its Shares to \$1.25—Salmo Consolidated Sells Readily.

The stock market this week has been characterized by a very brisk movement in Deer Park, and which was caused by an important strike in the 150-foot level of that property. There is a small quantity of ore that will run up to \$600 per ton in that level and a larger body that is of a shipping character. In the 200-foot level the same ore body has been encountered, but it is not of as high a grade as that found in the 150-foot level, but still it is of a shipping quality. This week the stock up from 10 to as high as 13 1/2 cents, and in Spokane and Toronto as high as 15 cents. There was somewhat of a slump in Deer Park yesterday when it fell half a cent locally and was quoted at 13 cents. It was well worth the wait, as there is no hope of getting through for a month, at least, unless there is a heavy freeze.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The Mugwump.

BLYTH, Ont., March 15. EDITOR MINER—Sir: I would like to have some information concerning the Mugwump mineral claim. Is it under development, and what is the stock worth? J. M. H.

[The Mugwump is located near the War Eagle and Iron Mask. The treasury is exhausted and no work is being done. Therefore, it is difficult to place any value on the stock. Some holdings here are being offered at 4 1/2 cents. Efforts are now being made to communicate with the various stockholders and to place the property on such a basis as will permit of operations. Edward Baillie, Rossland, is the secretary of the company.—Ed.]

Roderick Dhu.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 15. EDITOR MINER—Sir: Please give information in regard to the mining claim Roderick Dhu.

[The Roderick Dhu is south of the Deer Park. It is crown granted. There is no money in the treasury, but none of the treasury stock has ever been sold. What work is done and it is done from whom the stockholders are to be performed with money advanced by the directors. A representative of the company is now in the east, and arrangements will be made either to sell the property or to proceed with its active development.—Ed.]

The Big Three.

TORONTO, March 8, 1898. EDITOR MINER—Sir: Please furnish some information concerning the Big Three company, operating at Rossland.

[The Big Three Gold Mining company owns the Snowshoe, Southern Bell and Mascot. A control of 200,000 shares were recently sold in Montreal. The new purchasers are making preparations for development.—Ed.]

The Ethel Group.

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, March 23. EDITOR MINER—Sir: Please advise concerning the Ethel group, etc.

[Queries concerning this property were answered in THE WEEKLY MINER of March 3, 1898.—Ed.]

The Montana Pool.

SANDON, B. C., March 8. EDITOR MINER—Sir: Please inform me if the pool of the Montana Gold Mining company has expired yet, and if so, how can the stockholders obtain certificates? Are they working the property, and what are the prospects? A SUBSCRIBER.

[The pool has not expired. None of the treasury stock has ever been sold. Sufficient work has been done to permit of securing a crown grant, for which application has been made. The work already done was carried on with funds advanced by the directors. No treasury stock will be placed on the market until there are prospects of securing a fair price for it.—Ed.]

The Alf.

ROSSLAND, B. C. March 11. EDITOR MINER—Sir: Please favor with information concerning the Alf Gold Mining Co.

[This company owns the Bouillon group of four claims near Ymir, together with the Alf, in the south belt, one mile from Rossland. It is owned principally by Brantford, Ont., parties. There is no active representative of the company here. None of the stock has been on the market for some time. Operations are being conducted on the Bouillon group, but not on the Alf.—Ed.]

Stay Away From Klondike.

E. J. Noel, St. Andre, Avellan, P. Q.— We strongly advise to stay away from Alaska and the Klondike. Come to Kootenay if you want to engage at prospecting or mining. The money necessary to take you from Quebec to Dawson City and return would enable you to do so many as five on the same amount at New Denver, which is a most interesting publication and is among the very best weeklies in British Columbia. It has quite a large circulation and is extensively read in this city.

The Rush to the North.

VICTORIA, March 21.—The steamer Walla Walla from San Francisco yesterday brought more than 300 tourists, taking advantage of the cut rates east by the Denver trail. The C. P. R., besides scores of miners coming to outfit for the trip to the Klondike. She had 473 passengers all told. The steamer Cottage City arrived from the sound yesterday morning, and after a stay of about one hour left for the north. She took up 79 passengers. The steamers Scotia and City of Seattle arrived late in the evening and had their passengers—The Scotia 27 and the City 328—had secured licenses, they sailed for the north about noon. The Mackenzie—Mann Road. VICTORIA, March 21—A. S. Reed of this city, arrived down from Wrangell today after a fast three days trip from Glenora to the mouth of the Sticken river. Mr. Reed says that the Mackenzie-Mann party, engaged in making the sleigh road, had just reached the boundary about 30 miles up the river, when he passed, and they hoped to be able to complete the road to Glenora unless the weather suddenly becomes softer. About 400 men had got into Glenora and some 1,500 more are waiting at points along the river for the completion of sleigh road.

