

FOR LARGE STAKES.

A Big Game Is Now Being Played Among Railroads in Kootenay.

FOUR BIG CORPORATIONS

Great Northern Has a Line From Albany Falls to Trail in Mind—Northern Pacific and C. P. R. After the Corbin System.

There is much speculation as to the meaning of the bonding of a large piece of ground adjoining the town of Trail on the south. There are about 80 acres in the tract and it abuts squarely up against the west bank of the Columbia river. There was a rumor that the Gooderham people of Toronto were back of the move and that they wanted the ground for a smelter site. This, however, was a very unreasonable story, for the purchasers would hardly build a rival smelter at Trail with Mr. Heinze owning the only practicable line of transportation from Rossland there. Mr. Blackstock, who is certainly competent to speak for the Gooderham syndicate, says that if they go into a smelter scheme anywhere it will be at Northport. It is not at all probable the Gooderham people or anybody else will embark in a smelting venture at Trail without being in possession of some reliable line of transportation to the mines from which they would expect to draw their ore supply.

The miner has made very diligent efforts to learn the true meaning of the bonding of the land at Trail, and there is good reason to believe it was done for either the Northern Pacific or the Great Northern railway company. Agents of both companies have been at Trail a good deal in the past month. It is positively known that an engineer in the employ of the Great Northern has been making careful observations all the way from Trail to Waneta. Presumably this is with the purpose of looking up a route for a branch in the Kootenay country from the main line. It is absolutely certain that the Great Northern desires to get into a position to secure a share of this growing business of Kootenay. There is an excellent route available from Albany Falls, where the main line of the Great Northern crosses Pend Oreille river, into Kootenay, by way of the Pend Oreille river to Waneta, and up the Columbia river to Rossland, and thence to Trail.

The distance from Albany Falls to the mouth of the Pend Oreille river at Waneta is about 100 miles. Construction of a line would be very inexpensive from Albany Falls to Box canyon, as it would follow the level Callieville valley. The 40 miles from Box canyon to the mouth of the Pend Oreille is through a very rough country, but the engineering difficulties are by no means insurmountable. The distance from Waneta to Trail is about ten miles, so that a branch from the Great Northern from the main line at Albany Falls to Trail would be only about 110 miles long.

It need not be a matter of surprise if the Great Northern builds this branch during the present year. President Hill of that road went to New York the other day, accompanied by Mr. Stephens, his chief engineer, and it is hardly probable that he would have taken Mr. Stephens unless the purpose of his visit was to arrange for some important construction work.

The Northern Pacific is just as anxious to get a foothold in Kootenay as the Great Northern. What lends color to the story that the Northern Pacific has bonded the land on the south of the Trail townsite is the fact that agents of that company are known to have been at Trail frequently of late. One of these agents came direct from the general office of the company at St. Paul. But the more probable course of the Northern Pacific would be to make a close alliance with the Corbin system. The personal relations between Mr. Corbin and the Northern Pacific people have always been of the most pleasant character. It was the Northern Pacific which purchased in 1888 the road that connects Corbin built from Hauser Junction to Ostru d'Alene City and the narrow-gauge from Mission, on the Couer d'Alene river, into the Couer d'Alene mines. It has often been hinted of late that the Northern Pacific would try to secure the Spokane Falls & Northern, Nelson & Fort Sheppard and Red Mountain lines. No doubt they would like to have such a property. It is today the finest thing of the kind west of the Rocky mountains if not in America. With this property in its possession, the Northern Pacific would occupy an almost impregnable position so far as its British Columbia business is concerned.

But there is another factor to be considered and that is the Canadian Pacific. That company proposes to get into the Kootenay country with both feet and the one horn in the flesh to them is the Corbin system, which comes from the south and spreads out like a fan all over C. P. R. territory. Would it strike anybody there as being unreasonable if the C. P. R. tried to get the Corbin system? It would give an outlet to Spokane and the south and remove a dangerous rival. It is pretty certain that the C. P. R. has come to an understanding with Mr. Heinze and that the understanding consists of a traffic arrangement in which C. P. R. cars are to run into Trail and Roseland over the Columbia & Western from Robson, with certain lateral provisions such as the delivery of ores from the Slokan country to the smelter. The next thing to do is to get the Corbin system and we think a good deal more is going on in this direction than the outside world suspects. The railroad situation, take it altogether, is exceedingly interesting here in West Kootenay. This is a much coveted country just now. There is more prospective business for railroads in southern British Columbia than any other region on the continent and they are going to be some very startling plays made by those in the present game.

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TAKES HIGH BAK.

Monita Ore Continues to Yield Exceedingly Good Results.

Much interest is being aroused among mining men in the camp by the high assays from the Monita shaft. An assay made by the chemist of the City of Spokane last Monday showed five and one-half ounces of gold and 24 ounces of silver, a total value of \$125 per ton. An assay made yesterday for John B. Cook showed \$85 in gold and silver. Others made previously were \$41 and \$49 in gold. These tests leave no doubt whatever as to the high grade of the Monita ore; indeed, it seems to take rank with the highest grade ore ever found in the camp.

THE LAST CHANCE GROUP

It Has Been Incorporated by the Owners for \$500,000.

Three Cars of High Grade Ore Being Shipped Weekly—Deal Pending on the Cinderella-Cordelia Strike.

SANDON, Jan. 25.—[Special.]—The Last Chance property, consisting of seven claims, the Last Chance, Blizard, Little Widow, Starlight No. 3, Starlight Fraction, Florida Fraction and Silver Chord, about 175 acres in all, is stocked for \$600,000. E. H. Tomlinson is president; W. H. Hendry, vice-president; F. A. Woods, secretary-treasurer and general manager. It is rather unique in its management and also in its being a mine stocked for private convenience and not for the public. The officers named are the only stockholders and there is no stock for sale. Most of the work has been done on the Last Chance and it consists of two tunnels, one 250 feet long in which the ore is from 6 to 30 inches wide; the other tunnel was driven in 150 feet to crosscut the lead and then driven 200 feet on the lead. There are two stopes between these two levels from which the ore has been taken out. The levels are 85 feet apart. In the lower tunnel there are two feet of ore. Shipments are being made at the rate of three cars a week. The ore averages 185 ounces in silver and 75 per cent lead.

At this mine there has been no development work done this winter. Fourteen men are now employed taking out the ore between the two tunnels. This will keep them employed till February, when operations will be suspended for the season. A \$20,000 dividend was paid a short time ago and another of the same amount will be paid on March 1. This is the net profit on about 700 tons of ore after paying all charges for mining and development since work was first begun on the property. There is a deal under way to bond the Cinderella, one mile from Three Forks. On this property is a 300-foot tunnel in which there are strings of quartz, the assay being 140 ounces in silver and \$23 in gold to the ton. They expect to strike a paying ledge with 100 feet more tunnel. The bond is \$7,000 for a control. The Black Hills property on the Kaslo & Slokan railway, recently sold to coast parties, will probably be turned over to the bank in a few days. An expert is now on the way to report on the property. The tunnel is now in about 75 feet and shows an eight-foot ledge of quartz carrying sulphides of silver, but no lead. The ore assays 110 ounces in silver per ton.

The Tip-top, Maggie, Nellie D. and Cody Star have been bonded by Victoria parties for \$7,000. These claims are near Cody. W. E. Terrill has purchased Archie O'Farrell's one-half interest in the Cody sawmill. Six inches of ore assaying 300 ounces of silver have been struck on the Cordelia. John Gillis, who was killed in the Snowalides at the Ibez, was well known in Alnsworth. He was on his way from the bunk house to the stable when the slide came upon him. Fifty men from the Ibez and Whitewater mines searched for the body for two days, but failed to discover it.

The recent sale of the Mara boat line to the C. P. R. has set people speculating upon the probable action of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway. They think the latter will not permit the boats sold to the C. P. R. to carry their freight across the lake to connect with the Kaslo & Slokan railway at Kaslo. It is further believed that if the C. P. R. builds the road to the foot of Slokan lake the Great Northern will build a road from Bonner's Ferry to traverse East and West Kootenay to Slokan lake.

CALLS IT A CARICATURE.

P. A. O'Farrell's Opinion of the Spokane Stock Exchange.

P. A. O'Farrell was asked the other evening by a Minner representative his opinion of the Spokane Mining exchange. "The Spokane exchange," he said, "was conceived in darkness, brought forth in folly, cradled in stupidity, and it will die in decrepitude and disgrace. Its performances are so silly that they do not reach the rank of passable farce. The whole thing from start to finish is a hollow mockery, for its self-constituted exchange of mining brokers is without clausure and money. Its members are not buying stocks for clients, but strutting and fretting their little hour upon the stage. It is a funny stage, a parody, or, rather, a caricature of the real thing, and the sooner it disappears under public contempt and ridicule the better."

EIGHT FEET OF ORE

Kootenay Tunnel Has Opened Up the Columbia's Big Chute.

ORE IS OF SHIPPING GRADE

The Strike Is Made at a Depth of 140 Feet Below the Columbia Tunnel—Progress of Work in the Kootenay's Big Chute.

The Kootenay-Columbia tunnel has opened another large body of ore. Manager Martin King has had but one assay made and that showed \$30 in gold. The ore is therefore believed to be of pay quality. It seems to be a large body, though just how large it is not impossible to say, since it has not yet been completely exposed. The tunnel is now in 400 feet, the last 100 feet being in the Columbia ground. It is generally known of course that the Columbia lies almost exactly west of the Kootenay, taking in part of the east slope of Columbia hill and the whole apex and joining the Iron Colt on the west side of the hill. The Columbia is only 1,150 feet long, hence it is 1,050 feet from the present face of the tunnel to the west end line of the claim. When the tunnel was started on the Kootenay ground it ran about 100 feet on the ledge and then exposed a magnificent body of ore, which is now being worked by both overhead and underground stoping. From this ore chute the mine is already shipping about 100 tons a week and will be shipping much more as soon as more stoping ground can be opened. Several troublesome porphyry dykes were encountered in running the tunnel the next 300 feet, but more or less ore was present between these dykes. It is a matter of surprise that they should be there for they had already been found on the surface and in a tunnel run on the Columbia 140 feet above.

HE WAS FROZEN TO DEATH

Dan McMillan Overcome by the Cold on His Way Home.

He Was One of the Blythe at the Burns Banquet—A Native of Nova Scotia.

AGED and feeble Dan McMillan rejoiced for the last time on earth at the celebration of the anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns at the Grand Union Monday night. He shook hands and parted with his fellows at 3 o'clock in the morning, and at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning was found lying frozen and almost lifeless near his cabin. At 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon he died at the Sisters' hospital. On Monday evening the Scotchmen of Rossland held a meeting to celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns. The event was duly chronicled in THE MINER, but the sequel comes now. At the banquet table Monday night Mr. McMillan was as bygone as anyone. In spite of his 60 odd years he took the floor like a colliant. In the small hours of the morning he started out for his cabin, which is on the hill on Nickel Plate flat. He never reached it. In the morning darkness he missed his way and fell into another gully, and lay down to review the situation. The treacherous cold chilled him and in the morning he was found frozen stiff. He was taken to the Sisters' hospital where all possible restorative means were used, but he never regained consciousness except to mutter "Sister, 'e'sing to die." At 2 p.m. yesterday Old Mac quit prospecting in the Kootenay.

He was about 65 years of age and was born at Antigonish, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. He has followed mining for a long time, and has recently come to Hinkley, Mont., to Rossland about a year ago. The only known relative he has is a niece, Isabelle McMillan, who resides at 15 Adams street, Newton, Mass. His mining partner, Alex. MacMaster, of Hinkley, Mont., was notified by wire yesterday of his demise, as was his niece, who was also informed that his friends here would attend to the funeral. As his name was found in his watch, a letter from his niece thanking him for a Christmas present of a bank book. He has no funds now deposited at his credit. D. W. McLeod has taken quite an interest in the affairs of the deceased and J. H. Good, who recently made some mining transfers for McMillan, is attending to the corpse, pending the coming of a hearse. Mr. Wilson, of the Mining and Scientific Press, when asked about Mr. McMillan's death, said: "Yes, I was present when he died. I was never so much shocked in my life. I left him at 11 o'clock yesterday, and when I heard he was at the Sisters' hospital I went to see him. He sat next to me at supper and we were 'joshing' all the time. There was nothing on the face of God's earth that I would not have done for him, and to think of his lying down in the pitiless snow when we were all comfortable and warm is too horrible. He went out into the cold night, and being a man well up in years a cold wave struck him. I was with him when he died and all I have got to say is that when I have to face my Maker I hope I can go to Him with the same peacefulness that poor old Mac did. I have been all over the world, but I never saw a man pass in his checks surrounded by more loving kindness and tenderness than Mac had from the sisters."

WILL HAVE TO HUSTLE.

Large Surveying Party Sent Out to Survey Railroad Lands.

The largest surveying party ever sent out to Rossland left Monday to commence the survey of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway company's land grant on the east side of the track between Waneta and Nelson. There were these parties sent out by T. B. Smith, surveyor in charge, and they were composed of 30 men. Other smaller parties are being outfitted and will join the first party in a few days. The work must be completed by April 1.

RECORD MOUNTAIN MINES.

Several Properties There on Which Considerable Work Has Been Done.

A good deal of attention is at present being paid to the claims on Record Mountain, and it would seem as if some good properties would be opened up there during the coming season. The Wallingford has a good deal of development work done upon it and has a well defined ledge 3½ feet in width, carrying a high grade copper ore assaying 20 per cent copper, 12 ounces silver and \$2.40 in gold. With a comparatively small amount spent upon this claim it will probably pay the expenses of further development. The Freddy B., adjoining the Wallingford, was worked all summer in 1895 and has a great showing of mineral on the surface. This claim is well worthy of being developed and has every promise of being a mine. The Zoo Battino and Bismark Mining Company, owned by the Walla Walla Mining company, has some good showings for the work done and it is to be hoped this company will get in and push development on its property. The Freddy B., adjoining the Wallingford, was worked all summer in 1895 and has a great showing of mineral on the surface. This claim is well worthy of being developed and has every promise of being a mine.

SHORT OF FUNDS.

Squatters' Committee Has Only \$112 in Hand to Fight With.

From the amount of cash subscribed to the squatters' eviction fund at a late hour Tuesday night and placed with A. Klockmann, treasurer of the committee, it appears that the special committee appointed to collect money to defray the expenses of resisting evictions, has not met with great success so far. The total amount of cash subscribed Monday was \$125.25 and since then \$27.75 has been paid, making a total of \$153. From this has been deducted \$56 paid out for information obtained by the investigating committee and the expenses incurred in the Eagles-Engleish case, leaving cash on hand \$112. Again Postponed. The criminal case of malicious destruction of property brought against Henry Eagles and Gus Engleish by Architect Taylor was called for hearing by H. M. Townsend, J. P., for the second time yesterday, and by consent of all parties concerned was again postponed for eight days to await termination of the eviction case at Nelson. Mr. Townsend's case at hand he would be obliged to take cognizance of the merits of the dispute involving a civil action, over which he had no jurisdiction.

ARE SOME FINE SHOWINGS ON THE SURFACE AND HERE THERE IS ALSO FOUND THE SAME CLASS OF ORE AS THAT DISCOVERED ON THE WALLINGFORD. THIS CLAIM IS ABOUT ONE AND A QUARTER MILES FROM THE WALLINGFORD. W. C. Archer has just contracted with Mr. J. A. Kirk for surveying and crown granting the Wallingford, Freddie B. and Minnie Moore claims.

REAL ESTATE SALES

Montreal Syndicate Bought 26 Lots Yesterday for \$8,000.

THE REAL ESTATE SALES (Tuesday) were the heaviest for some time. J. E. Mills sold for the Montreal syndicate 28 lots, costing over \$8,000. Of these J. E. Miller, of Winnipeg, took for himself and friends 22. The other four went to people here in town who will build homes on them. Mr. Miller, in making of his purchase said he had visited Rossland several times and had become convinced the place would have a great future. He will make improvements on some of the lots purchased and hold the others for an advance.

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EASTERN CANADA, DURING WHICH TIME HE FORMED A STRONG SYNDICATE TO TAKE OVER THE HATTIE MINE. THE SYNDICATE PROPOSES TO DEVELOP THE HATTIE IN A THOROUGH AND ENERGETIC MANNER. A CONTRACT HAS ALREADY BEEN LET FOR SINKING A SHAFT 100 FEET ON THE NORTH OR BIG VEIN, WHICH WILL MAKE A TOTAL DEPTH OF 125 FEET. WE MAY EXPECT SOME GOOD RESULTS IN THE HATTIE AT NO DISTANT DAY, AS IT IS ONE OF OUR MOST PROMISING UNDEVELOPED PROPERTIES.

THE DEER PARK SHAFTHOUSE IS COMPLETED AND THE MACHINERY, WHICH IS EXPECTED EVERY DAY, WILL BE IMMEDIATELY HAULED TO THE MINE AND PUT INTO PLACE. THE SHAFT IS BEING TIMBERED AND WIDENED. IN THE CROSSCUT AT THE 106-FOOT LEVEL ABOUT 40 FEET HAS BEEN RUN TOWARDS THE FOOTWALL AND THE FACE OF THIS TUNNEL IS ALL SOLID ORE. FROM THIS CROSSCUT A DRIFT HAS BEEN RUN 12 FEET PARALLEL TO THE DIRECTION OF THE VEIN WHICH SHOWED VERY FINE ORE ALL THE WAY. THE VEIN IN THE DRIFT AND CROSSCUT ON THE 100-FOOT LEVEL SEEMS TO AVERAGE ABOUT \$30 PER TON. IT SMELTER RETURNS SHOW UP EQUALLY WELL THE DEER PARK WILL BE ONE OF THE BIGGEST MINES AND RICHEST BONANZAS IN THE CAMP.

WILL TREAT SLOKAN ORES

Trail Smelter Has Made Contracts With Several Silver-Lead Mines.

Traffic Arrangement Completed With the C. F. R.—New Furnaces Will Be Added to the Plant at Once.

IT WAS STATED SOME TIME AGO THAT F. ANG. HEINZE, OF THE TRAIL SMELTER, HAD MADE THE STATEMENT THAT IF HE COULD SECURE A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF CONTRACTS FROM OWNERS OF LEAD AND SILVER MINES IN THE SLOKAN COUNTRY HE WOULD PUT IN FURNACES FOR THE TREATMENT OF SUCH ORE. THE MAXON IS IN A POSITION TO SAY THAT A NUMBER OF SUCH CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH MR. HEINZE AND THAT THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS ARE NOW BEING MADE TO TREAT LEAD AND SILVER ORES AT THE TRAIL SMELTER.

THESE ORES ARE TO BE BROUGHT TO TRAIL VIA ROBSON OVER THE C. P. R. LINE TO BE PUT IN OPERATION BETWEEN SLOKAN CROSSING AND SLOKAN LAKE, AND THE LINE UP THE COLUMBIA RIVER TO ROBSON, NOW BEING BUILT BY MR. HEINZE HIMSELF. THESE ORES WILL COME TO THE TRAIL SMELTER AS A RESULT OF THE UNDERSTANDING RECENTLY ARRIVED AT BETWEEN THE C. P. R. AND MR. HEINZE.

