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IS THE C. P. R. TITLE WEAK?

People of East Kootenay Aroused to Enquire About the Crown Granting of a Big Block—A Strong Belief that the Land Still Belongs to the Crown.

FORT STEELE, May 6.—It is alleged that there is a cloud upon the title of another large East Kootenay land grant to the C. P. R. The recent signing of the lieutenant-governor of the bill cancelling the grant of over 600,000 acres in block 4593, embracing the whole of the southeast corner of British Columbia, has resulted in investigations here with regard to the titles to other C. P. R. land grants from the provincial government, and hence it is that a new and startling discovery has been made.

Adjoining block 4593 on the west is block 4589, containing about one million acres of coal, oil, timber and farm lands. The grant is many miles wide, and extends from the international boundary northwards across the Crow's Nest Pass railway and into the heart of the Elk river country. This tract of land is fully as rich, if not more so, than the now famous Flathead district contained in block 4593.

It is certain that the crown grant to block 4589 was irregularly issued if a survey was not made according to the prescribed rules of the provincial government. It is a plainly established fact that actual survey of the ground has not been made and notes of the same filed in the department of lands and works at Victoria before a crown grant can be properly issued.

Unless these rules have been complied with the railway company's title to the million acres in block 4589 is open to question. Prospectors and surveyors returning from the Flathead district declare that they have been unable to discover any trace of the so-called eastern boundary of block 4589. It is thought that the crown grant was issued upon merely a description of metes and bounds, and therefore block 4589 is government land and open to location and preemption by the general public.

There is a rumor here to the effect that Col. Prior, the premier of British Columbia, has been aware of all this for some time, but the astonishing feature of it is that he has taken no steps to save this magnificent heritage to the people. It is not known whether E. V. Bodwell, the legal representative of the Great Northern railway at Victoria, has ever been consulted upon the subject, but there is a report in circulation to the effect that he is fully conversant with all the circumstances surrounding the issuance of the crown grant and could make some interesting revelations were he asked to do so. The great trouble is that the people of East Kootenay have become so impoverished by the policy of the provincial government,

which has tied up almost the whole district for the benefit of the C. P. R., that they cannot raise sufficient funds to take up the case.

The fact that their representative in the legislature, E. C. Smith, has recently flopped to the government side of the house has left them in a worse plight than ever.

The outlook for East Kootenay is hopeless unless the oppositionists in the legislature come to the rescue. They feel that if Hon. Richard McBride, the leader of the Opposition, would come out squarely against the aggression of the railway company in this district, all would yet be well. There are millions of acres of land and millions upon millions of dollars to be saved to the province.

This rumor concerning the title to the million acres in block 4589 has started prospectors to the district. The block contains some of the richest coal, petroleum and agricultural lands in Western Canada. A great excitement is likely to follow, and an army of fortune hunters is expected from the United States. If it is finally proved that block 4589 belongs to the crown instead of the C. P. R. it is safe to say that there will be 50,000 strangers located in this section within the next two years.

PROGRESS IN THE MINES

White Bear Is to Have a Spur from the C. P. R. Line.

Survey Now Under Way—Straightening Spitzee Shaft.

The most recent development in connection with the plans for the White Bear this summer is that of securing direct connection with the railroad. Preliminary steps in this direction are now being taken.

R. A. Bainbridge, resident engineer of the Kootenay-Boundary division of the Canadian Pacific, has been in the city since Saturday night with a couple of assistants for the purpose of locating a spur to the White Bear works.

The surveyed line as demarcated up to the present time leaves the main line between the water tank and Union avenue, and follows the course of Trail creek to the mine buildings. An excellent grade can be secured at comparatively small cost for grading, and the land traversed is of comparatively small value for other purposes owing to its proximity to the creek.

An advantage to the company at this juncture will obtain from the prompt construction of the spur, inasmuch as they figure on extensive building during the summer and will secure a concrete advantage by the delivery of materials of all descriptions and machinery on the ground instead of being compelled to use wagons between the railroad and the mine.

WORK IN THE SHAFT.

Work has been commenced in the shaft of the Spitzee mine, and the resumption of underground operations is thus to be facilitated. The level of the horizontal reduced to the level of the horizontal workings, the management concluded to proceed with the alterations to the shaft as the result of which a straight incline will be secured instead of the irregular angle previously in existence. The work will be carried on concurrently with the unwinding, and the end in view is to have matters in such shape that when the mine is unwinded, the shaft will be in shape to receive the new winding plant, and development of the 100 and lower levels can proceed without interruption.

APPROACHED CITY.

Yesterday the Spitzee company took steps to procure permission from the city to dump the material extracted in development work on the streets in the neighborhood of the mine. Their proposal is to deposit this waste material on the streets under the direction of the city engineer. Two advantages, however, that are being sought for, are claimed, will result from the incorporation granting the request. One is that the mine will be enabled to pro-

ceed at once with development work, employing twenty or twenty-five men as soon as these operations are properly under way. The second advantage claimed for the suggestion is the improved thoroughfares to be secured. The roads on which the waste will be deposited are at present mere foot-paths through brush and low-lying land about "small creek." Waste rock placed evenly over the roads will make the best possible basis for a permanent and substantial road of considerable value to that section of the city. The addition of a foot of soil to evenly distributed waste would finish off a road that would be unequalled in the city. The board of works has the request in hand and will report to council next week.

AFTER MANY DAYS

LONG DRAWN OUT SUIT OF CLARK VS. COLLOM CLOSED YESTERDAY.

SETTLEMENT BY WHICH PLAIN-TIFF SECURES A LARGE SUM OF MONEY.

A famous Kootenay law suit came to a sudden close yesterday afternoon when the litigants in the long-drawn out action of Clark vs. Colloom agreed upon the terms of a settlement, which disposes of the issue altogether. The case was set down for a hearing at this sittings of the Supreme court, but has been withdrawn from the calendar.

The case received notoriety from one end of Canada to the other last year because of the committal to jail of William McAdams, editor of the Sandon Paystreak, for contempt of court in making comments on the delays in Clark vs. Colloom, which the Supreme court judges deemed offensive. The treatment of the editor evoked a storm of criticism, and McAdams's sentence was speedily revoked.