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

LAST WEEK'S FEATURES. Intense excitement prevailed through the week in Deer Park shares. This stock is quoted by Spokane at 16c, but we are able to offer our customers at a lower figure. Last week's investors in Salmo Consolidated have profited by a five-cent rise. War Eagle, prominently placed, among our last week's snags has risen from \$1.11 to \$1.30 and will go still higher. Monte Christo is firm and may be looked upon as a rising stock.

OUR SNAPS. 8,000 Deer Park, 14c; 10,000 Salmo Consolidated, 15c; 5,000 War Eagle, \$1.30; 9,000 Monte Christo, 21c; 5,000 Brandon and Golden Crown, 25c; 5,000 Le Roi, \$7.50; 1,000 Cariboo (Camp McKinney), 65c; 500 St. Elmo, 5c; 1,100 Dundee, 55c; 300 Iron Mask, 42c; 3,000 Poorman, 11c; 12,000 Arlington, 9c.

A POINTER. All the above are good investments, but this week we specially recommend Deer Park, War Eagle and Monte Christo. If these are bought no loss can be sustained.

MINING CHARTERS. To capitalists coming into the country we offer for purchase three mining charters; two at \$200 (one being under the act of 1862) and another at \$100. This is a two-edged opportunity, a new charter costing some \$600.

WAR EAGLE. A contract for the smelting of 100,000 tons of ore has been placed with the Trail smelter.

The Stock Market

Latest information furnished weekly by M. E. DEMPSTER & CO. (One of the oldest established firms in Rossland.) ESTABLISHED 1895. P. O. Box 25. 43 East Columbia Ave., Rossland, B. C. CODES: A B C, Moreau & Neil's, and Clough's. Cable Address: "MEDOC."

This week we submit the following subject to sale: 5,000 Deer Park, 14c; 2,000 Josie, 28c; 500 Iron Mask, 41c; 4,000 Good Hope, 3c; 4,000 Royal Gold, 3c; 1,000 Josie, 28c; 1,000 Monte Cristo, 19c; 250 Iron Mask, 41c; 1,000 Arlington, 9c; 400 Le Roi, \$7.50; 650 Deer Park, 14c.

A GENERAL ADVANCE

Has been the characteristic feature of last week's transactions. The supply of War Eagle Consolidated would not meet the demand. This stock has now advanced to \$1.25, with very little offering. Deer Park has also risen to 15c, a brisk demand showing everywhere. Monte Cristo and Salmo Consolidated have been (demand showing everywhere. The recent strike in the latter being we presume the cause very popular "buys," the recent strike in the latter being we presume the cause of a batch of orders from Eastern Canada and the States. The price of the Salmo Consolidated has advanced to 15 cents, with a good demand at that figure. We particularly commend this latter stock to cautious buyers for the reason that the ordinary course of things it cannot help being a very profitable investment. The company has ample funds for continuous development, and as all individual stock is tied up indefinitely till the properties are shipping, the treasury stock of this company offers as safe and valuable a security as we know of. Our sales last week were exceptionally heavy, showing that there is plenty of money ready for investment in gilt edge stocks.

A Successful Publisher.

R. T. Lowery, editor and publisher of the New Denver Ledger, is in the city. Mr. Lowery was in Rossland in 1893, and says that he lost several millions by not locating here, as he was solicited by the residents of the camp in New Denver and vicinity is not quite as lively as it has been in the past, but the outlook is most hopeful, and he expects that there will be a great revival when the snow goes off, and the things get a moving again. A number of new mining enterprises will start up here, and these will be of great help to Mr. Lowery who has had a picturesque career and has been a successful publisher of papers in various parts of the country and at one time had his own newspaper in New Denver. He says as many as five on the same amount at New Denver, which is a most interesting publication and is among the very best weeklies in British Columbia. It has quite a large circulation and is extensively read in this city.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes entries like Kettle River, Keynote, Athabasca, etc.

FROM THE RECORDS.

Transfers. MARCH 16. G. H. Sutherland to Joseph E. Walters, the Twin Brothers, on main street, one mile south of the Denver trail. M. J. Burns to Henry L. Gain, the Iron Duke, situated one mile below the Q. K. mine, on Deer Park mountain. George Lamontagne to Edward Bowes, the Camp Bird, on the west side of the mountain.

Certificates of Work.

MARCH 16. Almaden, by Ernest Bannister, April Fool, by Wm. Hagan, Virginia Fraction, by Fred McFarlane, Richmond, by Wm. Martin, Richmond, by H. F. Arnold, Alice, by W. J. Hughes, Nelson No. 3, by C. Lord, Australia, by A. Wilson, Copper World, by J. J. Henager.

Certificates of Improvements.

Tuesday, by Wm. A. Ritchie. Contact, by Jonathan Walker. Copper, by the Weneta & Trail Creek Mining company.

May Flower Gold Mining Company.