THE ARRANGEMENT IS ONE OF VERY GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE ENTIRE KOOTENAY AND BOUNDARY COUNTRY. IT MEANS THAT THE CAPACITY OF THE TRAIL SMELTER IS TO BE VERY MUCH ENLARGED AND THAT IN A FEW MONTHS IT WILL BE PRODUCING BULLION AS WELL AS MATTE.

PERSONALS.

Fred Perrine of Spokane is in the city looking for a business site for Spokane parties.

Mr. and Mrs. John Manly of Grand Forks, arrived in town Monday from a trip to Victoria and other coast points.

Chester B. Ellis, representing the Melrose orchard of Moran Prairie, Washington, is in the city soliciting orders for apples, and reports good success.

James D. Sward, agent of the Ingersoll Drill Company, started for Montreal Monday morning, and will be away for some time.

B. R. McDonald, local customs officer, left for Vancouver Monday to be absent two weeks. J. Stinson will take charge of the office in Mr. McDonald's absence.

R. D. Turner, of George Gals & Sons, Waterville, P. O., is in town. He has extensive manufactures of brass bedsteads, mattresses, etc., and he reports very heavy orders on his trip.

S. F. Griawold, who was at Wainburg, Washington, during the earlier part of the winter, has returned to Rossland and is making preparations for active operations in the new mining district in upper Sheep creek.

Percy Galt of Toronto, who came out as the legal representative of the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate in the matter of the War Eagle purchase, left for home Monday, having successfully concluded his business.

G. W. Callahan, manager of the Vancouver syndicate left for London Tuesday morning, and will be absent about three months. Before leaving he let a contract for continuing the tunnel on the Deadwood 100 feet further, which will give it a total length of 285 feet on the vein.

Alexander Dick, who with A. B. Mackenzie, bonded some important properties on Slokan lake in December, is now in St. John, N. B. He was recently in Halifax and was interviewed about West Kootenay to the extent of several columns by one of the papers there. He carries with him an excellent store of very correct information.

V. A. Schilling, city passenger and ticket agent of the O. R. & N. Co., passed through Rossland Saturday on his return to Portland from the Slokan country. He is gathering data for advertising literature in West Kootenay to be published by his company. He says indications point to an enormous travel from the south to British Columbia this season.

EVENTS IN MONTREAL.

Board of Trade Election—Bessarabad Is Improving—Minor Mention.

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—John McKerron was elected president of the Montreal board of trade today by 11 majority. The other officers elected are as follows: First vice-president, James Chalmers; second vice-president, C. F. Smith; treasurer, Henry Lefe.

Minister Fisher announces that he has completed arrangements with a shipping company here for additional tonnage for agricultural and dairy produce. A movement has been started for a subscription to assist Bishop Langens in the agitation for separate schools. Mr. Bengrand ex mayor and proprietor of La Patrie, whose rooms were summoned to his bedside Monday, expecting death, is somewhat improved.

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THEY WILL RESIST

Squatters' Meeting Decides to Defend the Ejectment Suits.

LEDDY AND CURTIS TALK

They Advise the Squatters to Secure Counsel and Are Themselves Retained—More Money Needed as Only \$195 Has Been Raised So Far.

More money to fight eviction was the battle cry at the meeting of squatters at International Monday night.

Smith Curtis then appeared and was asked by the chairman to give the results of the committee's researches.

At the close of Mr. Curtis' speech a number of men came forward and subscribed.

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PROSPECTS

Mines Around Grand Up Well Under

JUMPED FROM

Stock in English and Has Taken a Rise on Kettle River Foot of Ore.

GRAND FORKS, Jan. 28.—[Every] the mining interests of the future, and the future of the mining industry in general, is being discussed in every direction.

The three stage line every day loaded with from here to all parts of the country.

The recent strike in greater importance. The ore is pyrites, through which fine sulphide rich in Contractor Keough is reported that he has machinery upon the site with development.

Work progresses in property, where it is 10 feet of solid ore is Minnie is located in mine, and is owned by others, of Grand Forks is being sunk in contract.

Several prominent to be opened in Grand the first of the month them is the Cosmopolis by Smith & block to be constructed and others, and an Seattle and Volcanic Bridge and Rivers building for Manly corner of Bridge and a fine residence on M. Cummings, president the new town corner and imposing Simpson and R. E. mill men, are getting 1,000,000 feet of logs the demand for practicable in the new enterprises to be a cigar factory, a furniture house and all a sampler and The new brewery is day.

Volcanic Company There is liable to regarding operations company gets ready rumored that parties and liens on the p them from so doing time comes. Volcanic would have some difficulties as it will become a mining position.

INCORPORATED

Graduated Scale of Capitalization and Victoria Province repeatedly urged the upon the capitalized only as a deterrent capitalization but as to the government, mittee of the British trade, in its recent tution, makes the tion, we notice, and ing scale of fees, 200,000,000 on all incorporated, showing for the purpose of which would have country:

Table with columns for Capital up to and Suggest fees for. Rows include \$100,000, \$200,000, \$300,000, \$400,000, \$500,000, \$600,000, \$700,000, \$800,000, \$900,000, \$1,000,000.



PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Mines Around Grand Forks Showing Up Well Under Development.

JUMPED FROM 5 TO 20

Stock in English and French Company Has Taken a Rise—Placer Diggings on Kettle River—Minnie Has Ten Feet of Ore.

GRAND FORKS, Jan. 24.—[Special Correspondence.]—Everything pertaining to the mining interests surrounding Grand Forks, and the future outlook for business interests, is decidedly bright. Mines in every direction from here are proving richer with depth and development, and the small company interests for stock speculations are in demand for trade and cash investments.

The stock of the English & French company, whose possessions are near the Volcanic mine, has increased five cents during the past four days, since the strike in the mine. It started out at five cents last December, and has gradually increased in value until now you cannot get a reasonable block for twenty cents per share. One man holds 250,000 shares, and he now finds no trouble in "shuffling off" small blocks at good figures to keep up his "go-as-you-please" hilarities. Others are holding on to their securities in stock and getting hold of all they can.

The three stage lines arrive in town every day loaded with strangers who go from here to all parts of the country seemingly looking for investments. Several deals have been made here lately, a few of small financial denominations, while the majority are up in the thousands. There are numerous bonds and options expiring on or about the first of March which, if consummated, will be of great importance and value to this section and through which transactions a great deal of capital will be invested.

The R. Bell Strike. The recent strike in the R. Bell is of greater importance than at first supposed. The ore is a fine-grained iron pyrites, through which is scattered a fine sulphide rich in copper and gold. Contractor Knight informs your correspondent that he has advised the Salt Lake company to at once place hoisting machinery upon the property and proceed with development work.

A new feature in mining interests has recently been developed here, and that is that some of the finest placer bars and channel diggings exist in this country that have yet been found. On Fourth of July creek, three miles west of Grand Forks, a number of practical placer miners have been running an open cut in the gulch to reach a bed rock level and are reported to have found gravel that pans well, six feet above bed rock. It is coarse and appears in the form of a slab and sheet gold. There are also several bars upon the North Fork that are reported to be good enough for a fair day's pay by ground sluicing.

Minnie Develops Well. Work progresses finely on the Minnie property, where it is reported they have 10 feet of solid ore between walls. The Minnie is located near the Wolverine mine, and is owned by Dr. A. G. Averill and others, of Grand Forks. A 100-foot shaft is being sunk on the property by contract.

Several prominent business houses are to be opened in Grand Forks or about the first of the month. Principal among them is the Cosmos hotel on Main street by Smith & Presler; a business block to be constructed by Judge Spinks and others, and an office building for the Seattle and Volcanic company, corner of Bridge and Riverside streets; a new building for Manly & Averill on the corner of Bridge and Riverside streets; a fine residence on Main street for Chas. Cummings, president and manager of the new town company and several other and imposing residences. Mr. Simpson and B. E. Sprague, the sawmill men, are getting out from 500,000 to 1,000,000 feet of logs with which to supply the demand for lumber as soon as practicable in the spring. Among the new enterprises to be established here are a cigar factory, a furniture store, a hardware house and most important of all a sampler and assaying enterprise. The new brewery began operations today.

Volcanic Company's Troubles. There is liable to be some trouble regarding operations when the Volcanic company gets ready to start up. It is rumored that parties holding interests and liens on the property will enjoy them from so doing when the proper time comes. It looks as though the Volcanic would have to pass through the same difficulties as the War Eagle before it will become a mine and a paying proposition.

INCORPORATION FEES. Graduated Scale Suggested to Reduce Capitalization and Provide Revenue Victoria Province: This journal has repeatedly urged the imposition of a tax upon the capitalized value of mines, not only as a deterrent to the evil of over-capitalization but as a source of revenue to the government. The mining committee of the British Columbia Board of trade, in its recent report to that institution, makes the same recommendation, we notice, and suggests the following scale of fees to be charged by the government on all mining companies incorporated, showing at the same time, for the purpose of comparison, the fees which would have been paid in the old country:

Table with 3 columns: Capital up to, Suggested fee in B.C., Total duty and fees payable in Great Britain.

The only objection we have to these figures is that they are far too small. We favor a one per cent. tax, as we have frequently said before. Fees ranging

from a quarter to one per mill might irritate, but they wouldn't sting. If speculators want to capitalize at a million dollars, a claim which they have bonded for a thousand, let them pay for the privilege. The public exchequer at a one per cent. rate, would benefit \$10,000, and over capitalization would receive a rude check, especially if it had to put up the money before getting its certificate of incorporation. A brake which won't stop a train is absolutely useless and in this category, as regards restrictive effect, we are constrained to put the rates recommended above.

Speculation is rightly regarded as harmful, therefore it is immoral and to tax immorality is not in itself a moral proceeding—but it comes into the sphere of practical politics and there can be no greater harm in a government deriving a large income from a source of this nature than there is in its deriving a large income from excise. The more people drink the more they get drunk and the more they get drunk the larger the attendant profit to the government. This on a purely moral basis is indefensible, but morality is not under existing circumstances a dominant factor in the calculation. It ought to be, we admit, but it isn't.

The government of British Columbia may be called upon to build a railway, several railways in fact, this coming session. It can't build railways without borrowing more money, and it can't borrow more money without increasing its revenue. Clearly, the mineral resources of the country must be drawn upon, and the mining community if the question be wisely and intelligently put before them, will be the first to recognize the fact. But they will want fair play, and they should get it. The miner has as much an intelligence as the next man, but he is also as fully endowed with a sense of justice, and he is not to be put off with telegrams of the Turner type, stating that "There is a tax of 2 1/2 per cent already existing on the value of coal at mine," when, in reality, there is nothing of the sort. Throwing coal dust in the eyes of gold miners is a miserable expedient. Far better to take them into your confidence at the start and say: "Friends, the country must have more money; the mines are the most productive source we have, and mining men consequently will have to bear the brunt. I've got to tax you. Show me how and where taxation will fall on you least, and rest assured that no one in the same line of business will be left a cent cheaper than you are." But the coal barons wouldn't like it.

HAD A FORTUNE LEFT HIM

Little Chicago Cripple Falls Heir to Mines in Kootenay.

Properties Belonged to His Mother's First Husband, Who Was Divorced From Her Years Ago.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 25.—[Special.]—Among the passengers who arrived on last evening's delayed, snow bound, Great Northern train, was Mrs. Annie Camp and her little crippled son, Chas. Camp. The latter has come out here all the way from Chicago to claim a fortune left him by his step-father, Matthias Camp, which is estimated to be worth at a rough guess \$40,000. His comfortable fortune consists of Spokane real estate and mining interests in British Columbia, accumulated by Mr. Camp in a 15 years' residence in this section.

The first intimation of little Charles Camp's good fortune was revealed here in an extract published in a local paper of a week ago taken from a Chicago paper. The story was looked upon as false for the reason that very few, if any, Spokane citizens knew of the existence of a Mr. Camp in this city who was credited with a fortune of \$40,000.

From information gleaned by THE MINER's correspondent in an interview with Mrs. Camp, the mother of the young heir, at the Grand hotel this morning, it was learned that Matthias Camp had resided most of his life in British Columbia and on his ranch near Dragoon, on the Spokane & Northern road, 18 miles north of this city. Mrs. Camp stated that Mr. Camp, from whom she has been divorced for a great many years, died in British Columbia about 18 months ago and in his will he bequeathed his entire estate to his stepson Charles, who is her son by her second husband, who died two months before he was born. The will, of which she has a copy, provided that Mrs. Camp should be executrix of the estate until he attained his majority. An exact description of the location of all the property included in the estate, Mrs. Camp said she was not fully conversant with except that it consists in Spokane realty and British Columbia mining property and the ranch situated one mile from Dragoon, P. O. It is from parties at Dragoon that Mrs. Camp expects to learn the full particulars.

When Mrs. Camp learned that the train for Dragoon did not leave until the morning she decided to hire a conveyance and with her son, drove out there today. Little Charles Camp, who is to come into possession of this fortune, five years ago met with a most grievous misfortune. It was St. Patrick's day he left his mother's home to go out and witness the formation of the parade close by. To do so he was obliged to cross the railroad tracks. One train had just passed the crossing and as he darted across the tracks another flying train, coming from an opposite direction, struck him. He fell underneath the wheels, and when picked up and carried home to his mother, it was thought he was dead. Both legs had been cut off at the hips and as a result he now has to be carried wherever he goes.

Mrs. Camp has spent a small fortune in caring for her son, who has been in delicate health ever since the accident. He is now in comparatively robust health. He is intelligent and has sufficient ambition to make his way in the world despite affliction. A young boy that Mrs. Camp got from the orphanage in Chicago accompanies them to carry Charles about.

Asked how Mr. Camp came to make Charles his heir, Mrs. Camp said that during the world's fair Mr. Camp visited them in Chicago and taking a fancy, as well as pity, for the crippled boy he remembered him by leaving all his property to Charles when he died. The boy is now 13 years of age. Mrs. Camp intends to reside in future in British Columbia, but at what point she has not yet determined.

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Description of Property. The property consists of three claims situated between Wild Horse and Porcupine Creeks: The Parker, Old Bill and Light Heart. Assays Obtained. Extract from Report. J. L. Parker, mining engineer, reports as follows: "As requested by you I have examined the Dundee Gold Mining Company's property near Wild Horse creek and beg to submit the following report: These properties are situated in a rich gold bearing area between Wild Horse and Porcupine Creeks, West Kootenay District. The vein which is of quartz runs through the three claims of your property and is fifteen feet thick carrying gold and silver values and is also a fissure vein. I consider the property a very valuable one."

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The location of the properties is particularly favorable for the transportation of ore, they adjoin the celebrated Wellington siding, on the Kaslo and Slocan railway, and connected therewith by a good amount of work has been done on the properties to entitle the company to a Crown Grant, which will be applied for. The development consists of a tunnel on the Ivanhoe about 120 feet in length, tapping the Wellington vein at a depth of 46 feet, showing a width of vein between walls of 20 feet, in which were found carbonates, galena and mixed vein matter, assaying 40 oz. in silver and about 30 per cent lead, while at a depth of 183 feet on the same vein in the Wellington ground the ore assayed about 200 ounces in silver and 30 per cent lead, which is a good indication of what the ore in the Ottawa and Ivanhoe will be. In addition to the tunnel there are several open cuts where the claim has been prospected to determine course.

It is not claimed by this company that they are offering developed and paying mines, if they were it would be impossible to purchase shares at anything like the low price at which the first issue of shares will be placed on sale, but it is claimed that they are excellent prospects in a good locality, which have every indication of developing into first-class and paying mines. The standing of the men who are at the head of the company is such that investors are assured that all money paid for treasury shares will be honestly and judiciously expended for the development of the property, and none of the promoters' shares will be offered for sale, as they are content to take their chances on the results of development. The officers of the company are: President, Sandford H. Fleming, Esq., C. E., of Ottawa, Vice-President, J. Fred Ritchie, Esq., P. L. S., of Rossland, Secretary, P. G. Nash, Esq., of Rossland, Secretary-Treasurer, J. Fred Ritchie, Esq., C. E., of Ottawa, George F. Brophy, Esq., C. E., Ottawa, J. Fred Ritchie, Esq., J. K. Clark, Esq., P. G. Nash, Esq., Rossland. Among the promoters and principal stock holders are William McNally, Esq., Montreal, Harold Kennedy, Esq., Quebec, W. A. Allan, Esq., Ottawa, and J. W. McKee, Esq., Ottawa. The capital stock of the company is 1,000,000 shares par value \$1 each; 400,000 shares set aside for development purposes. The shares are fully paid and non-assessable. The company is incorporated under the laws of British Columbia, and the head office is at Rossland, B. C. 50,000 of the treasury shares are now offered at 1 1/2c each. No certificates will be issued for less than 200 shares. Send for Prospectus.

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EXCHANGE GOT MAD

They Accused "The Miner" of Publishing Unauthorized Sales.

COLONNA AND ALBERTA

Secretary Norman Reported to Our Spokane Correspondent the Alleged Colonna Sales—Mr. Clough's Explanation—Alberta Affair Our Mistake.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—After the call on the Spokane stock exchange today the members remained for a short business session. The first matter taken up was the reported sales of the exchange in THE ROSSLAND MINER of January 21, and local criticisms of them in the same issue.

Mr. Barinds announced to the members that Colonna, the stock at issue, was not listed and no record was made of any sale of such stock on that day. Much sharp criticism was indulged in against THE MINER and its Spokane correspondent, who was not present at the time.

O. F. Clough sought to explain that he had made a conditional sale of Colonna stock that day outside the exchange and supposed that through a mistake this sale had been reported on change. His explanation, however, failed to appease the wrath of the members.

In justification of his report your correspondent will state that it was furnished him by Sid Norman, secretary of the exchange.

The Colonna Quotations. Before the above was received from our Spokane correspondent we received the following message from A. A. Newbery, president of Spokane Stock exchange:

"Referring to your reported sales of Colonna on this exchange on 20th, your correspondent had no authority for such report. Colonna is not listed on this exchange, nor have there been any sales of Colonna at any price on this exchange."

In answer to the above we wired Mr. Newbery the name of our correspondent, who is a responsible and reliable journalist. At the same time we repeated Mr. Newbery's message to our correspondent, whose explanation is given above, namely, that the sale was reported to him by the secretary of the exchange, Sid Norman, and was therefore not without authority.

Price of Alberta. Yesterday we received the following message from J. W. Wentworth, president of the Alberta company:

"Your report of Alberta stock offered at three cents on Spokane exchange is false. Who is responsible? Market price is 15 cents."

Mr. Wentworth was at once informed by wire who our correspondent was, and it was also repeated to our correspondent, from whom we received the following:

"In Alberta matter I find I made a mistake in copying from secretary's sheet. Stock quoted was Butte and not Alberta."

We therefore tender an apology to those who have been injured by our mistake in quoting Alberta at 3 cents. It is once more quoted in our stock list and at 15 cents.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Spokane Quotations.