Almost three years ago, J. K. Clark, of New Denver, commenced suit against Frank Colloom, managing director of the Arlington mine, near Slooan City, to compel the delivery of \$3,000 shares of stock in the Arlington company, which Clark maintained was due him as commission on the sale of the property to the Arlington company. The action was vigorously fought by the defendants. A series of points were raised in the Supreme court and then appealed to the full court, thus dragging out the litigation considerably. Finally the delays of the law were exhausted, and the matter was to have been fought out here this week. The plaintiff has been in Rossland for several months, and was joined here on Monday by his solicitor, F. L. Christie, of Sandon. On Sunday W. A. Macdonald, K. C., solicitor for the defendant company, came over to consult the plaintiff with a view to a settlement. Yesterday afternoon the matter was finally closed up, the agreements signed, sealed and delivered, and the case concluded.

The sum involved in the settlement has not been divulged, on the ground that value might be placed on Arlington stock by inference, this being one of the clauses of agreement. Mr. Christie intimates, however, that his client receives a cash consideration that was deemed reasonable and runs into a considerable amount. RK epap, vaO the cmfwpv cmfw

NEWS OF GREENWOOD.

Smallpox Crosses the Line — Telegraph Absorption.

GREENWOOD, May 11.—It is stated that smallpox is spreading at Chesaw, across the international boundary line south of Rock Creek, and now a case is reported from the British Columbia side of the line, towards the Anarchist Mountain farming section. A Mrs. Butler, whose husband was in the saddlery and harness business in Greenwood for several years, is said to be in a precarious condition, suffering from this disease in severe form. The proper medical officer at Greenwood some time since placed guards at Midway and Myers Creek, but there is such a long stretch of unprotected boundary line that it is not practicable to entirely prevent communication between the infected district and points on the British Columbia side of the line. For instance, a man was in Greenwood from Chesaw last week, and to get here he had first gone to Republic, so it is alleged, crossed the line there to Grand Forks and so round to Greenwood. The case at Anarchist Mountain is supposed to have been occasioned by a visitor from Chesaw to this town in question, prior to that visit there was no known case on this side of the line in that district. The victim is a child of a farmer named Wisted. Government Agent McMynn upon receiving the report promptly took precautions to prevent the spread of the disease and also arranged for medical supervision of the case.

Late last Friday night D. C. Corbin and A. M. Thomas arrived from Spokane, and met there John Dean, George A. Keating and A. H. MacNeill, of Rossland, and Duncan Ross, of Greenwood, these several gentlemen being officially connected with either the Yale Kootenay T. & P. Co. or the Great Northern. The meeting held after the arrival of the Spokane contingent was for the purpose of formally ratifying the sale to the Great Northern of the telegraph system in the Boundary district put in under a provincial charter obtained in 1899 by the Yale Kootenay T. & P. Co., which built a line in British Columbia from the boundary line at Cascade to Carson and from Midway to Greenwood, the connecting lines giving through communication to Spokane and other points being in Washington. The Yale Kootenay company's telegraph business in this district was generally regarded as the Spokane Northern system, but since the first of this year, when it passed into the hands of the Great Northern, it has been called the Yale Kootenay system. Probably it will in time become known as the Great Northern, but after all the name does not matter much.

FOR WATER RIGHTS.

Several Applications Filed with the Gold Commissioner.

Several applications for water rights in the Rossland district have been filed with the gold commissioner. The White Bear company is asking for 40 miners' inches of water, to be taken by a flume from the Black Bear pond and returned to Trail creek below the company's works. The application comes up on May 21st.

The Jessie F. Mining company of Trail asks for 500 inches from Sheep creek, and their application will be heard on May 30th.

F. R. Newman asks for 100 inches to be taken from Little Sheep creek near Paterson, to be utilized for agricultural purposes.

WEEK SEES AN ADVANCE

Mining Review of Especially Gratifying Nature—Progress Made.

More Mines Ship, Tonnage Greater—Construction Work.

The past week has seen further advances in connection with the mining industry of the Rossland district. The Kootenay has attained the shipping list, the Jumbo and Spitzee mines are on the working list anew and the announcements of the White Bear point to substantial activity at that property this summer. The outlook for a prosperous season in the Golden City is substantially enhanced as the outcome of the week's developments.

Shipments, too, are larger than for several weeks previous, and undoubtedly afford a criterion of the magnitude of the camp's weekly output when conditions conduce to increased tonnage, which should now be at a comparatively early date. The Rossland mines are prepared to ship a much larger tonnage than they have produced for some weeks, but the coke shortage is still felt at the smelters, and until this disability is removed the mines will not have a free hand in respect to shipments. The report from Trail in regard to coke supplies is that the plant succeeds in maintaining its three copper furnaces in operation by extraordinary precautions. To quote one of the officials' expressions, "able to reach on every carload of coke compared to us from East Kootenay and follow it up until it is delivered at the works. This vigilance enables us to keep all the copper furnaces running, but the available reserve of coke is too meagre to be satisfactory."

At Northport conditions are practically unchanged, although a report is to hand that coke is coming in from East Kootenay a little more freely. This slight relief enables the management to keep three furnaces running, but the company is still suffering a severe comminuted hardship by reason of its inability to obtain the other half of the furnace. It is obvious that Rossland's interests are affected adversely, but, fortunately, the prospect is bright for radical improvements in connection with fuel supplies, principal among the factors that will contribute to the better being the construction of new headworks at the camp, and the various Crow's Nest collieries.

The outlook for still further increases in the list of working mines in the Rossland camp continues to be bright. It is expected that at an early date the construction of new headworks at the property, which adjoints the Grant on the north. The New York directors of the New St. Elmo are also understood to be making inquiries here, the effect of which is to indicate their intention of resuming mining at the property, which developments are understood to be on the tapis.

It seems likely that the Rossland camp will see considerable construction work under way this summer. The White Bear people are on record in respect to the erection of new headworks, the completion and framing shop; the Le Roi Two will have its mill buildings under way within the next few weeks; the Kootenay has plans under way for a \$25,000 tramway; the Spitzee is preparing plans for compressor plant and headworks; the Centre Star concentrator has construction work planned that will employ further men. The ensuing summer is, therefore, likely to be the liveliest in this respect for several years.

THE OUTPUT.

Shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending May 9th and for the year to date are as follows:

	Week.	Year.
Le Roi	3,120	66,834
Centre Star	2,040	29,848
War Eagle	990	20,205
Le Roi No. 2	700	9,237
White Bear	20	189
Valve	150	2,346
O. K.	25	25
Giant	335	335
Kootenay	220	445
Honestake	90	90
Totals	7,945	129,454

AMONG THE MINES.