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the May Flower Gold Mining company will be held at the chief place of business of the company in British Columbia, in the John R. Cook building on Columbia avenue, on the 25th day of April, A. D. 1898, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. The purpose of said meeting is to consider a resolution for the further development of the May Flower mine; to empower the Board of Trustees to negotiate for that purpose, or accept of offers for the sale of the mine, and to do all such other and various things as may be deemed wise and proper for the purposes of the said mine. Dated at Rossland, B. C., this 12th day of March, A. D. 1898. F. E. SNOODGRASS, Secretary, May Flower Gold Mining Co.

St. Elmo Gold Mining Co.

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the St. Elmo Gold Mining company will be held at the chief place of business of the company in British Columbia, in the John R. Cook building on Columbia avenue, on the 25th day of April, A. D. 1898, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. The purpose of said meeting is to consider a resolution for the further development of the St. Elmo mine; to empower the Board of Trustees to negotiate for that purpose, or accept of offers for the sale of the mine, and to do all such other and various things as may be deemed wise and proper for the purposes of the said mine. Dated at Rossland, B. C., this 12th day of March, A. D. 1898. F. E. SNOODGRASS, Secretary, St. Elmo Gold Mining Co.

Advertisement for RICHARD PLEWMAN, Rossland. Includes text: "Notice to Stockholders. The first general meeting of the stockholders of the Early Bird Gold Mining Company, limited liability, will be held at the office of the company in the Veldt, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., at 2 p. m. Monday, March 29, 1898. R. S. ANDERSON, Acting Secretary." Also includes a list of stock quotations and a list of stocks for sale.

Advertisement for RICHARD PLEWMAN, Rossland. Includes text: "Imperial Block. P. O. Box 750. Rossland, B. C." and "SPECIAL OFFERS. 5,000 Grand Prize, 2c; 10,000 Montezuma, Sloan, 21c; 400 Colonna, 20c; 500 Jim Blaine, 43c; 2,500 Buffalo, 3c; 1,000 Rambler-Cariboo, 34c; 3,000 Noble Five, 18c; 500 Republic, \$2.50; 3,000 Arlington, 8c." Also includes text: "List your stocks with me; then they will not hang fire." and "Call or write for information."

Vertical advertisement on the left side of the page. Includes text: "d in solid Work of Queen.", "FOSTER, DUKE, Jr., FINCH, CHMIDT.", "CO.", "mbia.", "\$1 each;", "or; EDWARD owner; HON. HAYWARD; R; LEO. H.", "le.", "EEN", "Cariboo", "B. C.", "Shares,", "D, B. C.", "Proposition", "S MINES, LIMITED", "The Ophir and Oregon", "average assays 1000", "per oz. gold, values", "cent copper, 30-oz", "Good facilities for", "ing. The promoters", "pooled shares at three", "of developing the", "on a shipping basis", "reasury shares which", "only \$500,000, of", "for working capital", "celebrated Lardau", "and other well-known", "ed will require \$100", "is contained in the", "er or wire. As a few", "this opportunity, orders", "will have precedence.", "NGLEY & Co.", "D. B. C.", "Mining Stocks", "din-Jackson Company", "P. O. Box 406", "ess. 'Reddin.' Codes", "FEATURES.", "were wide apart", "stocks. This was", "of Le Roi, War", "Dear Park, Good", "on Mask. Buyers", "ice and sellers re-", "are the result.", "The Good Hope has", "ie certainly the", "od Friday.", "Monte Cristo, 20", "Noble Three(silver), 10", "Nick Up, 11 1/2", "ed Mountain View, 4", "Rosland Star, 15", "Roderick Dhu, 15", "Salmo Con, 15", "St. Elmo, 6 1/2", "Silver Bear, 11 1/2", "Twin, 25", "Virginia, 21", "White Bird, 15", "Wate, 15", "Today.", "ject to sale the fol-", "4,000 Red Mt. View, 2 1/2", "1,000 O. K., 4 1/2", "5,000 Jim Blaine, 43 1/2", "2,000 Evening Star, 5", "4,000 Silverline, 5", "2,000 Centre Star, 2 1/2", "OCKS WITH US.", "ash buyers.", "eloped Mines", "Sale.", "Jackson Co.", "Liability.", "ts and Brokers.", "May, 1895.", "October, 1896.", "n Rossland Real", "ate.", "Ave., Rossland."

Almost Prisoners During the Winter Months

Confinement in Badly Ventilated Rooms Has Helped to Poison the System and Implant Seeds of Disease.

Thousands Have Lost in Strength and Weight and Are Broken in Health.

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A SUCCESSFUL MISSION.

F. W. Rolt of the Rossland Delegation, Returns From Victoria.

F. W. Rolt, the last to return of the delegates appointed by the city council to interview the provincial government regarding the public needs of Trail Creek division, arrived home on Friday.