SPOKANE, Jan. 22. EDITOR MINER—Sir: The attention of the members of the Spokane Stock exchange has been called to an article in your issue of the 21st inst., headed "Were Bogus Sales," in which this exchange is accused of reporting bogus sales of Colonna stock.

At a meeting of the exchange held today I was instructed on behalf of the exchange to advise you that the reported sales never took place, and to request that you would correct your published statements.

Colonna stock is not listed on the Spokane Stock exchange, and there has never been a share of it sold in the exchange at any price.

There is another false statement regarding the Spokane Stock exchange in the same issue of your paper. In the article headed "Rossland Mining Market," you state that Alberta has been "slaughtered" in the Spokane exchange, and has been quoted as low as three cents. Alberta is not listed on the Spokane Stock exchange, and no trading of any description has taken place in this stock in the exchange.

We do not object to fair and honest criticism; on the contrary, we court it; but we object to false statements and unfair criticism. It is a very simple matter for you to obtain the official report of business done in the Spokane exchange, and our secretary has instructions to furnish the press with all information desired. Yours truly, A. A. NEWBERY, President.

[President Newbery's letter makes it plain that some "slaughtering" of stocks was attempted under cover of the exchange, and that the MINER's report stopped it.—Ed.]

Colonna Quotations.

SANDON, Jan. 25. EDITOR ROSSLAND MINER—Contention of your correspondent in issue of January 23 not true. Will explain fully upon return. Be fair, if you are not favorable to organization.

SID NORMAN. [THE MINER has no desire to be otherwise than fair towards the Spokane stock exchange, but the transactions on the exchange so far have been of such a character as to excite merely ridicule. The business on which quotations are based is not of sufficient magnitude to establish quotations. To our knowledge repeated efforts have been made by Rossland brokers to purchase stocks at quotations made by the Spokane exchange and except in the instance of 2,000 shares of Butte at 3 cents we have been unable to learn of any orders being filled at Spokane quotations.—Ed.]

Incorporation of Rossland.

Rossland, Jan. 25.

EDITOR MINER, Sir.—The paragraph inserted in your issue of the 24th inst. might lead many citizens to suppose that I am circulating the petition to the provincial legislature for the incorporation of Rossland on my own initiative, and thus cause a considerable amount of hesitancy among many who have yet to be called upon to give their signatures to this necessary document.

Although I have taken considerable interest in municipal matters during a residence of 12 years in London, England and four years in this province, yet it would be presumptuous of me, as a comparative newcomer to Rossland, to move in this matter on my own convictions. I therefore wish to explain that I am acting under the direction of the incorporation committee, duly appointed some time ago at a meeting of citizens. They have instructed me to procure as many signatures as possible before the end of January, to enable them to present a petition to our provincial legislature immediately after its opening in February, and so prevent further delay in the inauguration of what is generally felt to be an absolute necessity for the health and welfare of our town.

So far I have met with but one refusal and that from a prominent official whose influence will be used in a more direct way in the promotion of the object in view. In nearly all cases warm commendation has been expressed. In some instances "tales of woe" have been poured into my ears by sufferers at the hands of our "Provincial Sanitary Inspector," who has invoked the terrors of the law on mild, inoffensive citizens, in regard to such stuff as innocuous sink water, which he has decreed, with the despot air of a czar, must be carried away in barrels, while the houses so dealt with have been on the top of a precipice and denied any outlet even for water off the roof.

The fact is that Rossland is heartily sick and tired of the misplaced attention of such officials, as well as of the intention of the provincial government in regard to sanitary, road, sidewalk and other conveniences. Nothing except blundering and tinkering has been done in these and other matters which should be helped along by sensible government aid. The police management under Mr. Kirkup is the sole redeeming feature in the whole business. No wonder, therefore, that in circulating this petition I find that every one considers the time ripe for taking matters in our own hands, and dispensing the funds raised in our midst for our own benefit, rather than continue to send them to Victoria, there to be used for the liquidation of the bill of costs incurred in the welding, forging or building, or whatever other term may be used of that most expensive horse-marine appliance—the "Government Buildings Anchor." I am yours, etc., JOHN BLEWETT.

A Correction. JAN. 26, 1897. EDITOR MINER: Sir—In today's MINER your compositor has transmogrified my name from Bennett to Blewit. Why he should do thus puzzles me, as my name was printed plainly on the top of the letter head. It would be uncharitable to suggest that being paid for it was a hazard of connection between "Blew it in" and "Blew it." Yours truly, JOHN BENNETT.

An Invitation to Sandon. (By wire.) SANDON, Jan. 26. EDITOR ROSSLAND MINER: Sir—Curling and skating rink will open with a grand carnival on Friday. Everybody is invited and I hope some citizens of Rossland will be here. MANAGER.

THESE NEW INCORPORATIONS.

One of Them Will Acquire the Old Dominion Mine. SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 25.—[Special.]—Articles of incorporation of the La Fleur Gold Mining and Milling company were filed at the auditor's office today. The capital stock is \$1,000,000. The trustees are F. W. McGregor, William Shannon, Edward Thompson and T. A. Wells.

Articles of incorporation of the Peerless Gold Mining company were also filed with the auditor today. The capital stock is \$800,000. The trustees are S. S. Bailey, Sterling Mathews, W. H. Masters, S. T. Arthur and Fred H. Anderson.

The Old Dominion Mining and Milling company has been incorporated by G. B. Dennis, Cyrus K. Bradley, E. Dempsey, F. L. Kershaw, Paul Blackmar and Paul D. Clark. The capital stock is \$5,000,000. The chief object of the company is to develop the Old Dominion mine in Stevens county.

The articles of incorporation of the Shamrock Mining and Milling company were also filed. The capital stock is \$1,000,000. The trustees are: John Howard, C. L. Botta, C. A. Burr, S. T. Arthur and Maria A. Beard.

THE MONITA SHAFT

Four Feet of Solid Ore in a Six-Foot Ledge.

ASSAYS RUN OVER \$40

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It has been known for several days that a rich ore body had been found in Monita shaft, but those in charge of the mine did not desire to have mention made of the matter until the most thorough tests had been made and the value of the strike determined. They have now authorized the statement that the ore is from three and one-half to four feet wide and that the assays run over \$40 a ton in gold.

One assay made from ore taken from across the full width of the ore chute showed \$41.44. Another made from ore taken in the same way and at a later date showed \$49.51. The entire ledge is six feet wide and all the ledge matter is strongly mineralized, but the clear ore is of the width above mentioned. The shaft is now down 84 feet and the ore found has every appearance of permanency. Every pound now taken out is of shipping quality.

The fact that the Monita is the direct west extension of the War Eagle vein has always been regarded as establishing the value of the property. The surface of the claim is somewhat broken, but it has always been the opinion of mining men that as soon as a respectable depth could be secured the great War Eagle vein would be found. It looks as though this had been done even sooner than expected.

MINES NEAR WANETA.

Machinery Ordered for the Pug-Beaver and Juliet Developing Nicely.

WANETA, Jan. 24.—[Special.]—The Pug mine on the east side of the Columbia river, two miles north of Waneta on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railroad, and owned by the Columbia & Ontario Gold Mining company, is being rapidly developed. This property has a fine surface showing and considerable surface work has been done, showing solid ore in several of the test pits. The company is now driving a crosscut tunnel which is 100 feet. The face of the tunnel is well mineralized and is one of the largest in the camp, being 6x8 feet. It will probably strike the main lead in about 20 feet more, at a depth of 185 feet from the surface.

This property is most conveniently situated in regard to shipping facilities, the mouth of the tunnel being only 100 feet from the railroad. R. B. Gurney, secretary-treasurer of the company, is now in Toronto making arrangements for the shipping of a steam plant for the mine, which will no doubt be on the ground and in working order inside of six weeks.

The general manager of the company, J. B. Miller, has had a large experience in development work in the Sudbury district and is doing all the work in a permanent and practical manner. The Beaver claim, a little north of the Pug, is being developed under the management of Ralph Gillespie, of Petrolia, Ont., and is looking remarkably well. The vein shows a clean foot and hanging wall in the shaft and the bottom of the shaft is showing some fine samples of quartz and ore. This claim is to be surveyed at once and a crown grant applied for. A company has been organized at Petrolia to work this property. A. Corey and C. W. Chamberlain, men well known in the oil districts, are the principal stockholders.

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FISHER MAIDEN Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co.

CAPITAL STOCK 1,000,000 Par Value \$1. Fully Paid and Non-Assessable. Treasury Stock 200,000 Shares.

Trustees: JUDGE GEORGE TURNER, FRANK WATSON, JOHN RIPLINGER, ROSS THOMPSON, JOHN KIRKUP, W. F. TYE and E. J. DYER.

Officers: FRANK WATSON, President and Manager. JOHN KIRKUP, Vice-President. JOHN RIPLINGER, Secretary-Treasurer.

OFFICES: Spokane, Wash., Rossland, B. C. and Silverton, B. C.

Description of Property.

The property consists of two full claims, the Fisher Maiden and Silverton No. 2. These claims are situated on Four Mile creek in the Slocan district, about eight miles from Silverton. A good trail leads from Silverton (on Slocan lake) to the mine. A wagon road covering the same route will be built in the spring. The property is very high grade in silver and the Fisher Maiden is already a shipping mine. There are now 200 tons of ore in transit and on the dump. Assays made by J. M. M. Benedion on Nov. 23 gave: No. 1, 330 oz. silver per ton; No. 2, 205 oz. silver per ton. Assays made recently by Robbins & Long gave: No. 1, 386 oz. silver, 56 per cent. lead; No. 2, 428 oz. silver, 1.5 per cent. copper. Ore body averages 15 inches in width.

Prospectus of company can be seen at their office in the Stussi Block, Rossland.

STOCKS. All individual stock is pooled for seven months. Address for further particulars

FRANK WATSON, Rossland, B. C.

Red Top Mountain Mining Company,

INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF WASHINGTON. Capital Stock 1,000,000 Shares. Shares Fully Paid and Non-Assessable. Treasury Stock 200,000.

OFFICERS: WM. H. REID, President and Manager. EDWARD S. ORR, Vice-President. D. L. McMURRAY, Secretary. J. G. COTTON, Treasurer. A. BRIER WOOD, Superintendent. GEORGE B. NICOLL, Trustee. M. K. SNELL, Attorney. C. C. WOODHOUSE, C. E.

Three Full Claims and Millsite of 20 Acres Paid for and Free of Debt.

Rich Galena Mines.

Pay ore on the dump. Vein seven feet wide. Situated in Stevens County, Washington, five miles east of railroad depot Waneta, B. C. and Boundary City, Wash, three miles south of the British Columbia line.

100,000 shares of Treasury Stock for sale, proceeds to be applied to the purchase of concentrating plant and additional development.

25,000 Shares now Offered at 10 Cents.

Weeks, Kennedy & Co., Rossland Brokers.

A statement will be forwarded quarterly to each registered stockholder.

J. K. Clark & Co., BENHAM & GRIFFITH,

Mines and Mining. Wholesale Grocers and Tobacconists, SPOKANE, WASH.

Try Tiger Tea, Packed in Pound and Half Pound Papers.

RANDELL & POLLETT, Mines and Mining Shares.

First Door West of Grand Union Hotel. Agents for American Eagle Gold Mining Co.

Now being formed. This property is situated on the North Fork of the Salmon River, and is a full sized claim. The ledge is 9 feet wide and is uncovered for 400 feet. Samples taken from the surface assay from \$45 to \$67 per ton. A limited number of shares remain unsubscribed for and are now offered at the ground floor price of two and one half cents per share. This is absolutely the best investment in mining interests ever offered to the public. Full particulars and prospectus furnished upon application.

Cable Address, "Auric," Rossland, B. C. Use Moreing & Neals's and Clough's Codes.

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Capital Par Value \$1.00 Each

The Masco and adjoins the done: 150 feet shaft, five feet from the n sunk 15 feet in width of 14 feet strong veins like the Kootenai promising mine tract. Building

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Weeks, HASTWOBA

Bank of British Opened in Kaslo

IT WAS A GREAT

City Clerk in Trouble mines for Payne, Mines—Boss Looking Big Deal in Lardo

KASLO, Jan. 25.—[Spokane] of British North America branch here this morning is manager and permanently. The expected. Some good ready been transferred. Its prospects are seen business men are imma

At a special meeting held on Saturday evening doors, Alderman Buchanan charges of gross misconduct of the municipal fence consisted, it is sensitive criticisms of the yet a candidate, on election, expressed in than refined or polished, was, of course, repeated Mr. Buchanan, and charges. Very little in the matter, however the regular session of body was reached. over until tomorrow e

At the regular meeting to invite applications a city solicitor. It was appointed an assessor at to select some one for sized ability and known as the assessment for somewhat intricate a

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# The Big Three Gold Mining Company.

Incorporated under the Laws of the State of Washington and Registered under the Laws of British Columbia.

## The Company Owns THREE BIG MINES Mascot, Snowshoe, Southern Belle.

In the Trail Creek District, Rossland.

### Capital 3,500,000 Shares

Par Value \$1.00 Each. Shares Fully Paid and Non-Assessable. Treasury Stock to be sold for Development Purposes.  
1,000,000 SHARES.

OFFICERS: President, R. H. POPE, M. P. Cookshire, P. Q.; Vice President, O. G. LABAREE, Spokane, Wash.; Secretary and Treasurer, R. DALBY MORKILL, Jr., Rossland.  
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## DESCRIPTION.

The Mascot is situated on Columbia mountain, and adjoins the famous Kootenay mine. Work done: 150 feet of tunnel on the vein; 40 feet of shaft, five feet of ore in bottom of same; 100 feet from the mouth of the tunnel a winze has been sunk 15 feet in ore; the vein has been exposed for a width of 14 feet with neither wall in sight. Two strong veins on the claim, with good grade ore like the Kootenay mine. The Mascot is the most promising mine for the work done in the Trail district. Buildings, roads and trails all completed.

The Southern Belle is located on Red mountain, and adjoins the Cliff and View mines. Has a shaft 75 feet deep, sunk on the foot wall side of the vein. Assays taken were \$35 to the ton and as high as 20 per cent in copper. Has a crosscut tunnel 92 feet in length, cutting the vein at a vertical depth of 110 feet; a drift on the hanging wall side of the vein 32 feet with the face all in ore, having an average assay value of 23.50 per ton, one of the best copper ores in the camp, and numerous open cuts and two short tunnels.

The Snowshoe adjoins the Southern Belle and the Northern Belle. It has a tunnel 60 feet long, shaft 20 feet deep, good surface showing and ore values increasing with depth.

The Big Three has a bright future, and the stock is a good investment. All three properties are developing very fast into mines.

The present treasury stock is offered to carry on further and rapid development work. Development under the able supervision of W. Y. Williams, a gentleman of sound ideas and wide experience in mining.

The price of treasury stock will be 12 1-2 c. per share. 50,000 shares for sale. In ordering shares send draft, money order, or express order to

### A. L. WHITE & CO., 259 St. James St., Montreal, P. Q.

Weeks, Kennedy & Co., Rossland.

Agents for Treasury Stock.

### HAS TWO BANKS NOW

Bank of British North America Opened in Kaslo Yesterday.

### IT WAS A GREAT SURPRISE

City Clerk in Trouble-Gasoline Engines for Payne, Ruth and Lee Mines-Boss Looking for Property-Big Deal in Lardo.

KASLO, Jan. 25.—[Special.]—The Bank of British North America opened a branch here this morning. Mr. Marquis is manager and will remain here permanently. The event was quite unexpected. Some good accounts have already been transferred to the new bank. Its prospects are seemingly good. The business men are immensely pleased.

At a special meeting of the city council on Saturday evening, held with closed doors, Alderman Buchanan preferred charges of gross misconduct against the clerk of the municipal council. The offense consisted, it is said, of certain offensive criticisms of the alderman, while appointing an assessor on an early day, and to select someone for the duty of recognized ability and knowledge of values, as the assessor for the year would be somewhat intricate and difficult.

Machinery for the Mines. Some of the mine managers of the Slocan are beginning to put in machinery to assist in the work of development and mining. The other day a 12-horse power gasoline engine and was forwarded by rail to the Payne group, and will be used to drive an ore crusher which was forwarded at the same time. Two other gasoline engines of less power have also been sent up, one to the Ruth and the other to the R. E. Lee. These engines will be used to run hoisting gears at the mines. The machines came from Denver, Colorado. The latter mines are being managed by H. B. Alexander.

It is reported that W. A. Boss of Spokane, who recently purchased a group of claims in the immediate vicinity of the Whitewater mine, is also negotiating for the purchase of what is known as the Svede's claims, on the south fork of Kaslo creek. These properties are regarded as amongst the most promising in the district and are held at a fancy price. It is said that \$60,000 was offered for the group a week or two ago, and promptly refused. Current rumor says that Mr. Boss represents London and South African capitalists,

but there is no positive verification of the rumor.

Lardo Properties Bonded. An important mining deal was concluded here on Saturday by Ed N. Murphy, representing a syndicate of Toronto capitalists who are looking this way for investments. It also attracts attention to a comparatively new territory. The transaction consists in bonding the mineral claims Bannockburn, Evergreen, Fossil, Silver Buton, Silver Reef and Iron Mask, situated in the Lardo-Duncan district, for \$50,000, of which amount there was a liberal cash payment. The claims are said to be very promising, assaying high as 3,500 ounces in silver per ton. The investors intend to hold the properties on their own account and will begin work at the earliest possible time in the spring. The recent holders of these properties were Phil McDonald, Williams, Neil McPhail, and D. D. McPhail. Col. Stone of this city also holds an interest.

Frank A. Mackenzie, special representative of the Toronto Mail and Empire, is now engaged in making a tour of the Slocan properties. He was at the Noble Five the other day and took a trip up the tramway. He will visit Rossland on his return from the Slocan.

Superintendent Bryan of the Kaslo & Slocan railway reports that the rotary plow intended for that road is still in the shops at Hillary, where the plow is being cut down so as to adapt it to the rock cuttings of his road.

Search for the body of the unfortunate foreman, Gillis, who was caught by the slide at the Ives, has been given up for the present. It is thought that he was carried into the lake, almost a couple of hundred feet from where he was struck. Mr. Gillis was about half a mile from the mine workings, directing the getting out of timber at the time of the accident. He was about 50 years of age and leaves a wife and several children. His son who was working with him came down to Kaslo on Friday evening.

Local News Notes. Sunday observance and the Theater Comique are the two questions which are most likely to disturb the peace of the city council in the immediate future. Rumblings of the oncoming can be heard and one cannot tell in what form the trouble will first appear.

The wires of the Kootenay Lake Telephone company are now stretched and District Superintendent Hodge is putting the instruments in place. The central office will be in the postoffice building. The instruments are newly imported and of the latest kind.

Ed. Cummings, proprietor of the Hotel Slocan, returned yesterday from Cleveland, Ohio, bringing with him a wife. His friends gave him a fine reception.

### MINING NOTES.

The drift on the Sunset is now in 45 feet and continues to look well. The Josie has ordered 12 cars a week from the Red Mountain railway and sent her first car over that road Monday.