KOOTENAY.—As the largest producer to rejoin the shipping list this week the Kootenay is naturally to the fore. The production for the week can scarcely be regarded as an average, inasmuch as the road was not in the most desirable shape for the first few days of the week, while some of the teams were new to the work. The present week will see more ore handled, the forecast being 300 tons for the week. At the mine the commencement of shipments has not altered the program, as a very large tonnage of ore had been broken in at a very early date. The various levels are being sampled to break ore. No new development work of importance has been undertaken.

LE ROI.—The week has passed uneventfully at the Le Roi, although the report of new developments in lower levels is persistently circulated. The fresh developments in connection with the mine, the usual program of development, exploration and stoping being carried ahead steadily. It is intended to blow in additional furnaces at the smelter, as soon as the coke supply is adequate, and this will have the effect of increas-

ing the shipments from the mine substantially. Shipments for May will probably be a few thousand tons greater than during April.

LE ROI TWO.—In the Jose mine work is carried ahead as usual on the two, three and five levels. In the No. 1 the second and third levels are being developed along the routine lines. It is stated that the big dump at the No. 1 contains a big tonnage of ore admirably suited to milling purposes, and that a large supply of such ore is being taken out in anticipation of the inauguration of concentration at the company's properties. Developments are promised shortly in connection with the mill.

CENTRE STAR.—The mine has been much to the front during the week in connection with the interesting litigation commenced a few days since. The underground operations have not been changed during the week. It will be noted that a slight increase in shipments has taken place.

GIANT.—Interesting developments are expected in the course of the next few days in connection with the Giant. The lower tunnel is rapidly approaching the point where the intersection of the vein should be effected. Much depends upon the dip of the ledge, which, of course, can only be approximated with the experience gained in the upper workings as a criterion. The mine was not able to resume shipments last week, the Trail smelter, it is stated, not being in a position to take the ore for a few days longer.

SPITZEE.—During the week substantial advances were made with the unwinding of the mine, which is proceeding under the direction of the foreman, Frank Nicholls. The water has been taken out to the back of the 100 level, from that point the unwinding process will be somewhat slower, but no time will be lost in lowering the pumps, which has been the case heretofore. It is probable that the straightening of the shaft will be undertaken early in the week. This will permit of work being resumed in the horizontal workings practically as soon as the water is drained.

WAR EAGLE.—No developments of importance are reported for the week in connection with the War Eagle. The usual program is closely adhered to with satisfactory results.

J. H. L.—The lessees are now at work seeking taking out ore and preparing for further extraction. It is probable a shipment will be made at an early date.

O. K.—The report from the mine is that work is proceeding steadily along the usual lines. Another shipment is being prepared.

JUMBO.—The Jumbo is again on the working list, and while the operations at this particular juncture are on a small scale, the fact is accepted as an augury of increased activity as soon as circumstances are propitious. A portion of the wagon road is out of the direct axis of the sun, and still carries snow, precluding necessary repairs for a short time. Pending this and the conclusion of negotiations now under way with the smelter, no important underground operations will be undertaken.

ST. JOSEPH'S.—Manager Blochberg was in the city for a day or two last week. He stated that the men at the mine had removed their families to the property and that a camp on a small scale had been started. He is anxiously awaiting the verdict of the provincial authorities as to the construction of the much-needed wagon road, stating his willingness to employ ten or twelve men as soon as machinery and supplies can be taken to the property on reasonable terms, which is impossible under existing circumstances. The tunnel at the level has about 25 feet to run before the ledge will be picked up.

CONTACT.—Henry P. Jackson, managing director, states that conditions are improving in connection with Burnt Basin, and that operations at the Contact may be resumed shortly. The scale of operations depends largely upon the decision of the provincial authorities in respect to the wagon road, which is essential to the delivery in Burnt Basin of the machinery necessary to extensions of the main workings.

GREEN MOUNTAIN.—Work at the mine is still confined to the surface. It is understood that the proposed additions to the plant will be got under way shortly.

HUNGRY MAN.—A start has been made with mining on the property, and the next week or two is likely to see increased activity.

BIG FOUR.—Work is being done in the second level of the property, where the breast of the tunnel carries a thirty-inch showing of good looking ore. The company hopes to make a shipment at an early date.

BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS.

Boundary ore shipments for the past week were as follows: Granby mines, 780 tons; Mother Lode mine to Greenwood smelter, 250 tons; Emma mine to Trail smelter, 450 tons; B. C. mine to Greenwood smelter, 780 tons; Snowshoe mine to Greenwood smelter, 240 tons;

Total for the week 11,938 tons. Total for the year to date 174,079 tons.

The Granby smelter treated last week 7338 tons, making a total of 114,720 tons for 1903.

TO ENGLAND SOON.

Anthony J. McMillan will re-cross the Big Pond shortly.

Anthony J. McMillan, managing director of the Le Roi and Snowshoe companies, has just returned from a week's visit to Victoria, where he had business with the government. He states that the political situation is very complicated. No one seems to know what will happen from day to day, but general opinion seems to be that the election should be held in the country before it is decided upon, there is hardly likely to be an election for three or four months yet. Mr. McMillan expects to leave for England within a few days, probably returning to Rossland with George S. Waterlow.

BIG STRIKE IN JOSIE MINE

The Rich Annie Vein Picked up on the 700-Foot Level.

Adds Thousands of Tons to the Mine's Rich Ore Reserve.

Recent developments in connection with the Josie mine are of such a nature that the property must hereafter be classified among the most valuable in the Rossland camp. In addition to the facts chronicled in Sunday's Miner, further information is to hand that indicates conditions at the Josie that are of vital importance to the property and to the camp.

The rich Annie vein has been opened up on the 300 and 500 levels west of the dyke that intruded into the workings and led to the condition of affairs developed last fall and exploited at great length in the press of London and Rossland. On both levels the Annie vein has proved as strong as was the case east of the dyke, and the values are exceptionally high.

Within the past few days the vein has been picked up by diamond drilling on the 700 level. This is an extremely important strike.

Yesterday a drift was started to open up the ore body on the 700 level, and these workings will be in ore at a comparatively early date. The diamond drill has been dropped to the 900 level, where drilling will be commenced with a view to picking up the continuation of the vein on that level.

The importance of the foregoing discoveries will be grasped at a glance. It means that between the 300 and 700 foot levels the remarkably rich vein known as the Annie has been proved to exist. The tonnage thus blocked out runs into the thousands, and assures prosperity and profits to the Le Roi No. 2 for several years at least. The conditions justify the prediction that the Annie will be maintained in the future, much to the advantage of the Rossland camp and district.