Mr. Rolt expressed himself as well pleased with the efforts of the delegation, but declared that four formal interviews with the government and numerous conversations with members of the legislature were necessary in order to obtain the concessions. He explains that the failure to have a land registry office established here, instead of at Nelson, lies in the fact that the committee which had charge of the incorporation of Rossland last year conceded that it should go to Nelson if no delay was occasioned in establishing a supreme court registry office here. In speaking of his trip Mr. Rolt said:

"I am forced to admit that the people of the coast do not appreciate the importance of the mining industry of this district, and so long as they refuse to recognize the justice of our plea that Kootenay is made to suffer by a large discrepancy between the revenue that is paid into the Provincial treasury and the amount of money that is annually expended in public works here, it is not our fault if they accuse us of sectionalism. I am convinced that in the past with appropriations for Kootenay, the feeling against the present administration would not have been so pronounced. However, I am happy to say that the government now seems to have a clearer idea as to the proper policy for the administration of affairs in southern British Columbia. The delegation simply did its duty, but it is, nevertheless, a fact that had it not been for their urgent representations, Kootenay would very probably have fared badly in the matter of appropriations and representation at this session of the legislative assembly. When we had our first interview with the leaders of the government they seemed unwary and were not inclined to give due consideration to our claims. We were received with great politeness, but could obtain no satisfactory pledges. It was not until our last conference with the premier and his fellow ministers that we could safely congratulate ourselves on our success. I felt utterly to understand what reason existed at the time the confident assurances were telegraphed from Victoria, previous to the arrival of the delegation there, that the government had granted all that was asked for by this district."

MONGOLIAN PHEASANTS.

Local Nimrods Should Import a Few to Stock This Section.

In the office of the British America corporation is a Mongolian pheasant that has been beautifully mounted. These birds are adorned with the most beautiful plumage and when mounted make a tasteful ornament. There are a number of them in Oregon and Washington and a few in British Columbia. They are a native of eastern Asia, and those that are on this coast came from Corea. About 14 years since Mr. Denny, who was then minister from the United States to Corea, sent a number of golden, silver and bronze pheasants to the Multnomah Rod and Gun club of Portland, of which organization he was a member. A part of these were turned out in the Willamette valley and the remainder put on Protection Island, which is close to Victoria, but on the American side. The legislature of Oregon passed a law which prevented the killing of pheasants for a term of years, and they increased and multiplied so that they have spread over a large area of Oregon. They are a hardy game bird and will flourish where those endowed with less grit and rustic would perish.

In the meanwhile the gay deceiver, Peter Matson, is languishing in the city jail waiting for a hearing of his case. A curious sidelight in connection with the affair is the fact that Matson was responsible for the sending of the disheveled, South Dakota, which informed him of the whereabouts of the missing wife. It is known that he and a friend went to the telegraph office in this city and there they made up the dispatch and paid for the tolls charged for its

forwarding. Just what impelled Matson to thus give himself and the woman who had eloped with him, away, is hard to understand. This is as much of a mystery as the windup of the story of the Lady and the Tiger. Was it remorse over the betrayal of a friend, or the effects of the self-inflicted lashings that always follow a bad action? Was it because he had grown tired of the woman who had given up everything but her children and her husband's money for him? Was it because the money that they had brought with them was getting short, and for the reason that he thought when gaunt poverty entered the door that they would fly out of the window? Was it a haunting fear that the wronged husband would hunt him down and kill him that made him desire to end the suspense, just as murderers give themselves up to the authorities because of the oversight owing fear that they will be hunted down anyway? No one can answer these questions but Matson.

EASTERN TENDERFEET.

They Want to See the Pure Gold in Kootenay Ore.

Henry Roy, the mining operator, is back from a visit to the east. While he was away he visited St. John's, P. Q., Ottawa, Providence, Fall River and other points in the east. "The talk there, he said, "is principally concerning Klondike among a certain class. You show them a piece of Kootenay ore and they look at it closely and ask, "Where is the gold?" You tell them that it is in the rock and they reply, "Where is it? I cannot see it." Then they will tell you that the pure gold is to be found in the Klondike and that all one has to do to get it is to dig for it and take out the gold. I told them the gold in the Kootenay rock is not free gold and had to explain how it is extracted before they understood the situation. Many have their heads so completely turned by the Klondike excitement that nothing can be done with them. This is not the case with all and I was in a measure very successful with the proposition that I put before them, and have returned to stay."

THE MACCABEES.

The Order Successfully Established in This City.

Rossland hive of the Ladies of the Maccabees has been duly initiated during the past week by Eudocia S. Moffatt, deputy supreme commander of the order for the Northwest, with the following list of officers: Past lady commander, Lizzie Gibson; lady commander, Mary Alice Haskins; lady lieutenant-commander, Marguerite Gill; lady recorder, Eugene Paulson; lady finance keeper, Abbie Humphrey; lady chaplain, Etta May O'Brien; lady sergeant, Sarah Vautin; lady mistress at arms, Nina Perine; lady sentinel, Eva Daverport; lady picket, Rachel King.

The ladies will meet for drill at 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. on Monday next at Dominion hall, and in the evening will have an open meeting to their friends for the good of the order, to which all Maccabee ladies and sir knights and their friends are invited.

Mrs. Moffatt has with the full paraphernalia for the exemption of the work, and will give the lady Maccabees drill during the evening. Refreshments will be served on this occasion.