Things are being pushed on the California tunnel. There is to be no let-up in the development of this property.

The new ore body struck on the 500-foot level of the Le Roi has widened to fully five feet and the grade continues good.

### ORE ASSAYED \$25

Iron Hope's 20-Foot Shaft Taps a Body of Pay Ore.

### STREAK IS 9 INCHES WIDE

Whole Shaft is in Mineralized Vein Matter-Claim is the Eastern Extension of the Zilior-Owned by a Seattle Company.

A strike is reported on the Iron Hope, which is the eastern extension of the Zilior in the south belt. About two weeks ago a contract was let by J. W. Gilson, manager of the property, for a 20-foot shaft. A five-foot pit had already been put in and the work since done gives a total depth of 25 feet from the surface. There are now in the bottom of the shaft ten inches of ore, which showed \$25.20 in gold, no assay being made for the silver. Almost the entire bottom of the shaft is heavily mineralized.

Coming so close after the big strike in the Zilior the one now reported on the Iron Hope is of increased importance. The property is owned by a Seattle company, which is understood to be in good financial condition. It is therefore likely that work will be pushed on the property. The Iron Hope belongs to that group of mines in the south belt whose ore carry higher values in silver than in gold.

### A CHANCE FOR A WRESTLE.

The German Strong Boy Issues a Challenge to Rosslanders.

Frank Umfried, the German strong boy from Denver, who defeated S. J. McMillan, the second Sandow, of San Francisco, at Wallace, Idaho, January 20, has arrived in Rossland. Umfried is made of muscle from the ground up if appearances go for anything. He looks every inch a wrestler.

Mr. Umfried called at THE MINER office Monday night with Mr. Graham his backer, and stated that he would accept the challenge of Harry Dunn of Australia, or any other comer for \$100, or \$500, Dunn preferred, as he is the only celebrity in the wrestling line near at hand, and Umfried is anxious to meet him.

The strong boy will be ready to wrestle in two or three weeks and requests any one who accepts his proposition to call at THE MINER office and post the money. He claims the light-heavyweight championship of the northwest.

### RIOH CARIBOO RAMBLER.

Lower Tunnel Shows Over Four Feet of High Grade Ore.

Lake D. Wolfard, of Colfax Washington, who is largely interested in the Rambler-Cariboo mine on McGuigan creek, in the Slocan country, was in town

Sunday, having just come over from a visit to his mine along with Mr. Coolidge, of Colfax, another large owner in the property. Mr. Wolfard is greatly pleased with the present appearance of the mine. The ore body on which the lower tunnel has been driven for more than 100 feet, has widened to between four and five feet, and much of it runs as high as 180 ounces in silver.

### ROYAL GOLD GROUP.

A 20-Foot Shaft Has a Nice Showing of Galena Ore.

D. D. Birks has returned from a trip to the Royal Gold properties, on the Colville reservation near Northport. He says the company buildings are now all completed. They consist of a bunk house, blacksmith shop and shanties, and are of a very substantial character. The shaft on the Royal Gold claim is now down something over 20 feet. There are 14 inches of high-grade galena on the hanging wall, with the balance of the shaft in quartz carrying more or less gold and silver. The footwall is not yet in sight. The appearance of the shaft is so favorable that Mr. Birks has sent down additional men and will now run both day and night shifts.

### IN ROSSLAND CITY JAIL.

(Written by a Prisoner.) In Rossland city, famed for gold, A five-room building stands, Erected eighteen ninety-five By labor's skillful hands; Therein repose at evening's close Some cunning looking creatures Their path in life which led them straight To Rossland city jail.

Three of the five rooms in this jail Are what are known as cells, But the people who abide in them Just term them early beds. Each is six feet wide, eight feet long, And ten feet high—"I'll hell!" They pile humanity each night In Rossland city jail.

The tea has long in water laid, One hundred years or more, 'Twas once part of a cargo sent to New England's shore. King George he shouted "Treason!" But it was of no avail.

Of insects that infest this house Some specimens are grand, We'll find them from each mining state. From Kruger's sunny Rand. Some cunning looking creatures More slower than a snail. Yet such is life when once confined In Rossland city jail.

The air in Rossland city jail, 'Tis generally the kind That one would naturally expect 'Tis a josh house to find. Such heavy laden odors That not even the Holy Grail Could purify the atmosphere In Rossland city jail.

There's always music floating round, Yes, songs of every land. We'll kick the Pope, St. Patrick's Day, Britannia, once so grand. As gentle fingers press the cords Sun's glide o'er hill and dale When the organ grinder plays the harp In Rossland city jail.

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Write to us for prices and samples or call on W. J. TWISS, Kaslo. Our Kootenay Agent.

G. A. Pounder, Pres. M. O. Tibbits, Sec'y.

## The Silver Bell Mining Company.

Assays from surface ore: \$24.35, \$42.96, \$42.29, \$53.90, \$52.30, \$51.90, \$85.26. On October 26 average sample assay \$103.14.

Situated two miles from Rossland, B. C., has good shipping facilities and all other conditions favorable for a paying mine.

The price of Treasury stock now fifteen (15) cents. Developments on property warrants even a higher price. Order from main office, Rossland, B. C. (Note.—Before purchasing Rossland residents and visitors are invited to call at the company's office and a representative will gladly show them the property).

The Silver Bell Mining Company, Rossland, B. C.

## Canadian Pacific Nav. Co.

(LIMITED.) Time Table No. 26, taking effect March 1st, 1896.

VANCOUVER ROUTE. Victoria to Vancouver—Daily, except Monday at 2 o'clock. Vancouver to Victoria—Daily, except Monday at 12:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C. P. R. No. 1 train.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE. From Victoria for New Westminster and way landings—Sunday at 7 o'clock; Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock. From New Westminster to Victoria and way landings—Monday at 12:15 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

NORTHERN ROUTE. Steamships of this Company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate ports via Vancouver, the 1st and 15th of each month at 8 o'clock. When sufficient inducements offer, will extend trips to West Coast points and Queen Charlotte Islands.

BARCLAY SOUND ROUTE. Steamers leave Victoria for Alberni and Sound ports the 10th, 20th and 30th of each month. The Company reserves the right of changing this Time Table at any time without notification.

JOHN IRVING, Manager. G. A. CARLETON, General Agent. Victoria, July 25.

## \$20,000 TO LOAN.

In sums of \$500 or more for short time on approved security.

D. M. LINNARD, Cook Building, Columbia Ave., Rossland.



DUNN AND UMFRIED

Wrestling Match Arranged for February 20 That Will be a Corker.

BOTH ARE GAME SPORTS

Dunn is Working in the Mayflower Mine-Umfried Claims the Championship of the Northwest-Forfeit of \$500 Has Been Posted.

Frank Umfried, the German strong boy of Denver, Colo., and Harry Dunn, the Australian wrestler, now a resident of Rossland, will contest the championship of the northwest in this city February 20.

FROM THE RECORDS.

Transfers. JANUARY 20. Tribby, E. C. Bernard to W. C. Archer, \$500. Escort, Wm. Selts to W. C. Archer, \$200.

Transfers. JANUARY 21. Mary Farley 6-16, W. C. Sanford to C. A. McAnally, \$200.

Transfers. JANUARY 22. Cliff No. 3, A. P. Taylor to Mike Snyder.

Transfers. JANUARY 23. Trail Hunter, H. F. Cover to Cromwell Mining and Milling and Development company.

Transfers. JANUARY 25. Little Pete, B. F. Houghland to S. F. Grimwood.

Transfers. JANUARY 26. Last Chance, Andrew Hackett to Nell Cochran, \$1,500.

lower, St. Elmo is offered at 10 1/2 and St. Paul at 12 1/2. Silverline is down to 8 1/2.

Table with columns: Companies, No. of Shares, Par Value, Price. Lists various mining companies and their stock prices.

\*No stock on the local market. Dividends paid to date are as follows: Le Roi, \$275,000; War Eagle, \$400,000; Cariboo, \$12,000.

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SPOKANE QUOTATIONS. SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 27. (Special.) Closing quotations on the exchange today were as follows:

ROSSLAND MINING MARKET. The past week has been unusually busy in local stock broking circles.

A Group. Of three mineral claims for sale on Gold Hill between the JUMBO and WALLINGFORD.

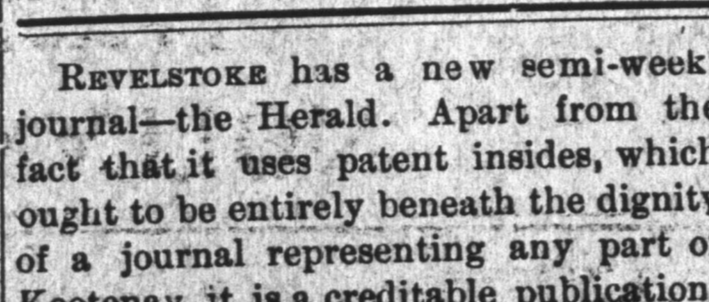
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Second Year, Number 48.

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CHARACTER OF THE PROPERTY.

About \$7,000 has already been expended on the mine. It is there more than a mere prospect. It was determined not to ask the public to subscribe to the treasury shares until the value of the property was established. This has been done by running a main working tunnel 130 feet, by the making of an upraise from the tunnel to the surface and by the driving of about 50 feet of drifts. In doing this work three distinct veins were encountered varying in width from 12 inches to four feet. The ore found in these veins is a free milling quartz, free gold being seen from time to time. The value runs from \$7 to \$40 in gold—the average being about \$18. Drifts are now being run on these ore bodies and ore taken out for milling.

PLANS OF THE COMPANY.

As soon as sufficient ore is obtained to justify the erection of a mill the company will build a mill of such capacity as shall be warranted by the necessities of the mine, and begin the production of bullion. It is proposed also to run a long tunnel from the creek level below to give a depth under the present working of several hundred feet. It is for the purpose of providing funds for these undertakings that the treasury shares are now offered.

FIRST ISSUE OF SHARES.

The first installment of treasury stock consisting of 50,000 shares is now offered to the public at 15 cents per share. The company believes it altogether reasonable that the purchasers of these shares will enjoy an early advance owing to the highly promising condition of the mine. It is almost an invariable rule of this camp that the first issue of treasury shares advances immediately to a higher figure than the original selling price.

INVESTIGATION ASKED.

Intending investors are invited to make the closest inquiry as to this property as well as to the standing and character of the directors. This is put forth as a thoroughly legitimate mining venture and the most scrupulous regard will be had for the interest of every subscriber.

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The Iron Colt Mine.

The Iron Colt is the first west extension of the great Columbia-Kootenay ledge. It is a full claim 600 by 1500 feet and has been surveyed for a crown grant. There is no adverse upon the title.

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A special provision in the by-laws of this company is that no debt shall be incurred beyond the amount of money actually in the treasury. Any further liability incurred becomes a personal liability of the trustees.

25,000 Shares of Treasury Stock, The fourth installment, are now offered to the public At 20 Cents a Share.

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Development.

A shaft was recently started on the main ledge and is now down 75 feet. It has shown nearly solid ore from the surface and is now in solid ore all the way across the bottom. It is one of the finest looking ore bodies ever opened in the camp. The ore is identical in appearance with that new being taken from the Kootenay mine.

At this date, Dec. 21, the shaft of the Iron Colt continues to be in solid ore. The vein has not yet been crosscut and its width is unknown. A crosscut will be run at the 100-foot level and preparations are now being made to run a tunnel from the side of the mountain below and contracts are now being made for power drills.

THE WEEK AT KASLO

Ore Receipts From Ten Mines Totaled Up 554 Tons.

RICH ORE IN WHITEWATER

Foreman Gillis of the Ibez is Undoubtedly Dead—His Body Still Buried in the Snowslide—Little Donald and Black Diamond Sold.

KASLO, Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Ore receipts at the Kaslo station of the Kaslo & Slocan railway have been fully up to the average during the past week with a tendency towards increase. The completion of the Noble Five Consolidated company's tramway and concentrator will materially add to the ore shipments in the immediate future, as the company has a large quantity of concentrating and crude ore at the mine which will be run through the concentrator as rapidly as it can be forwarded. The receipts have been as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Mine Name, Pounds. Includes Ruth, Whitewater, Rambler, Slocan Star, Last Chance, Payne group, Reco, Antoine, Jackson Group, Goodenough.

This makes a total of over 554 tons. Of this quantity the Ruth, Whitewater and Rambler send their ore to the Puget Sound reduction works at Everett, Wash. That from the Slocan Star goes to Omaha under the existing contract; the Last Chance and Payne group ship to Pueblo, Colo.; the Reco to Denver, the Antoine to Tacoma, while the output of the Jackson mine and the Goodenough is run through the Kaslo City sampling works of the Kootenay Ore company. It will be noticed that the total output is absorbed by most of the smelters of the west which enter into active competition to secure it and must have standing contracts with the managers.

Traffic on the railway continues satisfactory, a large quantity of supplies from this city and through freight being constantly forwarded to the mines and merchants in the upper country. Thus far there have been no serious detentions during the winter and it is confidently expected that with the advent of the rotary plow, now on the way from Spokane, they will be avoided altogether.

The Rich Whitewater. The results of development at the Whitewater mine under Manager Eaton grow more and more satisfactory. The tunnel next above the lowest is now in 175 feet and shows an ore body of 18 inches which the manager has good reason to believe is the same as that which has been for some time followed in the winze, and from which much high grade ore has already been taken. Assays of this ore body ran 491 ounces to the ton, which is somewhat remarkable, and a surprise to the manager.

Lake D. Wolford and A. Coolidge of Colfax, Washington have been in the Slocan looking at the Rambler-Cariboo properties in which they are largely interested. Manager Shea has been uncovering a body of high grade ore which has given increased value to the property.

Municipal Matters. The city's waterworks system is now approaching completion and Engineer Cummings expects to be able to turn on the water and have a test during the first week in February. He has made rapid progress with the wood stave pipe which will be put together in place by next Monday night. He began preparing the trench on the section along A avenue between Fifth and Sixth streets, on Friday and will have the pipe laid early next week. He has also coated the reservoir with asphaltum. Unless there is some untoward accident there is no reason why the engineer's expectations should not be realized.

Police Magistrate Chapman administered a sharp rebuke to an employee of the Theater Comique on Thursday afternoon besides fining him \$15. The occasion arose out of a row which occurred in the building on the previous evening in which a waiter known as "Peanut Bob" had blackened a customer's eye. The magistrate told the "beer singer" that if he supplied intoxicants until a customer became drunken, he must put up with a good deal of abuse without complaint, and least of all must he resort to blows. If he did, not only would he be punished, but he might imperil his employer's license. The admonition was not untimely.

Foreman Gillis Dead. The hopes of rescuing alive Foreman Gillis of the Ibez mine, who was buried in a snowslide on Wednesday afternoon, were not realized. Thirty men, including volunteers from the Whitewater and elsewhere worked all night but did not find the body, and little hope is now entertained of finding it until spring. Slides were coming down around the workers and they were compelled to quit. The slide that caught Mr. Gillis ran through to a small lake, and it is now thought his body was carried along with it.

Ainsworth Mines Sold. The Black Diamond and Little Donald mineral claims, located near Ainsworth, have been sold by T. M. Gibson to an eastern syndicate, represented by Fred Stokes, treasurer of the Ibez company. They formerly belonged to John F. Stevens, chief engineer of the Great Northern railway, and were bonded to Mr. Gibson some time ago. The terms of

the sale have not been made public. The vendor retains an interest in the property and will be its manager. Development work will be commenced at once with a considerable force, and will be vigorously prosecuted. It is expected that shipments will be made at an early date, as the properties are said to be in good shape, and Mr. Gibson is an energetic manager.

Local and Personal. J. F. Annable, deputy supreme chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, will organize a court of that order in this city on Friday evening. He has already established a court at Sandon, and has some of the principal citizens on his list for the proposed organization here. Mr. McGillivray, ex-M. P. for North Ontario, is expected to visit the newly established courts and tell of the merits of the order.

Scotsmen and the descendants of auld Scotia's hardy sons will celebrate the anniversary of the birthday of the immortal Burns on Monday evening next at the Presbyterian church by a grand entertainment, which will consist almost exclusively of Burns' poetry in song and recitation. They invite their fellow citizens to join with them in this "nicht wi Burns." Rev. Mr. Nairn will sing and recite in broad Scotch.

Hirschel Cohen, the London and South African mining man, passed through Kaslo the other day on his way to the Slocan. He is said to be negotiating for the purchase of other Slocan properties.

The discovery of the statutory provision relating to the sale of mining property owned by an incorporated company, attributed to the Hon. Mr. Daly, does not seem to have been a very extraordinary one after all. The provision of the law was well known here in Kaslo long before the sale of the War Eagle was spoken of, and its applicability to the particular case mentioned by at least one mining broker when the Goodenough purchase was first mooted in the press. The bar of British Columbia would be strangely forgetful of their studies and investigations if they needed to be reminded of such an important provision of corporation law by so recent an accession to their number, especially when it was familiar to laymen.

An important mining sale was consummated in Kaslo on Friday afternoon. W. A. Bies, a mining engineer of Spokane, purchased the mineral claims owned by Hazel C. Last, Nancy Woodhouse and J. C. P. These claims are in the vicinity of the Whitewater and were owned by D. McPhail, D. D. McPhail, Mr. J. Mahoney, G. T. Eves and E. E. Shea. The terms of the sale have not been given out or any further particulars respecting the deal.

It is rather singular that when the great Kootenay was full of the Gold Hill swindle, which involved the sale of an incorporated mine by the board of trustees in Spokane, none of these well posted gentlemen in Kaslo came forward to advise the wronged minority stockholders how to protect themselves. We maintain the credit of the discovery belongs to the Hon. T. Mayne Daly, late corner or not.—Ed.]

SOME BIG INVESTMENTS. Brigs Young's London Company Takes Hold of Several Properties. Dandy, Monarch and Tamarack Are the Claims—Strikes in the Mother Lode—Mining Notes.

ANACONDA, Jan. 21.—[Special Correspondence.]—Mr. J. W. Lind of Anaconda, has bonded the Dandy claim in Greenwood camp to W. H. Young of Spokane for \$7,500, and T. Humphrey has also bonded the Monarch claim for \$15,000 to Mr. Young. The Tamarack claim has been bought by Mr. Young for \$4,000 cash.

The Tamarack claim is the southern extension of the Monarch, and the Dandy lies south of the Tamarack. The owners of the Tamarack are E. O. Johnson, R. McCarren, Wm. J. McMunn, Ewing Knightly and A. H. Lander. Mr. Young represents a large English company now operating in South Africa, and it is the intention to start work on all the claims as soon as possible.

The bond on the Dandy is for six and 12 months, 10 per cent down. About \$200 worth of work has been done on the Dandy and about \$400 on the Tamarack. The Monarch has a shaft 30 feet deep. The work so far is mostly in the iron capping. Some assays show as much as 3 per cent copper and \$9 in gold.

Midgeon and Farrell, who first held the bond on the Monarch claim, sunk a small shaft, but missed the ore. Last year the claim was rebonded to the Montreal and British Columbia Prospecting syndicate, which used diamond drills to prospect the claim. The walls have never been found as yet.