TWAS PAY DAY.

Over \$43,000 Distributed Among Miners of Three Companies.

Yesterday was pay day at several of the larger mines, and a considerable sum in cash was placed in circulation among the employees of the respective concerns.

The Le Roi paid out \$27,500, the Le Roi No. 2 distributed \$12,000, and the Rossland-Kootenay company disbursed \$4000 in wages. The total sum thus earned by the employees of the three companies was \$43,500.

The Velvet mine paid out about \$3000 for April wages and the War Eagle and Centre Star companies' disbursements for the month were \$1000. These will swell the aggregate Rossland wage roll for April to about \$75,000.

NORTHPORT SMELTER BLAZE.

Some Damage Done to the Caldecide Building on Sunday.

NORTHPORT, Wash., May 11.—Fire did about \$1000 damage to the roof of the fine dust chamber and to the south end of the caldecide building of the Le Roi smelter yesterday morning.

When first noticed the flames were roaring out of one end of the false roof over the dustroom. Before a line of hose could be run the entire roof was ablaze. This roof extends over a large arched brick chamber used to collect fine dust, which is made into bricks and resmelted. The wood was as dry as tinder, and the heat from the brick. No ventilators had been provided to expel the heat, which became intense enough to almost cause combustion. It is supposed a spark touched some wood by coming through a crack or break in the arches of the roof. The flames worked up the eaves of the caldecide building and for a time it seemed that the building was doomed. Insurance is ample.

ON LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Yesterday's quotations for Rossland shares on the London stock exchange were as follows:

Le Roi	21 1/2
Le Roi No. 2	21 9/8

Le Rois are quoted at the figure that has ruled for some days. The sharp rally of a couple of days before in the Le Roi Two has been followed by a slight relapse, but the shares are still \$1.50 above the figure quoted for some days previous to the rally.



BROS. COLUMBIA

Agents: Bank of British North America, Rossland, B. C., and London, England, of Montreal, Rossland, B. C.

OFFICERS ELECTED

ANNUAL MEETING OF NO. 1 COMPANY ASSOCIATION HELD.

REPORTS NEW YEAR UNDER FAVORABLE CIRCUMSTANCES—SHOOTING SOON.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The annual meeting of No. 1 Company Mountain Rangers association came and gone, and the company commences a new year under favorable auspices. In connection with the local militia is an association distinct from military organization. This association receives all the pay drawn by officers and men of the company and disburses the funds so pooled for benefit of the members as a whole.

The shooting arrangements, mess rooms, uniforms and other features not provided for by the militia department are financed by the association, which constitutes an important factor in the prior economy of the corps.

The officers elect for the current year are: Sergeant Walter P. Dockerill—President; Sergeant-Major Charles A. Barrett—Vice-president; Private Carpenter—Secretary-treasurer; General Committee—Privates McKen, Johnson and Rigby.

Range Committee—Captain Townsend, Corporal Smith, Lance-Corporal Roberts and Private Dell. Mess Committee—Eugle-Major Barrett, Privates Carpenter, Harvey and Dell. The invitation to the company to spend Dominion Day in Nelson was accepted with certain stipulations that have been communicated to the Queen City committee.

The matter of the shooting program for the season was gone into after a report had been received from the retiring range committee to the effect that on Sunday last they had gone over the ranges and done considerable work, the fact of which was to render the ranges ready for use at any juncture. Shooting will commence on Saturday and Sunday next, and will be maintained throughout the season.

FATALITY AT YMIR

WATCHMAN AT WILCOX MILL KILLED BY BEING CAUGHT IN MACHINERY.

HIS BODY FOUND REVOLVING YESTERDAY WITH THE MAIN SHAFT.

YMIR, May 5.—A frightful fatality occurred during last night at the Wilcox mill. When the day shift went to work this morning between 5 and 6 o'clock they were horrified to discover the dead body of W. J. Salmon revolving with the shaft of the main pulley. Life had apparently been extinct for several hours, and a hole 12 inches in depth had been worn in the ground beneath by the continuous beating of the body.

Salmon was 23 years old and a native of Ottawa, Ont. He had been employed at the Wilcox mine for the past nine months, and was in charge of the mill during the night. While at work a portion of his clothing became caught in the shaft, and he was whirled to death without a chance for his life. The remains will be taken to Ottawa by Thomas Wilson of Ymir.

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A HORRIBLE POSSIBILITY

Should Nickel Plate Water Burst Into Centre Star Mine.

Litigation Between Companies on Various Points.

(From Thursday's Daily.) The Centre Star Mining Company has commenced an interesting action in the supreme court...

The plaintiff's claim is for— 1. Damages for trespass for wrongfully breaking into and entering the plaintiff's mineral land...

THE WATER MENACE.

General Manager Kirby of the Centre Star, when approached yesterday and asked for a statement, refused to discuss the situation further than to say that circumstances had arisen that compelled him to institute legal proceedings against the Rossland-Kootenay company.

EXTRA-LATERAL RIGHTS.

William Thompson, general manager of the Rossland-Kootenay company, was asked for an expression as to the suit. He stated that he had absolutely nothing to say in the premises.

THE WELCOME SPRINKLER.

City Watering Cart Made its Debut for 1933 Yesterday. (From Thursday's Daily.) Yesterday saw the city sprinkling cart make its debut for the season.

RANG LATE.

Curfew Bell was Sprung an Hour Later Than Usual Last Night. (From Thursday's Daily.) Beginning with last night, the curfew bell will toll in Rossland an hour later

JUMBO MINE STARTS TODAY

Small Crew on Start—To Increase as Circumstances Permit.

Property Has Large Body of \$13 Ore Blocked Out.

WHITE BEAR PLANS TO BUILD LARGER PLANT AT MINE AND ERECT CONCENTRATOR.

(From Thursday's Daily.) Operations are resumed today at the Jumbo mine after the property has been shut down for three years. This constitutes another of the factors making for vastly improved conditions in the Rossland district during the approaching summer.

ELMORE APPARATUS

LE ROI TWO'S OIL CONCENTRATION PLANT AT MONTREAL.

PLANS FOR CONCENTRATOR ARE NOW MAKING RAPID PROGRESS.

(From Friday's Daily.) The Elmore Oil concentration machinery for the Le Roi No. 2 company was delivered yesterday in Montreal, and will be shipped to Rossland as rapidly as possible.