All ladies wishing to become members can apply at any of these meetings. Mrs. Moffatt leaves for Northport on Tuesday.

The Ladies of the Maccabees is the largest women's business corporation in the world, numbering over 84,000 members. Rossland hive is the sixth one organized in British Columbia. Lady Aberdeen is a charter member of Victoria Hive No. 1, organized over two years ago.

A FORGIVING HUSBAND.

John Hurkeramer Leaves For Dakota With His Wife.

John Hurkeramer, Mrs. Hurkeramer and their two children left on the noon train Saturday for Leads, South Dakota. It seems that the injured husband is a forgiving disposition and told one of his acquaintances in this city that he did not care to prosecute the man who had robbed him of his wife, children and money and broke up his home. When he was putting his family aboard the train he seemed in a happy frame of mind and fairly beamed with good nature.

In the meanwhile the gay deceiver, Peter Matson, is languishing in the city jail waiting for a hearing of his case.

A curious sidelight in connection with the affair is the fact that Matson was responsible for the sending of the disheveled, South Dakota, which informed him of the whereabouts of the missing wife. It is known that he and a friend went to the telegraph office in this city and there they made up the dispatch and paid for the tolls charged for its

A BIG CANAL SHEME.

It Will Cut of 1,000 Miles Between London and Liverpool.

OTTAWA, March 17.—The senate committee to look into the question of the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay ship canal met this morning. The chief promoter, McLeod Stewart, explained that the route by the Ottawa river which will cost \$20,000,000 to build, will cut off 1,000 miles in distance between Chicago and Liverpool and five days time. It will provide a 14-foot deep water way to the Georgian bay and Lake Superior through which the grain of the west can be carried at the lowest figures. The company ask for a \$300,000 subsidy for 20 years, not one cent of which is to be paid till five years after the undertaking is completed. The contract has been placed with S. Pearson & Co., one of the largest contracting firms in the world. The project has the endorsement of the most eminent engineering authorities in the world and the imperial government is expected to give a liberal subsidy this year. The company is entirely British and is ready to enter upon the undertaking at once and incidentally build four of the largest elevators in the world, open up iron mines, gold deposits and both sandstone and marble quarries. The pulp wood traffic alone, the promoter thinks, will pay for the enterprise. Letters of endorsement were read from President Van Horne and Vice-President Shaughnessy of the C. P. R.

Changes in Militia.

OTTAWA, Ont., March 19.—Col. Davidson retires from the command of the 48th Highlanders, Toronto, and is succeeded by Major Cosby. The promotion of Major Ibbotson to lieutenant-colonel of 5th Royal Scots, Montreal, is gazetted. Lieutenant-colonel Burland has resigned the command of the 6th Fusiliers, Montreal. Lord Aberdeen has been gazetted honorary lieutenant-colonel of the Montreal General's Foot Guards.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The City Debentures.

EDITOR MINER—Sir: Referring to the sale of debentures, I note by your issue of last night's meeting and your editorial on the same, you made special mention of the fact that Mr. Oliver, Mr. Wallace and Mr. Fraser considered that the bank's offer had established a credit for Rossland, and that the offer which I made for eastern parties was the result of the bank having already made one. This view I wish to point out to you is quite incorrect. In fact, the position is exactly reversed, the bank having made use of an offer previously made by me on account of eastern parties. Shortly previous to the bank's offer for the \$25,000 debentures there were offered for sale \$15,000 10-year debentures, for which I made a bid to net the purchasers 6 per cent. The bank then being asked to loan the city \$14,000 on the security of the \$15,000 debentures agreed to do so only on condition that the city issue \$85,000 25-year debentures to net the former 6 1/2 per cent. The council being very desirous of immediately securing the \$14,000 with which to pay their own salaries, accepted the proposition of the bank that they sell the former in accordance therewith. I thereupon strongly protested, pointing out to them that as my friends were prepared to make an offer to net them 6 per cent on only \$15,000 and for such a short life as 10 years, I had every reason to believe that if they had the opportunity of offering on a much larger amount, \$85,000, and for a longer life, 25 years, they would improve their offer considerably.

On the strength of this the council referred the resolution referred to and I immediately communicated with Montreal friends, asking them to make an offer for the \$85,000 debentures. They immediately wired me that they were mailing an offer. A few days later I received the same and immediately submitted it to the council.

In the meantime the bank declined to loan \$14,000 on the security of \$15,000 debentures without the city conforming to the condition that they sell the former \$85,000 debentures at the price offered. This clearly indicates that the bank was aware, besides my having personally informed Mr. Oliver that I had already made an offer and was prepared to make another, that they, therefore, were not in the position they now pretend, that is, coming to the rescue of the city at a time when no buyers could be found.

Thanking you for the space, I am,
Yours truly,
ROSSLAND, March 16, 1898.
New York & Kootenay Mining Co.
F. W. STEELE, B. C.
EDITOR MINER—Sir: Will you kindly give information as to the New York & Kootenay Mining company, limited. I would like to know what property it is working and the value of their stock.