On the Mother Lode claim in Deadwood camp, at 145 feet in the tunnel, the character of the ore suddenly changed, becoming a solid mass of copper and iron pyrites, with magnetic iron ore. The assays from this ore are much better than any yet had from this claim, and the work is being vigorously pushed ahead.

Work upon the Golden Crown and Calumet claims is to be begun in the spring. A company is to be formed by the members of the syndicate which recently purchased these claims to take them over. It is the intention to put in extensive mining machinery during the summer.

The Adirondack claim in Kimberly camp is looking very well. The shaft is down about 15 feet, and some very fair looking ore has been found. Mr. W. T. Thompson holds the bond on this property, under which he is bound to do \$2,500 worth of development work.

The combination shaft is now down 55 feet, and a drift is now being started on the ore.

ON THE BOUNDARY

Washington and J. I. C. Mines Will Build a 60-Ton Concentrator.

CONDITION OF THE MINES

The Washington Is Opened by a 60-Foot Shaft With a 40-Foot Drift From the Bottom—Concentrates Average About \$75 Per Ton.

The Red Top Mountain Mining company of Tacoma, Wash., is arranging to build a concentrator for its property near Waneta. There are two claims in this property, one called the Washington and the other the J. I. C. Both are on Red Top mountain, a few miles south of the Pend d'Oreille river and within a mile of a good wagon road leading to the line of the Spokane Falls & Northern railway. A 60-foot shaft has been sunk on the Washington and a drift run on the vein for some distance. On the J. I. C. less work has been done. The shaft on the Washington disclosed 4 feet of concentrating ore and on the J. I. C. the shaft has so far disclosed three feet and a half of ore. The ore carries lead, silver and gold, the principal values being in the lead and silver.

The crude ore will concentrate 6 into one, making a concentrate worth about \$75 a ton. The concentrator, which is to have a capacity of 60 tons a day, is to be built on Deep creek near the mines. There is an abundance of water for milling purposes. Professor C. C. Woodhouse is in the employ of the company as consulting engineer and is now preparing a very good map of the property with the surrounding country. He has completed the plans for the development of the mine.

Eight men are now working on the Washington and a good deal of ore is already on the dump. A drift has been run on the vein from the bottom of the 60 foot shaft in continuous ore for about 40 feet, so that the ore body is pretty well proved.

NELSON BEEVITIES. New Water Supply—Small Fire—Lake Shipping News.

Consumers' Waterworks company has formed a syndicate and will place debentures to the amount of \$55,000 or \$60,000 for the purpose of improving and extending the service. The supply will be taken from the Hall-Smith creek and the present mud-puddle abandoned.

Fire broke out in the Star bakery, owned by A. Suter, last night and the building and contents were totally destroyed. The loss is estimated at between \$250 and \$300, uninsured. Suter only started in business about a month ago.

A petition is being circulated for the establishment of a local board of examiners for masters and mates on lake craft. Under the present order of things the applicant must go to the coast for examination.

An effort is being made to have the government survey Kootenay lake and establish buoys for the purpose of facilitating and aiding navigation.

Over 200 men are now working on Hall creek claims back of Toad mountain.

Hon. John Haggart and Hon. Dr. Montague are expected here from the east next week.

BEFORE FITZSTUBBS. Receiver West Over \$1,000 Short in His Accounts.

NELSON, Jan. 22.—[Special.]—George P. West was brought in from Spokane last Thursday night on a charge of embezzlement and was taken before Magistrate Fitzstubs today for preliminary examination. The prosecution was not ready to proceed, however, and the case was laid over until next Monday. It appears that the prisoner was appointed by the court as receiver for the Slocan Store company at Three Forks and recently took his departure for parts unknown. An examination of his books and accounts led to the belief that he had appropriated between \$1,000 and \$1,500 of the company's money and a warrant was sworn out for his arrest. It is said that friends of West will settle the matter out of court.

RECORDED RASHDALL DEAD. One of Nelson's Most Popular Officials Dies of Pneumonia.

NELSON, Jan. 22.—[Special.]—G. H. Rashdall, mining recorder of this district died from the effects of pneumonia at the hospital this morning after an illness of only a few days. The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed. The deceased was widely known and was one of the most popular men in the district. He leaves a brother, C. S. Rashdall, a justice of the peace of Denver, Colorado.

NELSON TO THE BOUNDARY. Proposition on Foot For a Railroad to Connect With Great Northern.

NELSON, Jan. 23.—[Special.]—A proposition is on foot to build a line of railroad from Nelson to Bellington on the international boundary for the purpose of giving the Great Northern an all-rail route to the Kootenay. Mr. Hamsley is now in London for the purpose of raising money to float the scheme.



# ROSSLAND AND TRAIL CREEK MINING COMPANY, Ltd. Ly.

## CAPITAL STOCK \$1,000,000

In 1,000,000 Shares of the Par Value of \$1 each. Shares Fully paid and Non-Assessable. 250,000 in Treasury to be sold for Development Purposes.

### Location and Description.

The above claims are situated on the northeast slope of Lake Mountain, in the south mineral belt, three miles southeast from Rossland, midway between that town and the town of Trail, where the smelter is situated, and a short distance east from the Crown Point group, which was lately sold to an eastern syndicate for \$450,000 the largest price ever paid for any claim or group of claims in this district.

The Golden Crown lies southwest of and adjoins the Boulder, upon which considerable work has been done with splendid results, an assay of \$28 in gold per ton having been obtained at a depth of 20 feet. The ledge upon which this work has been done on the Boulder extends southwesterly through the Golden Crown.

The Island Bell adjoins the South Bend on the southwest. The South Bend is considered one of the most promising mines in the south belt. At 30 feet an assay was had running as high as \$91.46. Three clearly defined leads run northeast to southwest through the South Bend, and can be plainly traced clear across the Island Bell.

The Golden Crown, Island Bell and Robert Bruce are adjoining claims, and are separated from the other three by the South Bend, Gold Dollar and Albany.

The ledge from the Deadwood which adjoins the Golden Crown on the west, and which is owned by C. W. Callaghan, Esq., the well known mining expert, runs clear across the Robert Bruce; one of the ledges from the South Bend through the Free Silver; The Emma C. has the Albany ledge, which can be traced to the Imperial and G. R. Sovereign mines; and there is good surface showing on the Southampton.

### Facilities for Mining and Transportation.

For convenience of location for mining and shipping purposes these properties cannot be surpassed. There is an abundance of timber; and Lake creek, which runs from the summit of the mountain to Trail creek and passes through these claims, provides a bountiful supply of water. There are splendid opportunities for tunneling, and it is the intention of the company to, shortly, run a tunnel to catch the lead upon which the work is now being done thus cheapening the cost of mining.

The property lies within about 3 miles of the Trail smelter. The Columbia & Western railroad runs within one and a half miles (about 2,000 feet) from the present works, all down to the cars and thence to the smelter. There is also a movement on foot to erect a smelter on the R. E. Lee or Maid of Erin grounds which are in close proximity to the property. Should this be effected the ore can be treated at the very lowest possible cost. This will admit of the treatment of low grade ores which heretofore has been impossible in other sections of the district.

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TREASURER, ANDREW CHILBERG, Esq., President of the Scandinavian-American Bank, President of the City School Board of Seattle and General Agent of Trans-Atlantic Steamship Lines.

SOLICITOR, JOHN K. BROWN, Esq., Corporation Counsel for the City of Seattle.

MINING SUPERINTENDENT, J. J. HENAGER, Esq., Superintendent of the Masco and other works.

GENERAL MANAGER, EX-MAYOR WHITE, Seattle.

AGENTS AT ROSSLAND, MESSRS. GOOD, CLARK & CO.

LOCAL SECRETARY, H. C. MCGREGOR.

### ORGANIZATION.

This company has been formed under the laws of the State of Washington, and has been duly registered in this Province as a Foreign Company.

### PROPERTY AND TITLE.

Six Full Claims. The company has acquired a clear title to and now holds in its corporate name the following named six mineral claims:

Golden Crown, Island Bell, Emma C., Robert Bruce, Southampton and Free Silver

All of which are Full Claims, thus making, with one exception, the largest block of property owned by any one company in this camp.

### Sale of Stock.

No Treasury Stock has yet been sold, the promoters, having out of their private moneys provided a fund out of which to pay the cost of development work.

## 50,000 SHARES,

Are now offered for sale at the very low price of

# 10 Cents Per Share

To pay the costs connected with the obtaining of a crown grant, and to continue development after the completion of the now existing contract.

The Next Block of Treasury Stock will be offered at a higher rate. All communications regarding the company will be promptly answered. For stock and further particulars apply in person or by letter to

## GOOD, CLARK & CO., Agents,

H. C. McGregor, Local Secretary. Rossland, B. C., Jan. 1, 1897.

### Development.

About November 1st last a cabin was built on the Golden Crown and work commenced by Mr. M. A. Green, an experienced mining man, who had taken a contract to do 100 feet of work on the property. The work thus far performed consisted of a shaft 25 feet deep on the ledge which extends from the Boulder through the Golden Crown. This ledge is about ten feet wide, with strong, well mineralized capping. The work done upon it has disclosed a true lead with clearly defined walls—the hanging wall of porphyry and the foot wall of granite. There are also several open cuts on the Island Bell and Golden Crown. Four men are employed and work is progressing favorably under the supervision of Supt. Henager.

### To Investors.

We would say that in determining whether or not they should place their capital in the purchase of this company's stock they should consider:

1. The number of claims owned by the company, and extent of ground to be worked. Purchasing stock in this company with its six FULL CLAIMS is like buying in most other companies, which have only one claim, at a little better than 1 1/2 cents.
2. The convenience of situation, the nature of the surrounding claims, and the excellent facilities for mining and transportation.
3. The fact that the promoters have not been dependent upon the sale of Treasury stock to begin development work, but have before offering stock for sale, performed sufficient work to assure themselves and the public that they have every prospect of a mine.
4. The excellence of the company's management and the high standing of its officers.

### Offices.

The agents of the company have leased commodious offices in the block now being built east of and adjoining the Grand Union Hotel on the south side of Columbia avenue in Rossland.

As a field for safe and profitable investment the Trail Creek camp is so widely known that it is needless to add any particulars.

The completion of the Spokane and Red Mountain railway provides greatly increased conveniences for the travelling public, and with the ever increasing number of producing mines that surround Rossland, among which we hope are long to see the Rossland and Trail Creek Mining Company's mines, the future greatness of this camp is assured, but cannot be estimated.

### RICH FREE GOLD ORE

Specimens From Norway Best Anything Ever Found in Camp.

## ASSAYS AVERAGE \$60.

The Vein Has Been Opened by 50-Foot Tunnel, and There Are 40 Tons of High Grade Ore on the Dump—The Bruce Company Owns It.

A wonderfully rich specimen of white quartz carrying visible gold has been brought up from the Norway mine just below Trail on the west side of the Columbia river and is to be seen at Good-ewe's drug store. The sale of the Norway was noted in THE MINER several weeks ago. The property was purchased by Paterson & Johnson and A. S. Good-ewe of Rossland. It has since been surveyed and crown granted and is incorporated as the Bruce Gold Mining Company.

The development work up to date consists of a tunnel about 60 feet long which starts into the hill 800 feet from the Columbia river. The ledge is very strong on the surface and can be traced for two or three thousand feet up towards Lookout mountain. The development work so far done tends to confirm the good opinion first formed of the property.

When the tunnel was in 40 feet some of the richest and most beautiful gold quartz ever seen in any mining camp was found. When a lighted candle was held up in front of the face of the tunnel the gold glistened from dozens of different places. The quartz was literally studded with the yellow metal. Soon after passing this point the tunnel encountered a break, but this was passed successfully and the ore has again been found.

The clear quartz is from 20 inches to two feet wide and the average value in gold is quite \$60. Indeed, \$60 in gold is the lowest assay yet had from the mine. Another assay showed \$84, and one made by the Trail smelter showed \$130. In the main the ore is perfectly free milling. Now and then a little quartz bearing iron pyrites and galena has been observed.

The specimen at Goodewe's drug store has attracted a great deal of attention. The gold is very massive and is in absolutely clear quartz. It is a matter of some surprise, perhaps, that so promising a free milling ledge should have been opened in a neighborhood where there are little or no other evidences of mineral deposits. This, however, may be an argument in its favor since the vein is probably a very strong one and comes from the group of mines now being developed on the east side of Lookout mountain.

Both walls of the Norway are perfectly smooth and the indications all point to the existence of a true fissure. There are about 40 tons of high grade ore on the dump.

### SMELTER FOR SPOKANE

Rumor That the Northport Scheme is Likely to Be Abandoned.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 21.—[Special.]—The latest smelter report and one that seems to have ground for belief is that there is not so much likelihood of the smelter being built at Northport as that it will be erected in Spokane or at a place within half dozen miles of Spokane. The men who are back of this smelter plan are well known mining men of this city. It is understood that most of those interested favor Spokane because, with the half dozen roads that center here, it will be much easier to obtain the needed rates than at any point where there is but one railroad.

A site has already been secured just north of Spokane and between the Spokane & Northern and Great Northern roads, where direct transportation facilities can be had over both roads.

### MIDDLE OF MAY.

Red Mountain Railway Bridge at Northport Must Be Ready Then.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 21.—[Special.]—The contract for the construction of the new Red Mountain railway bridge, which THE MINER announced several days ago had been let to the San Francisco Bridge Company, specifies that it also Bridge Company specifies that it must be completed sufficiently to permit the passage of trains by the middle of May. To build a structure of this kind in so short a time will require all the skill of modern bridge builders. In order to finish the bridge by that time so trains can pass a complete electric light plant will be supplied so that men can work both day and night. President Corbin of the Spokane & Northern, says it will be rushed through in this way in order to avoid the necessity of transferring the trains by the ferry after the spring high waters come.

The bridge will be a magnificent one, being what is known as a combination steel bridge. With approaches it will be about 2,000 feet long or nearly half a mile. The bridge proper will contain six spans, resting upon solid piers. Three spans will be each 150 feet long and the other three spans will each be 250 feet long, making the total length of the bridge proper 1,200 feet.

### ROSSLAND'S HOCKEY MATCH.

Hockey Club and Bank Boys Each Scored Twice—A Hot Contest.

Those who attended the skating rink Thursday night of last week witnessed Rossland's first game of hockey. It was played between the Rossland Hockey club and the Bank team. It was well contested, resulting in a tie of 2 to 2. There was a large attendance of the fair sex, who were very enthusiastic.

The following players lined up at the call of Referee Turnbull:

ROSSLAND TEAM.		BANK TEAM.	
Wash.	Goal.....Egan	Wash.	Goal.....Egan
Campbell	Point.....McIntyre	Campbell	Point.....McIntyre
McIntyre	Cover Point.....McIntyre	McIntyre	Cover Point.....McIntyre
McIntyre (capt.)	Forwards.....Chesterton	McIntyre (capt.)	Forwards.....Chesterton
Watson	Defence.....Jeffs	Watson	Defence.....Jeffs
Frost	Forwards.....Ray	Frost	Forwards.....Ray

The first goal was scored for the boys in red by McBride and the first goal for the Bank team by Chesterton, and in the second half Watson scored for the Rosslanders and Jeffs, one for the Bank team.

### LE ROI'S BIG STRIKE

Four Feet of \$40 Ore Found West of the Big Chute.

ON THE 500-FOOT LEVEL

A Thousand Feet West Along the Ledge From the Shaft Yet to Explore—Sinking of the Main Shaft Resumed in \$50 Ore.

THE MINER is able to announce an important strike in the Le Roi. The great ore chute in which nearly all the work on the mine has been done so far is near the east end of the claim. This ore chute is of varying width, being sometimes as much as 40 feet wide and is about 800 feet long. The west end of the chute is cut off by a piece of barren ground. While the ore body already found is of sufficient magnitude and richness to make the Le Roi famous as one of the principal gold mines of the world, it has been believed all the time that the claim has other ore bodies in its western area.

Recently Captain Hall, superintendent of the mine, started a drift towards the west on the 500-foot level, with the purpose of finding another ore body beyond the barren ground. He had run only 20 feet when a narrow streak of ore was encountered. This gradually widened till it contained full four feet of clean ore.

Tests of the ore were made yesterday and it was found to run about two ounces in gold and very well in copper. In appearance the ore resembles strongly that of the big chute to the east of it on the 500-foot level, which is now being worked. There is no doubt whatever as to the high grade of the ore.

The possible value of the strike just made will be appreciated when it is known that it is at least 1,000 feet from the point where the new ore body was discovered was made on the 500-foot level and that every foot of length in the ore means 500 feet on the incline. The progress of work in the new ore chute will be watched with much interest.

It may be added in this connection that Captain Hall has commenced to extend the shaft from the 500-foot level, and is now down 10 feet below that level. The bottom of the shaft is in solid ore, which runs about two ounces in gold and 10 per cent. copper. Captain Hall says the copper value of the ore is improving with depth.

### Martin Bros' New Building.

A few days ago Martin Bros. advertised for bids for an addition to their building, and in response they received bids from five different contractors, as follows: Barton, \$1,950; Rap & Howell, \$1,850; Sol Cameron, \$1,775; William Pfeifer, \$1,625, and C. H. Henderson, \$1,640. Martin Bros., relying on an estimate made by them, thought the bids too high and offered C. H. Henderson something over \$1,500 to complete the job. Mr. Henderson declined the job at these figures, but Sol Cameron finally amended his bid on the same plans to \$1,555 and got the contract.

### PERSONALS.

James D. Sword will leave for Montreal in a few days.

Dr. Edward Bowes has been appointed surgeon for the Red Mountain Railroad company.

Montgomery Smith who purchased the Hattie mine last fall has arrived from Toronto.

H. E. D. Merry returned from North Yakima, Wash. where he spent the holidays with his wife's parents.

Judge W. H. Reid, of Tacoma, Wash., arrived in town Thursday evening. He has recently organized the Red Top Mountain Mining company, whose mines are situated five miles southeast of Waneta on the international boundary.

### CROW'S NEST PASS LINE

Belief General in Ottawa That it Will Be Speedily Completed.

Senator Cox Undoubtedly One of the Principals—Col. Baker Says the Road Needs Federal Aid.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 22.—It was denied that Senator Cox and Robert Jaffray had secured the British Columbia Southern railway charter in British Columbia, but the report is firmly believed. Col. Baker, one of the chief officers of the task was hopeless without the federal government's aid. He realized the fact that the land grant alone would not enable the company to make such financial arrangements as would ensure the completion of the road.

The syndicate embraces prominent capitalists in Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa. The Hon. Mr. Cox is known to be an energetic business man and the resulting importance to Canada of the completion of a line from Lethbridge by way of Fort Macleod into Kootenay is a project in which the government is largely interested. It is not likely negotiations looking to an early start being made on the undertaking, will either be wearisome or protracted.

Senator Cox will command the ear of the administration in this matter and if such legislation may be enacted as will ensure an early start being made and the speedy completion of an all rail route from the coast.