THE CITY CONSENTS.

Will Permit White Bear Company to Close Streets and Lanes.

(From Friday's Daily.) The board of works committee of the city council met last night pursuant to the resolution passed at last council meeting authorizing the board to pass upon the application of the White Bear company to close certain streets and lanes in the White Bear addition to the townsite.

READY TO DELIVER.

T. C. Hartman Will Turn Over the Ski Trophy When Desired.

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HIS FAREWELL VISIT

WILLIAM DOWNIE BADE HIS ROSSLAND FRIENDS ADIEU YESTERDAY.

LEAVES SATURDAY FOR WIDER FIELD OF USEFULNESS IN THE EAST.

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FOUNDATION STONE FIRST BALL GAME TODAY

Line-up for the Rossland-Northport Game This Afternoon.

Sparring Match at Northport—The Winning N

ROSSLAND.

McCreary-Catcher.

Costello-Pitcher.

W. Gibson-First base.

Holland-Second base.

Al. Gibson-Shortstop.

Harry Sheere-Third base.

Fellon-Centre field.

Harris-Right field.

Shelton-Substitute and pitcher.

NORTHPORT.

R. Travis-First base.

D. Hendie-Second base.

F. Phillips-Catcher.

H. Travis-Shortstop.

M. Bruner-Pitcher.

W. Taylor-Right field.

F. Nudell (Captain)-Third base.

M. Newman-Centre field.

T. Lindsay-Left field.

L. Masurite-Substitute.

E. Perrott-Extra pitcher.

IMPRACTICABLE.

LACROSSISTS DISAPPOINTED.

ACTORS DOWN DEEP.

POPE TO PRESIDENT.

CAPTAIN OF 4,000

JOHN STEWART, RAILROAD CONTRACTOR, IN CITY OVERNIGHT.

IS A BELIEVER IN THE NORTHWEST'S COMING GREATNESS.

John W. Stewart, the well known railroad contractor, spent last night in Rossland on his way from the Northwest Territories to his home in Spokane.

PUMPING THE SPITZEE

SHAFT CLEARED TO EIGHTY FOOT LEVEL — TO INSTALL NEW PUMP.

PLANS FOR NEW BUILDINGS IN PREPARATION — MR. PARRISH MENTIONED.

(From Friday's Daily.) The operations at the Spitzee mine are proceeding steadily.

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A GRIST OF LAW SUITS

Entered For Trial at Supreme Court, Starting Tuesday.

Presiding Justice Not Yet Named--Actions of Interest.

(From Saturday's Daily.) The spring sittings of the supreme court of British Columbia open in the court house here on Tuesday at 11 a. m. No advices have been received as to which of the supreme court judges will preside, but word on this point is expected tomorrow.

(From Sunday's Daily.) J. J. Harris vs. English Canadian company; J. A. Macdonald for plaintiff, Richard W. Armstrong for defendant.

Gerald Voss Hopkins vs. Gooderham et al.; C. R. Hamilton for plaintiff, A. C. Galt for defendant.

Tamarac Mines vs. Phoenix Insurance company; C. R. Hamilton for plaintiff, James H. Lawson, Jr., for defendant.

Centre Star Mining company vs. Miners' Union; S. S. Taylor, K. C. (Nelson) for plaintiff, J. A. Macdonald for defendant.

H. W. C. Jackson left yesterday morning via Spokane Falls & Northern for Chicago and other eastern points on business in connection with the Bonanza company.

Max R. Hopkins left yesterday for Cascade, B. C. Mayor Dunn leaves today for the Boundary. He will be absent until Saturday.

Edgar Duthie, of the Bank of Montreal, and Mrs. Duthie have returned to the city from their honeymoon spent at Victoria and intermediate points on both sides of the boundary line.

A pleasant little function took place last evening at the Palace hotel, when Harold Nelson, the talented Canadian actor, and Messrs. Clifford Lane Bruce, Wilfrid Garrette and Duncan Penwarden, of the Harold Nelson company, were the guests at luncheon of Ralph Harrison, proprietor of the Palace.

WONDERFUL LONGEVITY

A Rosslander's Parents Both Over 100 Years of Age.

George Williams Goes to Wales to See His Father and Mother.

A wonderful and hitherto unchronicled case of longevity was disclosed here today on the departure for Cardiff, Wales, of George Williams, a well known Rosslander. Mr. Williams' parents are both living and centenarians, and he proposes to spend a year with the old people, having amassed a comfortable little competency in the mining camps of the Pacific Northwest.

Mr. Williams' parents reside at Tribherie, Wales. His father, Thomas Williams, has reached the ripe old age of 107 years. The mother, Mary N. Williams, is no less than 104 years old.

In addition to the sons there are four daughters living, three of whom are well over the half-century mark in years.

Mr. Williams states that his father and mother, while somewhat infirm in body, as would be expected, have undimmed mental faculties.

Strang words, but truthful, and the experience of a mother who has thoroughly tested the value of Baby's Own Tablets. Giving her experience with the use of this medicine, Mrs. George Hardy, of Fourchou, N. S., writes: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets and find them a blessing to children and am not satisfied with a box in the house at all times."

Local Salvation Army Officer Receives Merited Recognition. Captain Hurst, in command of the Rossland corps of the Salvation Army, has been promoted to the rank of ensign by Commissioner Booth for meritorious work in the service.

Word to this effect reached the city last night, and the members of the Army prepared making the pleasant event the occasion of a congratulatory reception to the esteemed lady.

Quite apart from the treasures which become the property of every British sovereign, and which consist for the most part of gold and silver plate, weighing together twenty-eight tons and valued at about \$10,000,000, King Edward possesses a private collection of curious objects which little is known.

The museum near the querries' entrance at Windsor was really established as recently as 1896, when some workmen engaged in repairing the castle brought to light a number of relics dating from the Stuart period, and these, with such as were personally collected by Queen Victoria, have been set apart with several attendants to look after them.

A BLESSING TO CHILDREN

GETS ENSIGN'S BARS

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IN CHAMBERS

(From Saturday's Daily.) Yesterday's session of the supreme court chambers here was brief, only a couple of matters coming before the court for disposition.

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SALE OF POISONS

On behalf of the Pharmaceutical Society a Pharmacy Act Amendment bill has been introduced into the house of commons to make the restrictions upon the sale of poisons more effective.

It pays to advertise in The Rossland Miner.