Yours truly,
A. B. BRADLEY.

[This company owns the Lumbo No. 3 and Lumbo No. 3 fractions, about 1 1/2 miles from Rossland, on Red Mountain. The company has not done any work since January. Vice-President & Manager J. W. Boyd says there are plenty of funds on hand, and so soon as the snow goes the company will install machinery and put a full force of men to work. The ore averages \$45.—Ed.]

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8:30 a. m. Daily.	LOCAL MAIL—Cosar d'Alene, Farmington, Gardiner, Colfax, Pullman and Moscow.	6:30 p. m. Daily.
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8:00 a. m. SPOKANE	6:40 p. m. ROSSLAND

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Time Table No. 33, taking effect Jan. 21, 1898.

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For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at 7 o'clock.
Leave New Westminster to Victoria Monday at 12:15 o'clock; Thursdays and Saturdays at 7 o'clock.
For Plummer Pass—Thursdays and Saturdays at 7 o'clock.
For Pender and Moresby Islands—Thursday at 7 o'clock.

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THE BOARD OF TRADE.

The Rossland board of trade will meet at Dominion hall tomorrow evening, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

J. B. McArthur, whose term of office as president of the board of trade expires tomorrow, has emphatically stated to a representative of THE MINER that he is indifferent as to his reelection.

It is a deplorable fact that since its creation the Rossland board of trade has been of little or no benefit to the town or the surrounding country.

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which would compel them to transport ores for the British Columbia smelters and merchandise for local houses for less than a similar service is performed for smelters and merchants on the American side.

To show what a difference a few cents a ton will make was illustrated a few years since in the city of Portland, Oregon.

At one time there was no bridge across the Willamette river, and as the wheat warehouses were located on the Portland side a charge of 25 cents per ton was made for transporting wheat across the river.

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TO FAVOR LOCAL TRADE.

The policy of THE MINER in relation to the Kettle River Valley railway charter is most simple and one which is intended to build up the mercantile business and infant industries of this section.

betterments that will help to develop the great natural mineral resources will return from whence it came many fold.

A NECESSARY PROVISION.

The railway committee of the house of commons has taken up the charter of the Kettle River Valley Railway charter and has listened to arguments for and against the granting of it.

Next to the knowledge of who Great Britain's rivals are, the most important thing is to know what are the methods by which they succeed; or looking at the same thing from another side, what are the causes of the failure of the mother country to hold her own against them?

Almost all the Colonies agree that a considerable portion of the increase in foreign imports during recent years is more apparent than real, and is due to the effects of the Merchandise Marks Acts.

A GRACEFUL AOT.

There are few men in Rossland who have done so much, and none more, to promote the welfare of the camp than J. S. C. Fraser.

BRITISH TRADE.

The request of Mr. Chamberlain, the Imperial Colonial Secretary, made to the governor of every British colony for information as to the extent to which in each colony foreign imports of any kind have displaced or are displacing similar British goods, and the causes of such displacement, elicited a reply in every instance, giving in more or less complete form the information asked for.

The basis of Mr. Chamberlain's inquiry was sufficiently wide to be fairly representative, and to bring out with approximate accuracy the facts of the case.

The general result of the inquiry goes to prove that foreign imports have encroached upon, and to some extent, displaced British imports in the markets of a great majority of the Colonies.

The countries which are most frequently mentioned in the returns as seriously competing with British goods are the United States, Germany, and in some articles Belgium and Japan.

Eastern possessions; at present, because it is obvious that the next rival to all Western nations in the markets of the East.

But the name which appears most frequently in the reply of almost every colonial governor is Germany. She is England's most active and ubiquitous rival in every quarter of the globe, neglecting no method, contrivance, or expedient whereby she may force her way into the market of every one of our Colonies.

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But the tide is commencing to turn in favor of the mother country. The Colonies, one after another, are manifesting a greater desire than ever to foster British trade, and there is every reason to believe that the time is not far distant when every country and colony of the Empire will establish import duties that will discriminate against foreign nations.

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THE BOARD OF TRADE.

It is regrettable that Mr. J. S. C. Fraser could not find it convenient to accept the nomination for president of the Rossland board of trade.

A gratifying feature of the meeting Saturday evening was the large number of subscription fees paid into the secretary.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Australian colonies, following the lead of Canada, have commenced to reduce their import duties so as to give Great Britain a preference over foreign nations.

The decision of the Canadian Pacific railway to at once commence the construction of the first class steamers for the Oriental trade, shows how rapidly the volume of business is increasing between Canada and China and Japan.

The legal fraternity of British Columbia seem unanimous in their desire that a barrister of this Province, and not an eastern man, should be appointed to the vacancy on the supreme court bench made vacant by the death of Chief Justice Davie.

The Dominion government should not delay in acting on the suggestion of the Confederated Canadian Mining Institute concerning the imposition of a heavy import duty on pig lead and lead manufactures.