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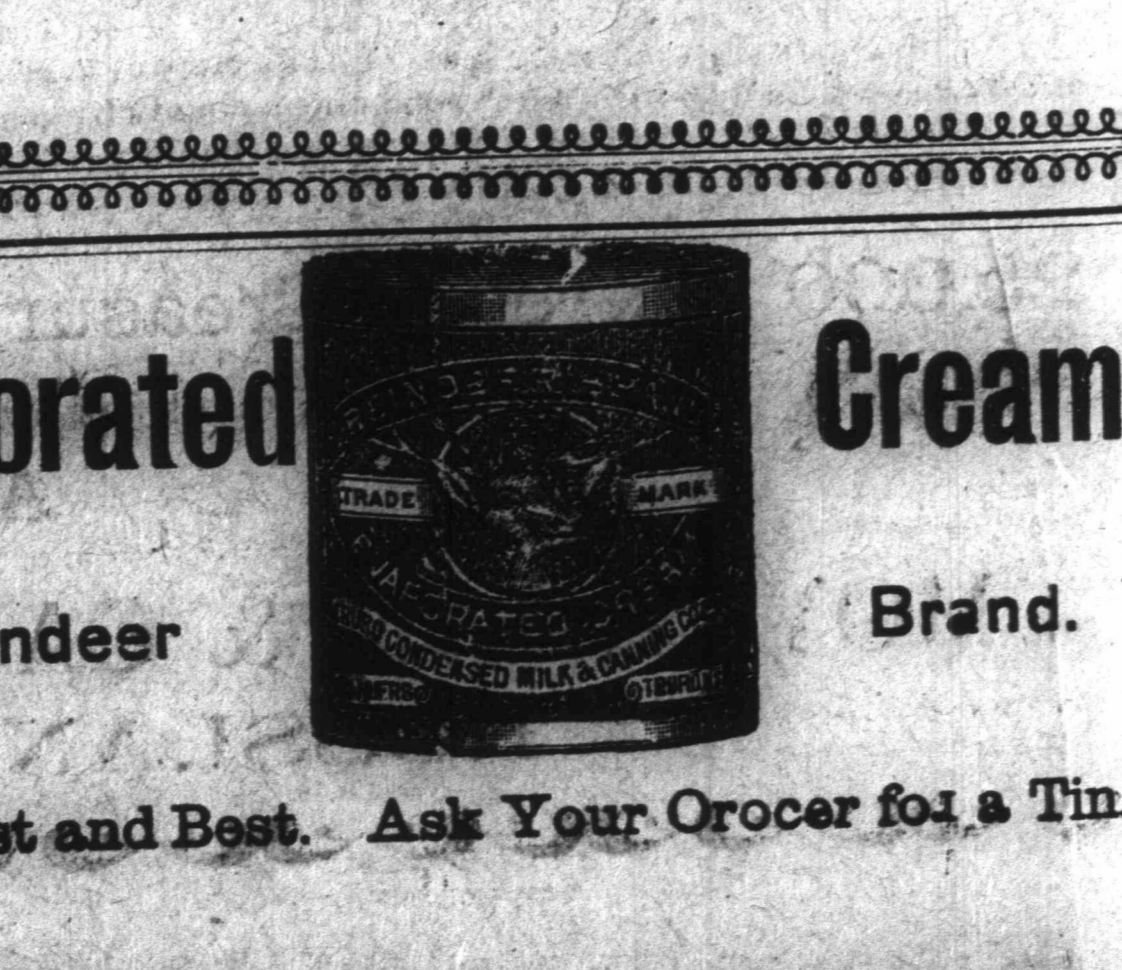
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KASLO AND SLOCAN

Edmonton Group on Slocan Lake Shows Up a Big Vein.

CERTAINLY IS WONDERFUL

Recent Samples of Goodenough Ore Assayed 13,142 Ounces of Silver to the Ton—Slocan Boy Shipping Live—Buried in a Snowslide.

KASLO, Jan. 20.—[Special.]—Good results are being obtained from the development which is being done on the Edmonton group of mines on Ten Mile creek, Slocan lake. These properties are under bond to A. G. Ferguson of Vancouver, who is operating them. The vein is said to be stronger than was anticipated and the ore of a higher grade. Mr. George D. B. Turner is in immediate charge of work at the mine and is now working on a vein which is 15 feet wide and quite promising.

Lans Keith, one of the lessees of the Slocan Boy, came down from the mine and spent a day or two in the city. He reports 23 men at work at the mine and shipments as being regularly made. They have already sent out 15 cars during the present season, and will ship about five carloads a month hereafter. This is a high-grade ore and returns are, therefore, very satisfactory. From the mine to the Washington wagon road the rawhiding is excellent, along that road to McGuigan station a team's load is almost any weight within reason that can be placed upon the sleds.

The second payment due on the bond of the Mountain Goat mineral claim, at the head of Jackson basin, to W. E. Potter was promptly made. The tunnel which is being run upon this property from the Lucky Boy, is said to be yielding some very promising results. The original owners of the property were A. T. Garland, W. V. Popworth, J. Anderson and Harry Mathews.

The other day workmen who were stopping at the Goodenough mine took out some ore which presented a rich appearance, and which was somewhat unusual. A sample was sent to Hill & Co., assayers and chemists, of Sandon, to determine its character. The return, as certified to by Mr. Hill, assayer of the firm, was somewhat astonishing, even to the large returns are expected.

It was reported in the city on Wednesday afternoon that John G. Gillis, foreman of the Ibez mining company at the mine, had been buried under a small snow slide. The most active efforts were being made to rescue him, but it was feared that he could not be gotten out alive. The accident occurred about two o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday. Later reports may be more favorable.

Municipal Matters. The first meeting of the new city council was held on Monday evening with all members present save Alderman-elect Goodenough, who is in eastern Canada. Mayor Green's inaugural speech was brief and practical. The chairmanships of the standing committees were thus distributed: Finance, Garland; public works, Moore; fire and light, Goodenough; sanitation and water, Buchanan.

It would seem as if lively times were ahead for the members. Alderman Buchanan asked for and was promised a special meeting in order that he might bring some matters before the board in a private manner. He also asked some questions with reference to the Theatre Comique's license, which seem to indicate an intention to be after Manager Holland's scalp.

The wood stove pipe is being rapidly put together under the superintendence of Mr. Gordon, who represents the Excelsior Wood Stove Pipe company, of San Francisco. Engineer Cummings reports that the work is considerably more than half done, and he expects to turn the water on in three weeks. The reservoir is now receiving a coat of asphaltum. It will be a great treat to the citizens to have the water, but the water committee has a rather difficult job before it to arrange an equitable scale of tariff charges.

Persons and Brevities. D. C. McGregor, contractor, left for Spokane on Tuesday morning. He went out to arrange for shipments of lumber with which he proposes to stock lumber yards in this city and Nelson.

Fred Steele, treasurer of the Ibez Mining and Development company of Slocan, returned to Kaslo on Monday and went on to the mine. He brings with him from the east, which he visited in the interests of his company, applications for considerable blocks of shares. The Ibez company of Slocan is in a flourishing condition, and its stock is being rapidly placed.

The new rink building was opened for the first time on Tuesday evening last, but the ice was in such poor condition that both curlers and skaters found little enjoyment in its use. The floor will be again flooded, and many young persons are expectant of better ice in the near future.

Charles E. Race, lately connected with a Toronto mining syndicate in working the Hero and Haba mineral claims in the Slocan, has accepted a position on the staff of the Nelson Miner.

Alice Hamilton, a variety actress now connected with the Theatre Comique in this city, slipped on the ice as she was leaving the theatre building, early on Tuesday morning last, and broke both bones of her leg, two or three inches above the ankle. The bones were set by Dr. Rogers, and she is resting easily.

John S. Clute, customs inspector for the British Columbia mainland district, spent two or three days of this week in overlooking matters in Deputy Collector McIntosh's office.

Electric Lights at Oddy. Noble Five Mill Illuminated—Examining the Richmond Group. SANDON, Jan. 19.—[Special.]—The tramway of the Noble Five was started yesterday and found to work fully up to

expectations. There was a little too much slack in the cable which was easily remedied. The mill was illuminated by electric light last night and word was sent to Mr. Harris at the Reco mine drawing his attention to the electric lights of Oddy. J. M. Harris is putting in the Sandon electric light plant. The poles and wires are up and most of the buildings wired, but there is difficulty in getting the machinery here.

Mr. John Daly, accountant for the Payne mine, moved into his new office at the ore house on the Kaslo & Slocan switch yesterday.

Mr. Crummer, of the Crown Point, has been here looking over the Richmond, Star View and Empire, three claims recently purchased by the Gooderham syndicate. It is the intention of the owners to begin work at once if found to be practicable. At this season of the year it would cost considerable to clear off the lead before one can tell where to begin work and it is altogether likely that nothing will be done with this property till next summer.

ROSSLAND AND YUKON. Lieut.-Governor Mackintosh Has Two Magazine Articles in Hand.

Two articles from the pen of Lieut.-Governor Mackintosh are announced, one in the February issue of the Canadian Magazine on "British America's Golden Gateway to the Orient—Rossland and the Kootenay Mining Centres," and the second, the "Empire's Far Northern Outpost," dealing with the establishment of law and order in the great Yukon country, the output of gold and the trade facilities, offered will appear in the Montreal Star. Both will be illustrated.

NEWS OF GRAND FORKS

Big Body of Ore Opened Up in the R. Bell.

A Two-Foot Chute of High Grade Steel Galena Discovered in the Napoleon—The Spring Rush.

GRAND FORKS, Jan. 20.—[Special Correspondence.]—The past week seems to have added many interesting events of much importance to the future outlook of Grand Forks, so much so that a spirit of ambition is beginning to show upon the surface of all enterprises.

The most important event is that of the strike made today in the R. Bell property in Summit camp at the head of Fisherman creek. A vertical double compartment shaft has been sunk 40 feet to the north of the vein and at a depth of 80 feet the vein was struck, exposing a fine body of ore on the hanging wall. The extent of the ore body is not known, as the contractors were compelled to stop work on account of the rush of water from the opening in the vein. The company at Salt Lake City, Utah, has been informed of the circumstances and no doubt they will at once ship hoisting works here and get things in systematic shape for work again in the near future. In the meantime Superintendent Keough will keep his force of men at work on other properties near the R. Bell.

Harry Nash came over from Rossland last Saturday and at once began arrangements for starting work on the Boulevard group of mines on the east hill five miles up the North Fork of Grand Forks. The company is now engaged in building cabins, etc., and will start work on the Tacoma claim.

Rossland parties have succeeded in getting hold of the Empire mine east of town and adjoining the townsite. Alex Omond and Joe Nicholas started work upon the property Monday and will sink a 100-foot shaft. At this point they will crosscut the lead, when it is expected one of the best mines near Grand Forks will be opened up, as it is conclusively considered that this is the east extension of the Bonita property on Observation mountain one mile distant on the west side of town.

Reports from the Bonanza mine on Bonanza mountain north of the Volcanic are of a very encouraging nature. The owners are now down 80 feet in a solid ore body and are getting into a fine peacock copper ore which in this formation or zone means a high-grade gold ore. They expect to reach the 100-foot station about February 1, when they will crosscut and thoroughly prospect the vein.

A great deal of speculation is going on regarding results of development work on the Bonita property on Observation mountain. The contractors have reached a depth of 20 feet on their 100-foot shaft, and are already getting into ore in the crosscut tunnel. Surface indications show that they will have at least 50 feet of actual mineral when once into the ore body. As soon as they find ore and mineral of any value there are six claims along the side of this mountain which will at once be developed. Judge Spinks owns two claims upon the Bonita vein which will shortly be worked, both showing fine bodies of low grade ore up on the surface.

The English & French company, whose possessions are up the North Fork near the Volcanic property, is jubilant over a rich find made this week in the Napoleon property. The contractors while putting in their last shot uncovered a fine body of mineral, which in character is very much different from the ore found in the mines in this district. It is fine steel galena, scattered through with sulphides and chlorides, and seasoned with a black oxide of copper. It is generally classed as a high-grade ore, and, in my judgment, carries considerable grey copper. The ore chute is two feet wide.

A great deal of prospecting and relocating of expired claims is going on at present, even though the snow is deep in the mountains and traveling difficult. A number of Rossland men are coming in here now and taking advantage of the chance to relocate and get hold of property. The Marcus stage is loaded every trip with newcomers who scatter out from here in all directions. A new stage line from Bonanza has been put on the Marcus route by Wright & Schaw. They propose making the drive a daylight one and connect regularly with the up and down trains of the Spokane Falls & Northern.

Several new buildings are soon to be erected here, and town property is in great demand, increasing in value almost daily. With the starting up of work on the Volcanic and Seattle mines Grand Forks will see exceptionally prosperous times, not only in mining circles, but an actual business boom.

Petitions are now being circulated and liberally signed for incorporation of the town of Grand Forks, and another proposition against the charter asked for by the Cascade Water Power company. All favor incorporation with the exception of about six property owners.

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Mrs. Dobell, of London, Ont., Cured for 25 Cents

Doctors Could Help, but Couldn't Cure—Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure Released the Prisoner, and To-day She is as Well as Ever—She Says it is a Great Remedy

"Yes, I am Mrs. Dobell," said a comely, pleasant-faced woman at her home on Horton street to a News reporter to-day, "and I will very gladly tell you what you want to know. About three years ago my husband was very ill, and I had frequently occasion to rise in the night and go for a doctor or to the druggist. In my hurry I often neglected to properly clothe myself, and contracted several heavy colds, which turned at last to chronic catarrh. I tried doctors, who helped me, but did not cure me, and several special catarrh medicines. I was relieved but not cured. I was suffering intolerably when Mr. Shuff recommended me to try CHASE'S CATARRH CURE, and it began at once to help, and in about two months had entirely cured me. I cannot speak too highly of this remarkable medicine, and cheerfully recommend it to all sufferers from catarrh." The blower included is a great help to sufferers.

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Description of Property. The company owns the Trail Hunter and Cromwell mineral claims. The Trail Hunter is situated in the South Belt about 1 1/2 miles from Rossland and about 3/4 of a mile from the railroad on the Bed Eagle. A strong iron-capped vein crosses the property and in the bottom of an 18-foot shaft there is a fine showing of ore. A wagon road has already been built to the property and development work will be pushed as rapidly as possible. Assays \$20 per ton. The Cromwell is a full claim located on the North Fork of the Salmon River and joins the Lizzie B. and Porto Rico, two claims which were recently sold for \$63,000 and \$45,000 respectively. Assays have been obtained from the surface of the Cromwell running as high as \$140 in gold per ton. It is the intention of the company to push development as rapidly as possible and has placed the unusually large sum of 500,000 shares in the treasury for that purpose.

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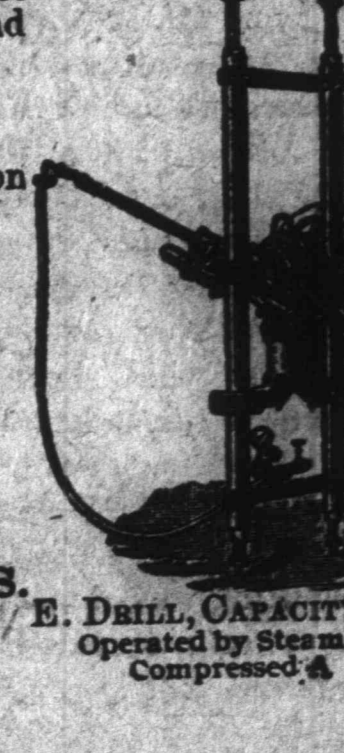
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MR. KELLIE ANSWERED.

THE MINER feels that it has already given Mr. Kellie a great deal more attention than his personality warrants. It is purely an accident that, even in a provincial legislature, he represents so important a constituency as the north riding of West Kootenay. At the time of his election Rossland did not exist, or a man of his capacity would never have been considered for a moment.

Right here it may be as well to disabuse Mr. Kellie's mind of one of the many mistaken ideas which pervade it. Mr. Reavis is not the editor of THE MINER, as a reference to the editorial columns of any issue of this paper will show. The editor of THE MINER is a British subject, and as much at home in Kootenay as Mr. Kellie.

Mr. Kellie gives us some figures relative to receipts and expenditures in West Kootenay which we have no means of verifying. We have, however, the public accounts for the year ending June 30, 1895. From this volume we learn that West Kootenay contributed to the provincial treasury during that year over \$86,000, and as nearly as we have been able to figure out the total expenditures in the district during the same period were less than \$70,000. In East Kootenay we find the total revenue for the same year to have been \$15,948.77, while the expenditures in that district for the same year under only one heading, roads, streets, bridges and wharves, were \$63,728.08. What has Mr. Kellie to say to these figures?

What has British Columbia to do with the United States that Mr. Kellie should want us to make comparisons between the two? His ignorance of the United States is only equalled by his arrogant assumption that he knows it all. He says that in the United States no state legislature gives any assistance to the miner by constructing roads and trails. We beg to assure Mr. Kellie that it has frequently been done. Witness the state wagon road constructed by the state of Washington across the Cascade range to open up the mining districts of Stevens, Okanogan and Skagit counties. Let it be remembered, too, that no miner's license is collected in the state of Washington under the pretence of creating a fund to build trails and roads. As another instance we might state that Idaho has built similar wagon roads to open its more remote mining camps at a cost of several hundred thousand dollars, and did not exact \$5 per capita from its miners either.

As to where we got our figures about Rossland's revenue we will say that until the Turner government closed the recorder's account books to us in August last we kept a close tally on Rossland's contributions to the provincial revenues and they amounted to nearly \$34,000 on July 31, without taking into account the property and other taxes paid at Kaslo, which include contributions under the new mineral tax.

We will trouble Mr. Kellie to get us that order from the government which he promises, to examine the books in the mining recorder's office here, and we promise to prove him mistaken in his figures from these same books if we can ever get access to them. We reiterate that the government has done next to nothing for Rossland. No fire protection has been provided, though towns all over the province get grants for this purpose. No aid has been extended to our hospitals, though hospitals all over the province get grants in aid. Nothing was done to grade or sewer the streets of Rossland, though the government had put it out of the

power of the people to do this work for themselves by re-using their petition for incorporation at the last session. No trails or wagon roads have been built or aided among the dozens of miles of both built out of this town by private enterprise in the past year. Oh, yes, the government has done a great deal for Rossland!

Mr. Kellie tries to belittle Rossland's revenue by attributing it to other districts. As well might he belittle Victoria or Vancouver as sea ports by asserting that the goods on which the customs duties were paid were consumed in other cities.

Not one line was ever printed in THE MINER objecting to the amount of the mineral tax. Our objection is on other grounds entirely. By putting mines under a separate schedule we maintain that the mine owners, being only a small percentage of the taxpayers, are at the mercy of a needy government which, when looking for more revenue, can too easily secure an increase in the tax on mines as it will directly affect the pockets of but a small percentage of the population. We also objected to this tax being levied because the coal mines of the province pay no such tax and the new tax was a manifest discrimination. When the coal mines of Vancouver Island are put in the same schedule as the precious metal mines of Kootenay we shall cease to oppose the tax—and not till then.