THE RAZOR STEEL, SECRET TEMPER, CROSS-CUT SAW.



We take pleasure in offering to the public a Saw manufactured of the finest quality of steel, and a temper which toughens and refines the steel, gives a keener cutting edge and holds it longer than any process known.

Now, we ask you, when you go to buy a Saw, to ask for the Maple Leaf, Razor Steel, Secret Temper Saw, and if you are told that some other saw is just as good ask your merchant to let you take them both home, and try them and keep the one you like best.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

A. C. GALT BARRISTER AND SOLICITOR, P. O. BUILDING, ROSSLAND, B. C.

The B. C. Assay and Chemical Supply Company, Ltd. VANCOUVER, B. C.

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To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Cures Grip in Two Days. Write for descriptive circulars and price list.

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Excepting in British Columbia, where, however, it should be most noticeable, the prosperity chorus still rings through-out all parts of "this most favored land."

It is the grandest, the most triumphantly jubilant chorus this nation has ever heard, and it waxes louder and louder as month after month is added to this era of progress.

How much longer is this situation likely to last? Is a question often asked, but which, fortunately for us all, cannot be definitely answered.

It is a burning shame that British Columbians are not permitted to share in the good times now being experienced elsewhere throughout the Dominion.

The only solution to the difficulty, is to turn the rascals out. They have been tried and found wanting. They are acting as if they deliberately intended to keep back the development of the Kootenays.

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has followed revelation until the people of British Columbia are thoroughly disgusted and the Dominion, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, is shocked and scandalized.

The Government has become hopelessly involved, and with it, to some extent, the province. The welfare of the Prior administration is not worth consideration.

The sooner it is swept away, the better. It is the awkward, not to say alarming, position in which the country finds itself that gives rise to the gravest fears.

This morning's dispatches state that Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific railway, is coming west to appear before the committee.

With him are two of the ablest corporation lawyers in Canada. This strong aggregation will augment the big array of talent already marshalled at Victoria to fight the people of British Columbia.

WHO IS GOING TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE? There are a few high-minded and patriotic men in the legislature, but they are, comparatively speaking, poor—very poor—so far as this world's goods are concerned.

Beset from all sides—the best available legal talent, shrewd political wire-pullers, a venal but cunning string of newspapers to constantly distort and distract the public mind, and, more than all, unlimited money for bribery and corruption—all these to coerce or tempt them to silence, inaction and betrayal, is there not good reason for grave apprehension as to the rights of the people being maintained?

The Miner will watch new developments with the closest attention, and it earnestly begs of all those who are imbued with even the slightest degree of patriotism, to do the same.

The attitude of every member of the legislature demands the greatest scrutiny. Little good may be expected of that element which has voted thus far with the Government.

Men who would by their support countenance an administration that has nearly ruined thousands, and winked at gigantic acts of political jobbery, cannot be relied upon in critical times like the present.

The chief hope of the people lies in the untrammelled loyalty of the Opposition and those lawyers who are assisting the Opposition in the investigation now being conducted.

MESSRS. McBRIDE, OLIVER, GREEN, TATLOW, PATTERSON, SEMLIN, McPHILLIPS, TAYLOR, GIFFORD, GARDEN, HAWTHORNTHWAITE and KIDD must stand to their guns and fight the battle of their lives like good men and true.

Who will protect the people? The time is at hand in British Columbia when political reputations can be forever won or lost.

The men who come out of this ordeal with clean, unclouded consciences will be heroes upon whom the electorate may ever rely.

WHO WILL PROTECT THE PEOPLE? Wells had neither the brains or nerve to carry out the bill after it was started.

It takes two sides to carry out a government steal, and the parties who receive the goods are equally as guilty as those who deliver them.—Cranbrook Herald.

KINDRED SPIRITS. When Premier Prior succeeded ex-Premier Dunsmuir, he, when considering the reconstruction of his cabinet, is reported to have said he could not get along without the Hon. Chief Commissioner Mr. Wells.

Mr. Wells, the premier was right; they are kindred spirits, and soon we trust, will be marching arm in arm down the corridors of political oblivion.—Midway Dispatch.

C. P. R. CALUMNY. Last week the fine Roman hand of the C. P. R. was seen in a scandalous attack in the Vancouver Province, on members of the legislature.

Dunsmuir-C. P. R. land deal, will not answer the questions put by the commission until big has been coached by President Shaughnessy, it is about time to appease the hunger of the whale and dump him and his affiliated speculators overboard.

It is almost certain the whale could not retain them in his stomach a sufficient length of time to reach the shore.

Mr. Wells' heretofore good reputation, as well as that of many of his colleagues in the present provincial government, has been seriously battered in the investigation referred to.

Who shall say the time has not come when a halt should be called to the tendency of our government to make individual merchandise of The People's heritage?—Phoenix Pioneer.

NEEDS A PADLOCK. If the lieutenant-governor is not careful to keep his possessions double padlocked he will be skinned of everything he owns, for the benefit of railway corporations, by his constitutional advisers.

Government and Octopus. The government can find means to assist the giant Octopus of Canada. "The Octopus" always finding means by exorbitant freight charges to make the people of the west add their mite towards swelling the treasury fund of the C. P. R.—Fort Steele Prospector.

SEARCHING INQUIRY NEEDED. From an outsider's standpoint it seems evident that the most full and searching investigation should be made into the charges advanced by Mr. Oliver in connection with Bill No. 16.—Vernon News.

TURN 'EM OUT. How Mr. Dunsmuir could retain the over-discreet Mr. Wells and the law partner of the alleged briber in his confidence and let them remain his colleagues in the government is a matter that should be sifted to the bottom.

A BRIBE! A BRIBE! From the revelations that have fallen from the lips of Mr. Dunsmuir, it appears that the attorney-general's partner offered what can only be called a bribe to the chief commissioner in order to get a delivery of the said lands.—Kamloops Standard.

WON'T BE SACRIFICED. Premier Prior is perfectly willing to sacrifice either of his ministers, Wells or Eberts, or both, but Eberts and Wells are not ready to be sacrificed, in connection with the big land steal.—New Denver Ledger.

AT LEAST ONE MUST GO. The whole affair is still shrouded in that fog of mystery born of procreation, shuffling and double-dealing. One thing is, however, very certain, and that is that the country will not countenance a further continuance in office of some government.

One, at least, will have to go, and it will then be a question whether Premier Prior will be able to command a majority. But the fate of an administration must not be allowed to have any weight as against the retention in office of men unworthy of their trust.—Kamloops Sentinel.