The statement of Mann & Mackenzie that they are willing to accept a cash

subsidy instead of a land grant for the construction of the Sticken-Teslin railway is additional proof of the business sagacity of these enterprising contractors.

Certificate of Improvements.

Penobscot mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: Near the source of Stony Creek, northeast of Rossland.

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Battle Fraction mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Red Mountain, between the Surprise, You Know, and Centennial mineral claims.

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Spitzee mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the west boundary of Rossland townsite.

Certificate of Improvements.

Gladiator mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: At the head of Champion Creek and about three-quarters of a mile north of the Jeff Davis and Free Coinage mineral claims.

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Black Hawk No. 1 mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the east side of Champion Creek about four miles from its mouth.

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Red Bird No. 3 mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 1,000 feet north of the International boundary line, six miles west of the Columbia river.

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Big Chief mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About one-half mile west from Barney O'Brien's ranch.

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FROM OTHER CAMPS

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THE BOUNDARY COUNTRY

It is the scene of intense activity—East Kootenay Coal Ship From 150 to 200 Tons Per Day—News of the Big Bend Placers.

News from the outside camps, this week, indicates that the coming warm weather will witness an era of greater activity than ever before in the entire Kootenay country.

SLOCAN DIVISION.

At the annual meeting of the Dardanelles Mining Co., held in Kaslo, all the old directors were re-elected.

The concentrator at the Slocan Star resumes operations as soon as water becomes plentiful.

The Northern Belle, in the Jackson Basin, has ordered machinery for a concentrator.

April 5 is the date set for the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Goodenough Mining Co. at Kaslo.

Eighteen men are now working on the Whitewater Deep.

The force on the Galena Farm properties has been increased.

The Rosebery concentrator will have a daily capacity of 100 tons.

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NELSON DIVISION.

It is given out that work is to be resumed on the Mollie Gibson group on Kokanee creek.

The general annual meeting of the Bright Prospects Mining & Development company, limited, will be held at the office of the company in Nelson on April 12.

Messrs. Watson and Kennedy, who have the contract for the Winnipeg & Enreka Mining company, for 200 feet of tunneling on the Summit claim situated on Toad Mountain.

The old tunnel on the Dardanelles mine is in 204 feet, showing a strong lead from three to six feet in width.

The ore is a free gold quartz carrying gold. At 117 feet the ore assayed \$280 in gold to the ton.

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The claim is looking well. The main tunnel is now in 104 feet. The ore is galena and carbonates.

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The Columbia ore body is of iron sulphides about eight feet wide at the disjunct post.

South of and adjoining the Anaconda is the Forest Grove with the same quartz and lime contact.

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To the south and west of the Columbia is the Lancaster on which a 12-foot shaft has been sunk.

The Columbia lies to the south of the Anaconda.

South of the Lancaster is the Marguerite, owned by Dr. McMartin, J. P. Harlan and E. C. Brown.

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A crosscut has been run 15 feet from the shaft at a depth of 30 feet, discovering a good body of ore.

Quite a number of buildings are being put up this spring.

Two shifts are working on the Atholstan. A new shaft is being sunk about 150 feet from the old one.

EAST KOOTENAY.

The tunnel on the Estella is now in 301 feet.

The Swansen claim is situated on the east bank of Wild Horse creek.

Mr. Bostock has presented in the house at Ottawa a petition for the East Kootenay railway obtaining a charter.

The Midland, which is now being worked by the North Star company, has a shaft down 75 feet.

William Vose has uncovered a large lead of gold quartz on the Spirit claim 28 feet in width.