Mr. Kellie asks Mr. Reavis to tell him in what province of the Dominion incorporated towns are provided with street improvements, sewers or fire protection, and we answer for Mr. Reavis, British Columbia. We can show vote after vote in aid of the fire departments of the incorporated cities of the province. But this has nothing to do with the case as Rossland is not incorporated, owing to the government's refusal to permit it. We base our right to street improvements on the ground that the government of British Columbia refused Rossland incorporation and therefore put it out of the power of the people to do these things except by voluntary contribution.

Like Mr. Kellie, we favor local self government, but we have not waited till this late date to find it out, or at least, make it public. If we had sat as long in the British Columbia legislature as Mr. Kellie we would have tried to introduce some form of local government ere this. As to the government advertising, we are ready to take it any time the government sees fit to give it to us and pay our rates.

THE OUTLOOK FOR BOUNDARY.

Those who have read our Boundary correspondence during the past few weeks must be impressed with the substantial progress made this winter in the development of the mines in that district. While there has long been abundant surface showings of mineral throughout the Boundary country no deep work has been done and very little proved to the satisfaction of mining men as to the character or extent of the ore bodies. But work has been very active in several portions of the district for several months past and it is no longer a matter of reasonable doubt that there are not only very large ore bodies in Boundary but that there are ores rich in gold, copper and silver.

So ample is the proof on this subject that THE MINER has reason to believe that the Boundary region will be penetrated by two railroads this year. One of these will be the proposed extension of the Spokane & Northern from Northport and the other is the Columbia & Western. Both Mr. Corbin and Mr. Heinze have had very extensive information on Boundary and it is hardly probable that either has any misgivings as to the tonnage being sufficient to justify the building of these roads.

The effect upon the Boundary district and upon all southern British Columbia of the extension of these lines of railroad will be very marked. The increase of travel and of mining activity, the growth of population and the impetus to general business will be enormous. These railroads will do all for Boundary that they have done for the Trail Creek district and even more, for the isolation of that region is more complete than that of the Trail Creek country ever was and its territory is much greater.

THE MINER congratulates the people of Boundary upon the auspicious prospects now before them. Before the snows of another winter fall Rossland will be able to exchange greetings and congratulations with Grand Forks, Greenwood and other Boundary towns and to travel from here there in less than four hours.

KELLIE AND HIS GOVERNMENT.

J. M. Kellie, M. P. P., was in Rossland last week to gather material for use at the approaching session. As we have said before we do not believe that Mr. Kellie is equal to the task of representing this community. The Rossland end of his district has outgrown him altogether. Perhaps he is doing the best he can. We do not desire to detract anything from any man's well meant intentions, but that does not affect the truth of the statement that Mr. Kellie has an undertaking on his hands which is entirely too much for him.

He is one of the supporters of the Turner government, therefore he has the ear of that government. Why then did

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Description of Property. The Bluebird mineral claim covers about fifty acres and is situated on Green Mountain, four miles northwest of Rossland and about a mile from the Gold Star mine. Considerable prospecting and surface work has been done on the property disclosing a wide and strong vein running through it from east to west. At one point a pit has been opened for a depth of four feet and a length of about eight feet. This cut is all in vein matter, showing no waste at either end. Assays from the ore taken out of this cut ran from \$3 to \$7 per ton in gold.

Plan of Development. The management proposes to start a tunnel on the vein beginning at the crosscut above described. The ground slopes sharply at this point and a depth of 100 feet will be gained in driving the same distance. When the hundred foot station is reached crosscuts will be driven both ways to determine the width of the ore body.

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he not secure to Rossland some more substantial recognition at the last session? If he was unable to grasp the situation last year what is he going to do this? Rossland and the Trail Creek camps have grown enormously in that time. What has the provincial government, aided and abetted by Mr. Kellie, done to foster that growth? What trails or roads have they built? What fire protection have they given to the hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of property here? What did they do in the way of hospitals and medical attendance? The Trail Creek camp owes the government nothing, and while Mr. Kellie may be possessed of good intentions he is allied to a moribund government which has no appreciation of the necessities of a great mining country like that of West Kootenay. So long as Mr. Kellie continues to support the Turner government he will be an unfit representative of Rossland.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

MR. KELLIE admits that this district is entitled to a representative of its own in the provincial parliament, and he intimates that he will advocate legislation to that end this winter. This is a manly admission and does him credit.

It is impossible to give the exact figures as to the provincial government receipts in the Trail Creek district for the year 1896, but they could not have fallen much, if any, below \$100,000. How much of this did the district, and more especially Rossland, get back?

EAST KOOTENAY, with a gross revenue of \$15,000 per annum, has had at more than one session appropriations of more than \$60,000, or four dollars expended for every one collected. In West Kootenay the per centages are reversed. We pay \$4 in taxes for every dollar spent in the district. J. M. Kellie and his government are responsible for this shameless favoritism.

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**JIM CLARK'S MINES**

He is Interested in the Lone Pine and Republic Groups.

**THE ORE IS FREE MILLING**

Claims Are in the Colville Indian Reservation - Ledges Are 80 to 200 Feet Wide - Assays Average About \$28 in Gold.

The reason given by Jim Clark for not accepting the offer to continue as superintendent of the War Eagle mine was that his own mining interests demanded his personal attention. Mr. Clark was fortunate enough last summer to secure a large interest in two groups of mines at Eureka, on the Colville Indian reservation, which give promise of great extent and richness. One of these groups, known as the Lone Pine group, consists of the Lone Pine, Pearl, Surprise and Last Chance. The other group, about two miles away, is made up of the Republic and Jim Blaine.

Eureka camp is at the head of Onrlew creek and can be easily reached from Grand Forks, B. C. Nine men have been at work all winter on these claims, and a good deal is now known of the character and extent of the veins running through them. The ore is a perfectly free milling quartz and runs very high. An open cut has been run across the ledge of the Lone Pine which shows the ore body on the surface to be 200 feet wide.

Mr. Clark has had a great many assays made from the ore exposed in the open cut and he believes the average value is about \$28 in gold. A crosscut tunnel is being run to tap the Lone Pine ledge at considerable depth. The main ore body has not yet been reached, but some stringers leading to it have been cut and the ore in them averages \$28 in gold. Some of the surface ore assayed as high as \$300 in gold.

An open cut 47 feet long has been run on the Republic and a shaft sunk 12 feet deep. Mr. Clark thinks the ore found here will average \$36 in gold. The ore body in the Republic is 80 feet wide. Porphyry is the prevalent rock of the camp.

The crosscut tunnel now being run on the Lone Pine will soon be in far enough to prove the vein at considerable depth and if the width below be as great as it is on the surface the mine will be a wonder. An offer of \$200,000 on a bond with \$1,000 has been made for the two groups but was declined. Another offer made was to pay down \$15,000 in cash, put up a 45-stamp mill and supply the necessary working capital for a half interest, but the two were declined.

Mr. Clark, who is certainly a mining man of great experience and close observation, believes he and his associates have two of the greatest free milling groups yet found in the gold-bearing fields of the Rocky mountain region.

**ONE MINER WAS KILLED.**

Explosion in the Tunnel of the You Like at Mullan.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 23.—[Special.]—A report of a mine disaster at Mullan was received here today. The report came down with the body of William Bringold, one of the miners, who lost his life in consequence of it. Yesterday, while about 40 men were employed in the tunnel of the You Like mine, a sudden explosion occurred. A terrific noise was the first announcement of any danger to the men. It occurred in the tunnel near where they were at work. The tunnel was 1,700 feet long. Every man commenced a struggle to get out of the way of the deadly gas. All succeeded but one, who was overcome and suffocated before he could be rescued.

The explosion came from the magazine but how it ignited is not known. The body of Bringold was brought to Spokane accompanied by his wife. It will be shipped to Rathdrum Idaho tomorrow where the funeral will occur.

**BUILD SAMPLING WORKS.**

F. E. Turner of Butte Has Secured a Site in Rossland.

Will Organize a Company to Erect a Plant—Satisfied There is a Good Opening in Rossland.

F. E. Turner, a mining man from Butte, in the interest of Montana capital, spent the major portion of the past week in the camp, looking over the ground with a view to the establishment of a custom sampling plant. Mr. Turner, after carefully surveying the field, and taking note of the many advantages open to the erection and successful operation of such a plant here, expressed himself as thoroughly satisfied with the opportunity for such a plant to do a large and profitable business.

Associated with Mr. Turner are Geo. H. Casey and other members of the American Development company of Butte, men who thoroughly understand the sampling business. General Charles S. Warren is also said to be one of the syndicate.

The site of the proposed sampler will be very close to both the Columbia & Western and Red Mountain railways. It is reported that a site has been given the new corporation by both Mr. Corbin and the directors of the Great Western Mining company, and the works will be situated on the ground of the Golden Chariot, at a point between both railways and easily accessible to both roads.

It is the intention of the new company to conduct a general ore sampling and purchasing business. A sampler situated close in and conducted by reputable and reliable men on the lines intended by the new corporation, ought to do a first class business with the smaller shippers of the Trail Creek camp. Mr. Turner left for Butte yesterday morning, fully satisfied with the field here for such an enterprise, and will at once organize a company to construct the proposed sampler.

**MINING NOTES.**

The drift of the Sunset No. 2 is now 40 feet long and has been in ore all the way.

The shaft on the Bluebird is now down 70 feet. No crosscutting will be done until the 100-foot level is reached.

The new ore body in the Zilior is now eight feet wide and presents a magnificent appearance.

Good shipping ore is now being taken from the Mayflower and piled on the dump. The mine looks well.

The Mabel tunnel is now in about 190 feet and will probably have to be driven 40 feet further to get the ledge.

Very good ore is now coming from the upraise of the Iron Mask and is being shipped to the Trail smelter.

The tunnel of the Victory on Sheep creek is now in 90 feet. The last assay gave 44 ounces in silver. 7.4 per cent copper and 42 in gold.

The last carload of machinery for the Le Roi's new 40-foot drill compressor has arrived. The plant will be in running order in about 30 days.

Superintendent Maguire of the City of Spokane has commenced a tunnel on the west side of Centre Star gulch with the purpose of cutting the Red Mountain lead. Very satisfactory progress is being made with the work on the Evening Star under the management of H. E. Nichols. A new shaft is being sunk and is now down 20 feet.

Three eight hour shifts put on the California tunnel tomorrow. Only one shift is now at work. The increase is made because of the favorable appearance of the face of the tunnel.

Two drills will be ordered for the Colonna today and as soon as they arrive will be put in operation in the Colonna tunnel. The power will be obtained from the Monte Cristo compressor, which is about 400 feet from the Colonna.

The new ore chute in the Le Roi looks better every day. The last assay gave \$48 in gold, which was \$8 better than the day before, and the ore runs about 10 per cent copper and about two ounces in silver, making the total value about \$60 per ton. The ore chute seems to be widening.

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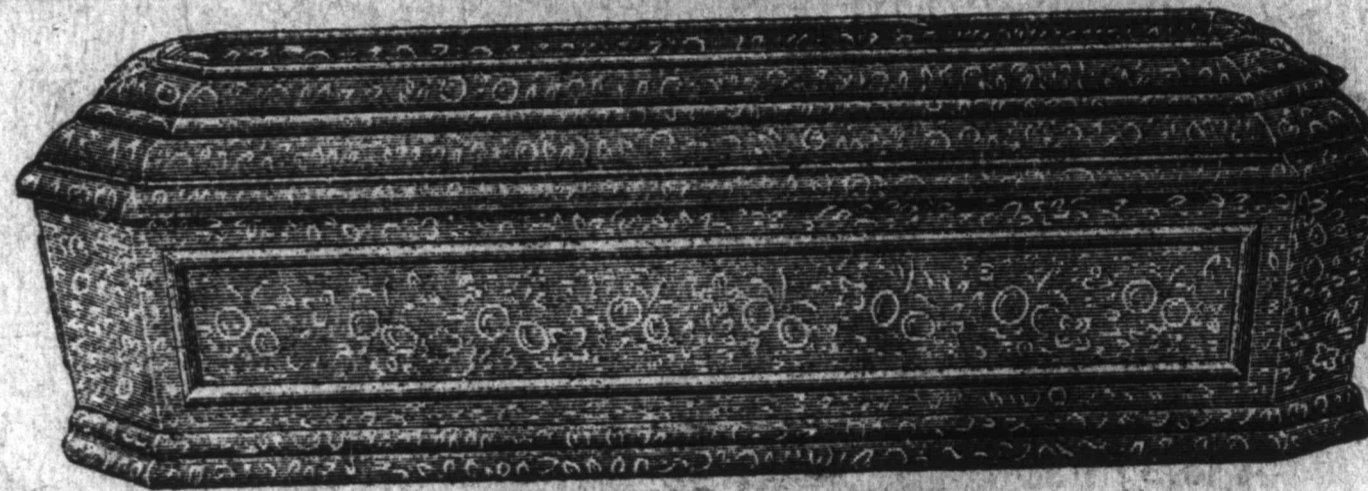
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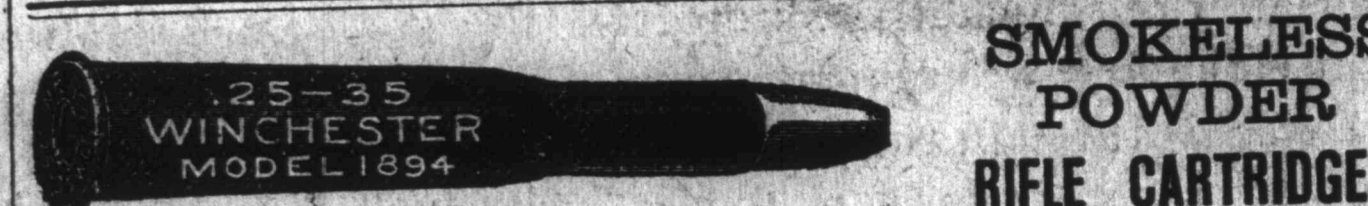
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**Description of Property.**

The Snowdrop is 3/4 miles from Rossland in the South Belt. It is distant from the Crown Point about three-quarters of a mile. Adjoining it on the east is the Summit. A shaft on this claim shows a large ore body assaying \$12 per ton in gold. This vein runs through the Snowdrop. A site has been selected for a tunnel and work on the Snowdrop will be continued all winter.

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**Engineer's Report.**

Extract from a report by Harry Gager, mining engineer: "This group consisting of the Gray Copper, Copper Giant and Blue Copper, all being full claims, fifteen hundred by fifteen hundred feet, are situated on the southeast slope of Lookout Mountain, about ten miles south of Trail, four and one-half miles north of Waneta, on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway, three and a half miles west of Paulton's Landing on the Columbia River and one and one-half miles north of the International boundary line, in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district, British Columbia, and adjoining the Trail & Waneta Gold and Copper Mining Company's property on the south."

**Workings and Outcrop.**

"The development so far consists of several open cuts along the center line on the outcrop, and a shaft on the Copper Giant six by ten feet on the surface by eight feet in depth, tapering to about five by eight feet at the bottom, in diorite, which is much broken on north and south sides and the east end. On the bottom and west end it was comparatively solid. The north and east faces of this shaft are cut irregularly with stringers of quartz, varying from one-half

to five inches in width, and giving evidences of having been forced up through the formation.

"These stringers, or quartz seams are highly mineralized, carrying iron and copper pyrites, malachite, galena and chlorides, assaying from samples taken from various places from a trace to \$4 in gold, 1 1/4 to 6 1/2 per cent in copper and from 15 to 49 2-10 ozs. in silver. One assay for lead gave one per cent. The general trend of these quartz seams or stringers is to the east, pitching at an angle of about forty degrees.

"In my opinion these stringers and the broken condition of the formation in which they are would indicate that they came from a large body of mineral lying below and to the east of the outcrop, which could be opened up either by a crosscut tunnel or by running an incline following along the course of these stringers."

**Conclusion.**

"The showing made on the Copper Giant is in my opinion sufficient to justify the expenditure of both time and money in either crosscutting or following the quartz seams, as there is no doubt in my mind that by doing so a large and valuable ore body will be found."

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AN INFORMAL TALK

Business Men Discussed Public Affairs With Mr. Kellie.

PETITION TO BE PREPARED

Our Member Fears a Broker's License Would Create a Monopoly Instead of a Revenue—His Ideas on the Mineral Act About Eight.

J. M. Kellie, M. P. P., was present at a meeting of a number of the leading mining brokers, held at the office of William Bennison & Co., at 8:30 o'clock Thursday night of last week when several propositions concerning the revision of mining laws and other matters pertaining to the welfare of Rossland and Kootenay were discussed, suggestions made and the views of Mr. Kellie obtained. R. J. Bealey was chosen chairman, and Chas. T. Long acted as secretary.

John Dean suggested that there was a defect in the license act, in that no provision is made for mining and stock brokers to pay license, as required of real estate brokers, and thought the act should be amended to include all brokers or others who sell stocks for commission. Mr. Kellie asked for information as to the purposes of the proposed change. "What benefits are there to be derived from passing such a law?" he inquired. "Do I understand that you want to form yourselves into a close corporation, not on a large scale, perhaps. I am opposed to monopolies, but if you can show me that such a law would be of advantage to the general mining industries of this section I will favor it. If you can show me that view of the question it will receive careful consideration. As yet I am unable to determine the case in that light."

J. M. Miller said that the law would give protection to the mining business and to legitimate brokerage business. Mr. Cover said that today stocks are hawked about the streets, and such business breaks the stability of treasury stock, and that the measure is not wholly in the interest of brokers. "Don't you think you can protect the treasury stock in any other way?" said Mr. Kellie.

Mr. Dean said that ever since he had been in business here he had personal observation of the evils of the existing law because there was no legalized brokerage business. "If you can guarantee me that it is not to secure the formation of a close corporation," said Mr. Kellie, "and that you will not pinch the public, I may be induced to favor such a law."

After some further discussion Mr. Dean moved that it is desirable that the license act be amended to impose a tax on brokers selling mining stocks on commission, the same as real estate agents. There was no dissenting vote. Mr. Kellie then said that he would take pleasure in presenting a petition to the legislature, but would not make any promises, yet, if after a further consideration of the matter, he came to the conclusion that it would benefit the mining industry he would favor it.

President Bealey suggested that the establishment of a land registry office in Rossland or some part of this district be discussed.

Mr. Kellie spoke of the great expense borne by the government. He said that heretofore no registry offices had been established in the mainland as there has not been much business until recently. But now he was satisfied that such a thing is necessary. "The question," he said, "has considerable merit in it and will receive my attention."

Mr. Cover proposed the advisability of the government's establishing the Torrens system of land transfers in British Columbia. Mr. Kellie said that since he has been in the house that question was brought up, but if he recollected rightly it met with strong opposition, so that the bill was dropped.

President Bealey explained at some length the simplicity of the Torrens system and its successful operation in Australia and New Zealand. J. E. Mills spoke in favor of the proposition, giving his testimony of its success in Manitoba.