A NEPARIUS SCHEME. The testimony taken tends to implicate several members of the legislature including ministers of the crown in a nefarious scheme to benefit themselves at the expense of the country.

It is the duty of the committee of investigation to let the committee of investigation complete their work. Very grave charges are made against the parties implicated, which should be sifted thoroughly. The perpetrators of such recalcitancy should be exposed and punished to the utmost rigor of the law.—Kaslo Kootenayan.

COMMUNICATIONS. The Secretary, B. C. Mining Association, Victoria, B. C. Dear Sir: I have received a telegram from Messrs. Pratt and Retallick from Ottawa, stating that the representations your association has made to the Dominion government are stultifying their efforts to obtain an adequate bonus on lead payable to the producer.

I immediately telegraphed to the finance minister at Ottawa repudiating the action of your association both for myself and the companies I represent. In the event of your continuing to oppose our interest we shall withdraw our support from your association; and I understand from Sandon and Nelson that similar action will be taken by members of the other lead producers in the province. Yours truly, DONALD G. FORBES, General Manager.

Under the constitution of the Provincial Mining Association of British Columbia, "all meetings of the executive committee shall be open to the public," so I feel no hesitation in commenting

on Mr. Forbes' letter just as though it had been read to the committee while in session. The composition of the executive committee was so arranged as to secure a fair representation of all classes and all districts.

Our president was chosen from one of the silver-lead districts. Three representatives were chosen from Nelson, which is in close touch with the Slocan and the Lardeau, and still another representative resides at Kaslo.

Unfortunately, as it would appear, two of the three Nelson representatives and one from Kaslo did not find it convenient to attend the recent session of the committee, and hence we had not the advantage of their assistance.

But we had the assistance of the president and of Mr. J. J. Campbell of Nelson, and the sole object of the committee was to strengthen the hands of the silver-lead mine owners and their employees in whatever way the parties interested thought best.

The resolution happens to bear my name as its mover, and I of course accept any responsibility which this may carry with it. But treating the matter as one involving no privacy whatever, it may be said that the committee constituted my portion of the resolution, the body of it having been prepared by one or two members specially competent to say what would be a reasonable bounty, and one which the Dominion government would not deem excessive.

Speaking for myself, and for many people in the Rossland and Boundary districts, I would like to tell Mr. Donald G. Forbes, as I told the executive committee, that in my opinion the silver-lead men made a great blunder when they restricted their petition merely to an increase of duty upon lead and its products; that they should have also urged, not as any great favor but as a matter of substantial justice, a decrease of the existing duties on mining machinery and supplies, and also bounty to the producers of lead.

I ventured to urge this view upon the silver-lead mine owners at a meeting in Nelson before their delegation went to Ottawa, but my suggestion was turned down.

All that we could do after that was to indorse the view which the silver-lead men thought best in their own interest, and that we did, both by public resolutions in Rossland and by supporting the resolution in favor of an increase of lead duties at the convention of the association.

And what return have we received from such gentlemen as Mr. Donald G. Forbes for our efforts to assist him and his friends? Nothing but a false and malicious suggestion that the association or its executive committee has opposed the interest of the lead producers in the province, and a threat that if I continue to do so Mr. Donald G. Forbes and others will withdraw their support from the association.

It is certainly to be regretted if any mistake was made by the executive committee in estimating what would be a satisfactory form of bounty. Not only had we to act without the assistance of three out of five representatives from the silver-lead districts, but we tried in vain to communicate with Mr. Retallick at Ottawa, as he had left that city for a few days and we could not trace him in time.

It would be a great misfortune if people in general were as unfaithful to their friends as Mr. Forbes has shown himself to be.

The only possible justification for it, and personally I adopt this view, is that the hardships of existing conditions on the Slocan and Lardeau mine owners are such as to render them over-sensitive, even to the touch of those who, perhaps ignorantly but still sympathetically and honestly, are trying to assist them. A. C. GALT, Rossland, May 11th.

IT'S IN THE GAZETTE. What Latest Issue of the Official Paper Contains. The B. C. Gazette just to hand chronicles the appointment of Harold Mayne Daly, of Vancouver, formerly of Rossland, to be a notary public for the province.

Certificates of improvements are applied for in respect to the following mineral claims: Sleave-na-moon, Lucky Jack, Bunnahon, San Joaquin and Tunnel fraction on Lexington mountain, Lardeau district; Copper Cliff and Copper Bluff claims on Copper mountain, Similkameen district; Daley, near Palmer's Bar, East Kootenay; Jewel in Triple Lake camp, Kettle river district; Eureka, on east side of Christina lake; Elkhorn, on south fork of Kaslo creek; Halifax, Golden Age fraction and Jennie Lind fraction, on Josh creek, Burnt Basin; Molly Gibson, Outline fraction, St. Joe fraction and Triangle fraction, on Lexington mountain, Lardeau district.

Coal prospectors' licenses for the Flathead river country are applied for in the following names: J. R. Brown, J. G. Demert, H. G. Depledge, Albert J. Goodell, A. T. Kendrick, O. G. Labaree, M. E. Lane, Frank Levine, Edward Lewis, Helen E. M. Lewis, Seymour Manning, Hugh McCutcheon, J. A. McFarland, M. McKay, D. Mills, John Murray, S. W. O'Brien, E. R. Redpath, H. C. Robey, J. E. Spanker, Conrad Wolfe and S. B. Youll.

Applications for licenses to cut timber are filed in the following names: On Little Moyle lake by W. S. Bell, G. W. Crossman, R. Helme, George Hillier, G. A. B. Hall, R. R. Hall and C. Hall; on Pass creek by A. R. Finland. JUDGE MARTIN HERE. Will Preside at Supreme Court Sittings Commencing Today. (From Tuesday's Daily.) Mr. Justice Martin, of the supreme court bench, arrived in the city last night to preside at the sittings of the supreme court commencing this morning. He is quartered at the Palace.

Justice here when the new court house was opened two years ago. In addition to the actions entered for hearing at this session, another case was added to the list yesterday. This is John Boulbee and John Rankin vs. Gilbert Poulter. The plaintiffs claim that defendant induced them to purchase the Sunol mineral claim, alleging that it was valid and subsisting mineral under the terms of the Mineral Act. Later the plaintiffs state, it was discovered

the Sunol was staked over subsisting mineral claims, and was therefore an invalid location. Plaintiffs claim to have expended \$2000 in the purchase and development of the Sunol, and seek to recover this sum, with costs and such other damages as may be assessed.