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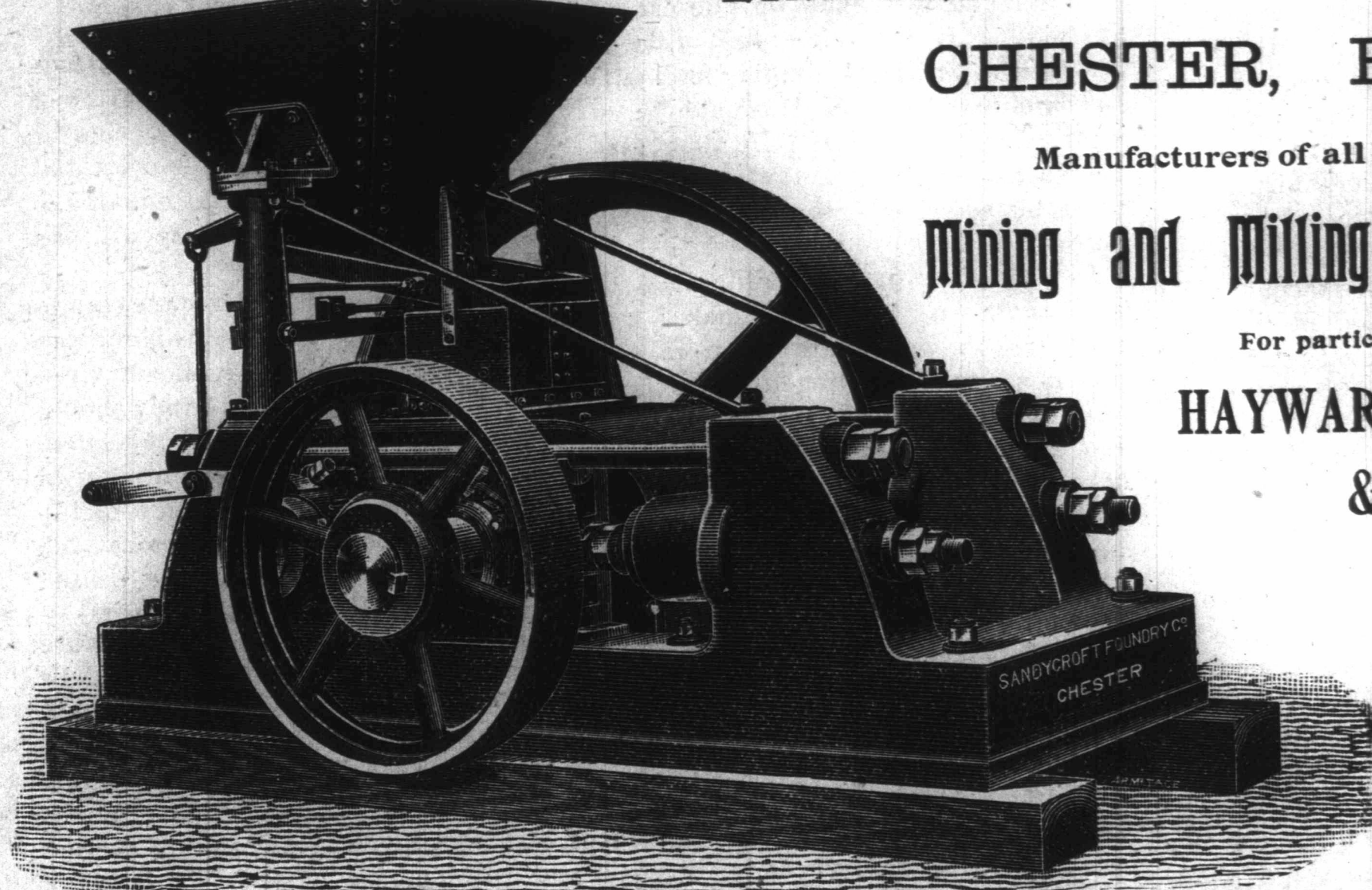
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A copy of the Truck act recently introduced in the provincial legislature by Mr. Kellie, member for this district, has been received from Victoria.

Section 10 provides that nothing in the act shall be construed to extend to prevent any employer or any agent from supplying or contracting to supply workmen with medicine or medical attendance, or any fuel, or any materials, tools or implements to be used by such workmen employed at his trade or occupation.

Section 11 provides that no deduction shall be made from a workman's wages for the sharpening or repairing of tools, except by agreement, not forming a part of the conditions of the hiring.

Section 12 provides where deductions are made from the wages of a workman for the wages of a workman for medical or medical attendance, or tools, the employer at least once every year shall submit to two auditors appointed by the workmen.

Section 13 provides that nothing in the act shall be construed to prevent the employer from advancing to a workman money contributed by him to any friendly aid society established according to the laws of the Province, nor from advancing him money for his relief in sickness.

Section 14 provides that nothing in the act shall be construed to render invalid the payment of any contract for payment of wages in the notes of the chartered banks of Canada, and up to the first of July, 1898, in the gold and silver coin of the United States.

Section 15 makes it unlawful, too, for an employer to charge a workman a penalty, discount or interest on arrearages made before the regular pay day.

Section 16 is sufficiently important to be quoted in its entirety. "No employer shall, directly or indirectly, by himself or his agent, impose as a condition, express or implied, in or for the employment of any workman, any terms as to the place at which, man, any terms in which, or the person with whom any workman is to board, lodge, subside, or reside, or as to the place at which, or the manner in which, or the person with whom any wages or portion of the wages are to be paid to the workman or are to be expended, and no employer shall, by himself or his agent, dismiss any workman from his employment from or on account of the place at which, or the manner in which, or the person with whom any wages or portion of the wages are to be paid to the workman or are to be expended, or fail to be expended."

Section 17 imposes the penalty for breaking the law. It is provided that if first offence that the punishment shall be imprisonment for one month or without hard labor, and on a second offence, exceeding \$50, and for the second and each subsequent offence, imprisonment for not more than six months and a fine of not less than \$25, nor more than \$500. The remainder of the sections prescribe how the law shall be carried out, and among other things it states that it shall be the duty of the inspectors of mines to enforce its provisions.

Section 9 provides that in any action brought for the recovery of wages a workman shall have or be entitled to maintain an action against any workman for or in respect for any goods sold, delivered or supplied to such workman.

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