J. A. Kirk suggested that in order to avoid opposition from the coast that the system be made only to include West Kootenay. No definite action was taken by the meeting on this matter.

The chief discussion of the evening centered on the stand taken by Mr. Dean that there should be some shorter period than one year set for doing assessment work on prospects. He favored the work being done soon after the location of the claim.

Mr. Kellie said that he was one of the committee of four that framed the act of 1891. The quartz and placer acts at that time were badly mixed. The question came up before the mining committee and again but it was not apparent that any great improvement could be made. He thought that the change suggested would work a hardship on the prospector. With reference to the point raised by Mr. Dean that the provisions of the present law were abused by men who locate claims with the view of speculation, never intending to do the work on them or develop them into mines, he said: "I have run across few mining men who are not speculators and few prospectors take up claims to work them. I do not see how the law can be amended to any advantage in that respect."

Mr. Cover spoke of the law bearing on the point in Colorado and remarked that one of the evils of the present law was that the locator was not obliged to mark the boundaries of his claim. He said this led to endless confusion.

Mr. Kellie said: "We have looked at it in this light. If the prospector marked his claim in that manner he would have to have it surveyed and we did not consider it fair that the first locator should be compelled to make surveys for one who comes later to reap the advantage." "The law should be more strict," said Mr. Miller, "in requiring the line to be plainly marked between No. 1 and No. 2 stakes."

"It seems to me," said Mr. Cover, "that you are putting the burden on every prospector who follows, as each

has to survey his claim except the first locator." Mr. Miller contended that the law was not complied with in marking the line between No. 1 and No. 2 stakes. "When a man responds his location," said Mr. Kellie, "he swears that he has marked his claim properly, and if he has not he may be tried for perjury."

W. C. Archer said that miners on both sides of the line, he believed are in favor of the six-stake system. C. C. Woodhouse said he had had 15 years' experience with the American system of staking and one and a half years' experience in British Columbia, and the British Columbia plan was the best.

The question of the incorporation of Rossland was brought to Mr. Kellie's attention. In response he said he was in favor of incorporation. He said the government did not adopt the system of making sewers in Rossland, as the principle would then have to be adopted in other towns and the government could not bear the expense; but now that Rossland had grown so large he considered it necessary for the health of the city that the sanitary conditions be regulated properly. He added that he was in favor of carving up British Columbia into municipalities; that the present system of government, in view of the increased population, should be changed and the municipal form adopted.

Mr. Dean submitted another proposition recommending the necessity of the establishment of county councils for the Kootenay district and road boards distinct from the gold commissioner.

Mr. Kellie expressed himself in favor of such a plan. The subject of taxation of incorporated companies created considerable discussion. Mr. Kellie said that at the coming session an effort would be made to restrict the amount of capital stock of companies, as it was not in the interests of the country that large companies be floated on probable "wildcats." He said that at the present time he did not have any real convictions as to the limitations of capitalization, though he thought that \$300,000 was sufficient at the time of organization. He said he was open to conviction on this point and asked for suggestions.

Mr. Cover moved that a graduated registration fee be imposed on all new mining companies formed for over \$300,000 and also that the matter, at the suggestion of Mr. Kellie, be discussed before the board of trade.

Mr. Archer was one of the chief opponents of the limitation proposed. He did not believe that small companies could develop their property unless they sold their stock at par. He inquired if it was in the province of the legislature to provide for the pooling of stock until a certain amount of the treasury stock was sold. He thought that the complaint respecting the floating of large companies who have only prospects would be obviated if they were compelled to give a good account of the property to the government. He thought that low capitalization would result in little stock being sold and few properties being developed.

Mr. Dean thought it would retard the development of the mining industry if the government insisted on such a small amount of capitalization. He was in favor of all companies making a sworn statement of their capital stock, the amount of treasury stock and the extent and development of the claim. An amendment offered by Mr. Archer was adopted, that fees remain as they are, and the original motion was lost.

Mr. Mills suggested that the government encourage the reduction of British Columbia ores on this side of the line.

Mr. McCrea thought this matter would adjust itself. He said when the capital is here and we have the mines, the means of treating the ore will follow, and it is a good thing that the mines have a place to ship to now, even if it is to the United States.

On motion of Mr. Dean a committee of five was appointed to prepare a record of the motions carried at the meeting, and formulate a petition to the legislature embracing them. It is understood, however, that the committee will act with any other committee appointed by any body of Rossland citizens. The committee consists of R. J. Bealey, G. C. Woodhouse, J. F. McCrea and W. C. Archer.

Mr. Kellie advised the formulating of a petition to the government for a representative of this end of the district. He said this section deserves more recognition from the government, and he felt reasonably sure that it was possible to have a place to ship to next year, and Kootenay would then have another voice in the house. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Kellie, and he replied briefly, stating that he only performed his duty in coming to Rossland to ascertain what the people required.

LYNCH'S FUNERAL POSTPONED.

Instructions From His Relatives at Ottawa are Being Awaited.

John H. Lynch, chief clerk of the Arlington hotel at Trail, who died Wednesday of last week at Dr. Corsan's hospital, will not be buried until his relatives in the east are heard from, and give directions concerning the disposition of his remains. The statement published Thursday that he died of appendicitis is denied. No operation was performed. He was returning from Seattle, where he had been on business, and while on the train near Northport was seized with violent pains in the abdomen. Before he reached Trail he was in a state of collapse, and was admitted to Dr. Corsan's hospital at once. Owing to his weak condition it was considered inadvisable to perform an operation, as it was evident that he had only a few hours to live.

Mr. Lynch was an old resident of Ottawa, and his father was a well-known member of the civil service, having been in the service about 15 years. He died about a year ago. His brother, William, is an accountant in the patent branch of the agricultural department at Ottawa, and has a brother-in-law, Mr. Doherty, a well-known lawyer at Capital, in eastern Canada. The deceased was born in Ottawa, and educated in Ottawa college, now the University of Ottawa, where he was a classmate of Dr. Edward Bows of Rossland. Later he served as a mail clerk in the C. P. R., and in the Ninetieth battalion in the Riel rebellion. For the last five or six years he has lived in British Columbia and Washington. He was the author of Lynch's hotel and railway guide in use on the coast.

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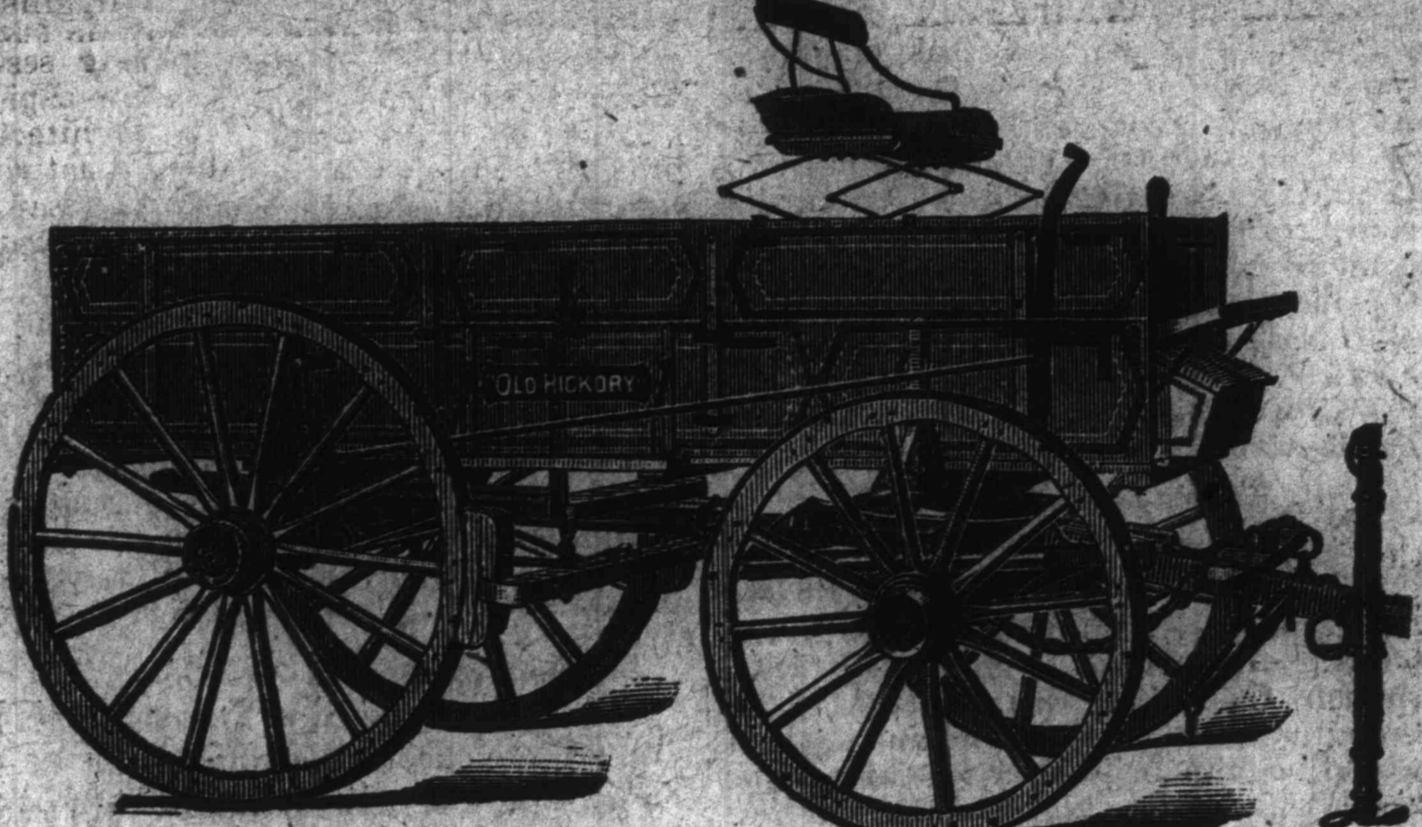
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Promoters Giving Them Attention—New Company to be Launched Under Horne-Payne's Auspices With Sir Charles Tupper as Sponsor.

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LONDON, Jan. 6.—(Special Correspondence)—As I have already pointed out in previous reports there is a growing tendency to pay more attention to the merits of British Columbia mining properties, and evidence of this has just been furnished by the general reference to the prospects of the province in nearly all the financial journals, daily and weekly alike, which published a complete record of the past year's doings. It seems to be taken for granted that we are on the threshold of a "boom" in British Columbia mines, and I hear of several new companies which are being formed on this side to acquire mining properties in your province. The prospectus of one important company concerned with British Columbia is expected to make its appearance next Saturday, and if possible I hope to be able to get you an advance prospectus. I am told that this venture will come out under the auspices of Mr. Horne-Payne. I am also told that Sir Charles Tupper, the late prime minister of the Dominion, will act as a sponsor for this new company.

Lillooet and Fraser River shares keep firm at 1 1/2 to 1 1/4; but Invercues are no better than a 1/4, and Big Valley Creek are not dealt in to any extent. Indeed, I cannot get a price for them, and I am told that it is quite probable that the company will require more funds before it will be able to place its property on a paying basis. Let us hope that it will not be found necessary to reconstruct this company in order to provide further capital. I have not heard anything lately about the progress that is being made by the Golden River Quesselle. No doubt many holders of these shares would be pleased if you could secure from your agent on the spot some information regarding this company. The Hill Mines Limited has been severely criticised by the London Joint Stock Review, and the price of its shares is but little removed from par; but a recovery has been noted in Vancouver syndicates, which as I recently informed you, had a severe tumble as a result of the Galena Mines fiasco.

#### Two Companies Wound Up.

As is but natural at the commencement of a new year we regard with a critical eye the record of the old, and in looking down the list of companies which have passed out of existence during 1896, one meets with a few whose operations were in some degree concerned in British Columbia. It will be well if in twelve months' time, when we scan the roll-call for 1897, we shall be able to chronicle as few names as we do now. Among the companies which were wound up voluntarily there are but two, the British North American Exploration company and the Revelstoke Mining company. Two others appear among the list of those which were wound up with a view to a continued existence in another form—the Anglo-Canadian Exploration company and the Canadian Pacific Land & Mortgage company.

#### Keeps Them Guessing.

The Financial News has caused no little speculation in city circles by its announcement on January 1 that an important undertaking connected with British Columbia was shortly to be brought before the public, and that it would be launched under the auspices of gentlemen holding high positions in that colony and others well known in the city. People are a little bit curious as to whether it is the War Eagle come to life again after all, or merely a new large exploration company. The exceedingly cold reception given to the Galena Mines company reacted for a short time in the shares of the Vancouver Syndicate, which fell a few points, but the price quietly and quickly rose, and they now stand at £9, which is ample proof of the extreme favor in which these shares are held, and there are few colonial syndicates in a more enviable position than this one.

#### Railways in Canada.

The Canadian Magazine seems to think that Canada is building railways too fast and in proof of this cites the fact that the proportion of net revenue to capital cost of railway is in Cape Colony nearly 6 per cent; in India, 5; South Africa, 2 1/2. In Canada it is but 1 1/2. Tasmania alone of all the British colonies giving a lower return. There are 16,091 miles of track in the Dominion, to assist in the construction of which the government has contributed at the rate of \$9,969 a mile. The sum total, taking into consideration the aid given by provincial governments and municipalities, amounts to \$195,000,000. It is claimed that the cost of a railway should not be more than ten times its annual traffic, and if this axiom holds good it would appear that more money has been spent in railways in Canada than the position of affairs would warrant, for while the gross receipts of the Canadian railroads in 1896 amounted to \$48,785,487, the paid up capital was \$994,560,559, the ratio of gross traffic to cost being but 5.1. I do not consider that railway construction in an immense unpopulated country like Canada can be fairly judged on the same lines as railways constructed in England or Belgium, and although the country may at present appear excessive there can be little doubt that had the country been obliged to wait for its railroads until there was sufficient traffic to satisfy the 10 per cent requirement, the development of the country would have been greatly restricted. It is more than probable that the wisdom of this enterprising construction policy will be made plain in the near future when the mines of Kootenay and the Rainy River districts are attracting emigrants in really considerable numbers.

#### The Mining Market.

It is satisfactory to be able to report that there are signs of re-awakening interest on the part of the public in West-

ralians, for the recent depression in the mining market has landed the prices of many excellent properties at a very low level. Indian mines which have recently been very brisk are a little quieter, and New Zealand properties are also dull for the moment. A feature has been the fresh rise in copper shares, Rio Tinto advancing to £28 and Cape Tharisa, Mount Lyell and the cheaper shares, in sympathy with the position of the market for the metal which closed the end of the year for G. M. B's at £49 1/2, at which date the total stocks in England and France, and about to these countries from Chili and Australia, was 34,927 tons, against 45,817 a year ago, when the price was 75 1/2d cheaper and the total supplies were 14,613 tons against 21,575 tons of the end of 1896. The total deliveries for the last month of the old year amounted 148 tons less than the supplies, but 6,900 tons more than at the same period of 1896.

#### American Companies.

In regard to American companies the chief point has been the issue of the first annual report of the Anaconda company which was published a few days ago, and a copy of which I send you. From this you will gather that the company made a profit in round figures of \$4,000,000 for the year. It is contended that the present state of efficiency to which the equipment of the mine has been brought will enable the copper to be produced at a cheaper cost in the future. You will notice that during the past year, over a \$1,000,000 of the profits were devoted to permanent improvements, and as the company has been able to pay 10 per cent to its shareholders it is more than possible that we shall see a further advance in the shares which now stand at about £8 2s 6d for the £5 share, showing a rise of 6s since my last report.

De Lamars are a little under, but Grand Centrals have declined to £1 1/2 on the December return, showing a profit of only £8,000 compared with net earnings of £10,000 for November. Gustons are firmer. Cripple Creek Gold Fields are quite neglected. Poormans are nominally 7 1/2d, although it would probably be difficult to find buyers even at this price for the latter shares. Richmond Consolidated are 12s 6d, ex-dividend and that old Brazilian favorite, St. John del Rey, is a shade better at 15s. The Tolima issues, which are among the few American properties in this market listed as dividend payers, are each about 5s above their last market-up prices, while the Alaska group, which are also, of course, in the same respectable category, remain firm at last prices. Dicken's Custer are quoted nominally at 6d, while El Callaos are priced at 2s 6d.

#### South African Situation.

The recovery in mining shares to which I referred in my last has not been fully maintained, partly, no doubt, owing to the uneasiness felt at the reception given to Mr. Rhodes by Cape Colony prior to his departure for England to meet the charges brought against him in connection with the Jameson affair. It is felt that the various demonstrations were somewhat ill-timed, and that they were not likely to heal the breach between the Uitlanders and the Boers. It is, however, satisfactory to know that the inquiry by a parliamentary commission into the famous invasion of the Transvaal will shortly be held and after this it is hoped that South Africa will eschew politics and turn its attention to the development of its vast mineral resources. That the country is not yet pacified is proved by another rising in Africa, this time on the Mashowing river, Bechuanaland, news arriving today from Cape Town that there has been an outbreak in this locality. It is, however, hoped that this is only an isolated instance, and that it will be subdued with the celerity with which the previous rebellion in Bechuanaland was reduced. In all conscience we have had enough of conspiracies and rebellions on the Dark Continent during the past 12 months, and we should all welcome a rest from strife.

#### General Stocks Are Good.

On the whole the New Year has begun with a more cheerful feeling in the mining market, and although prices are still apparently unable to register any sensational advances, it is encouraging to be able to chronicle a very welcome change for the better in the tone of not only the mining department, but the stock markets generally. At the turn of the year money, of course, experienced the usual spasm of tightness, but the release of the dividends and interest moneys has already had a good effect, and consols keep in the elevated region of 112. English railway stocks have been prominently supported this week, owing to the belief that we shall presently be able to record another budget of increased dividends. "Yankee" rails are still out in the cold, pending some definite policy regarding the Cuban question. Grand Trunk Railway company of Canada securities are firm on the improvement in the earnings, and Canadian Pacific shares have been supported on the view that the coming activity in the development of your mines must prove of benefit to that company. In foreign railways much attention has been paid to Argentine railways, while Argentine government securities are also still supported in the belief that the rearrangement of the debt will prove satisfactory. A feature has been the recovery in Brazilian bonds; while foreign stocks as a rule have been fairly well supported, although at the present time industrial securities of all kinds share with home rails the favor of investors.

#### DISCOVERY NEAR SPOKANE.

Mineral Claim Located in Deep Creek Canyon—Good Surface Showing.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Valuable mineral has been discovered in Deep Creek canyon, a few miles west of this city. This forenoon John Noy filed a quartz location at the auditor's office. The location is known as the Prairie Point lode. It is situated in Deep Creek canyon about 12 miles west of Spokane and six miles east of Deep Creek falls. The surface showing is reported to be very fine, and Mr. Noy will immediately start upon the work of development.

#### A Little Left to Explore.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 22.—Speaking to the normal school students last night Dr. Dawson, director of the geological survey, said that in 1880 there were 900,000 square miles of unexplored territory in Canada, now there were only 400,000 square miles unexplored. The new territory explored was in Labrador and west of Hudson bay.

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