On April 24th, plaintiffs secured judgment by default for damages assessed, and the case is set down for this court to have such assessment made. W. J. Nelson appears for the plaintiffs. WANT ORE SAMPLES. A Meeting of Mining Association Held Here Last Night. The Rossland branch of the Provincial Mining Association met last night at the board of trade rooms, the principal business being the consideration of the constitution and the election of additional members of the executive committee.

The constitution was adopted as drawn, and the vacancies on the executive as provided under the constitution were filled by the appointment of Arthur Pendray, Richard Marsh, George Urquhart and William B. Townsend.

The association authorized Secretary Mackenzie to accept samples of ore from the Rossland camp to be included in an exhibit from the district for the Dominion ore display at St. Louis and subsequent expositions. It was deemed important that a representative exhibit be secured, and mins managers are invited to send in specimens as promptly as convenient.

At the request of several members from other districts not yet completely organized, the secretary was instructed to send printed copies of the constitution as adopted by the Rossland branch for their guidance and assistance.

It was also decided to print 500 neat membership tickets for distribution among members of the Rossland branch. THE BEST INVESTMENT IN ROSSLAND—Advertise in the Rossland Miner. It pays.

NEWS OF THE COAST

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Mr. Macintosh has no doubt that his boat is at San Juan. This makes the fifth boat he has lost in this way.

The contracts have been awarded for Vancouver's civic buildings. A. E. Carter secured the contract for the new jail at \$22,420, and J. McLucky for the fire hall at \$26,800. As the sum set aside for these buildings is not adequate, \$15,000 will be borrowed on taxes unpaid to make up the sum. This being by way of a temporary loan.

Wellington Miller, of New Westminster, has been appointed chief of police in the Royal City in succession to Chief Carly, who is incapacitated by creeping paralysis. The police commissioners have granted him \$25 per month gratuity until the end of the year. Miller, who has been acting chief, has been on the force for several years, and is well known through his prowess with the rifle.

One of the largest timber deals recently put through on the coast has been completed, whereby outside capital to a large amount is being invested in limits and logging business controlled by Mr. W. H. Higgins of Vancouver.

The principal property concerned in the deal is a large logging plant and extensive limits at Toke river, near Malapa, in the coast. A joint-stock company has been formed under the new arrangement, Mr. Higgins remaining as manager and holder of a block of the stock which consists of 500,000 capital shares. Eastern people are making the principal portion of the new investment. A large towboat is to be purchased and business will otherwise be greatly extended.

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IRRE IN GERMANY.

From Berlin that Germans are expecting a large Socialist number of the elections now pending, leaders claiming that their will be increased from the present number — to a total of 197. Prominent politicians do not differ in their anti-election "claims," probably not by eighty votes in the new Reichstag, or to concede a probable Socialist representation. Probable that theoretical Socialism a greater hold on the people, although there are no estimating, the real Socialist where, least of all in Germany, everywhere stands for all who are discontented Socialist ticket. There are many Socialists, and should the Socialist political preponderance unity it would at once split into factions, each claiming only representative of pure Socialism. At present all who are Socialists do not have get unite in opposition to

When we hear that Germans cast between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 in a national election it is understood that this number of Germans who propose to interest and profits, acquire all means of production, and carry out the entire Socialist program. These questions are not posed in Germany. German Socialists avowing their belief in the doing all these things, have a "half-baked" program, whose main equal manhood suffrage, freedom of the press and relief from burdens of militarism. Socialists are struggling for the rights of British subjects, and just now Socialists are struggling for freedom and raw materials, with manufacturers, as against "Socialists" who demand stiff protection and free trade articles. This aspect indicates the probability of a drawn-out contest development between people of the mining centres and the producers of raw materials. The situation is so that it is not possible to establish the votes cast, the real theoretical Socialism in Germany other part of Continental

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announces that Mr. Cleveland absolutely no show nominated for the U. S. Mr. Cleveland holds pre-eminence view as to Mr. Bryan's both are probably correct, also remembered that Mr. Cleveland the past shown himself a local guesser than the Neuman.

ing as if they deliberately intended to keep back the development of the Kootenays. They are too busy attempting to give away millions of acres of the people's lands to care much for the welfare of this district. The railways are favored first; then comes the coal monopoly. No wonder we do not prosper to the full extent of our opportunities!

THE WAR OF THE PAINTERS.

The clash of arms between Naturalists John Burroughs and Ernest Thompson-Deton as to the character, culture, personal habits and scholastic attainments of cats and dogs no sooner shows signs of subsidence than two celebrated artists, Frederick Remington and Charles Schreyvogel, each lays down his paint brush and takes up the most energetic, driving and forceful tool in the carpenter's chest in an endeavor to hammer his professional criticisms into the head of the other.

Mr. Schreyvogel, like Mr. Remington, is a painter of western scenes. His latest and greatest painting is "Custer's Demand," which he says is an historical representation of one of General Custer's peace negotiations. A line-drawing reproduction of it was printed in the New York Herald last Sunday, and a very spirited picture on the face of it it appears to be. Indians and frontiersmen are grouped about in the foreground, and Custer, sitting on a magnificent steed, is delivering a stern, terse ultimatum to a heap big and ugly chief, of a dark, lowering, sinister cast of countenance, a long, low, rakish horse, and a strikingly defective wardrobe.

Now Mr. Remington says he objects to such "half-baked stuff" being considered seriously as history. He says Schreyvogel has shown his ignorance by putting pistol holsters on the horses, when as a matter of fact holsters were not generally used until long after the time in which the scene is laid. Also he objects to Sioux war bonnets on Southwestern Indians, and to white campaign hats on the soldiers, which he says were not worn till years afterward. The yellow stripes in the saddle blankets he also declares to be a mistake, and Custer's boots, as shown in the picture, he says, are in reality of a much later design. Stirrup covers, he declares, were not worn at the time, and Custer never rode a horse of the size depicted in the painting.

To those sweeping criticisms Mr. Schreyvogel replies that Mr. Remington is consumed by the fires of jealousy, and is poorly endowed by nature, experience and scholarship to pass upon the merits of any work of art more pretentious than the gilt embellishments of an ornate and costly coal-hod. In Mr. Schreyvogel's candid opinion, Mr. Remington may possibly be qualified to paint a bock beer sign, or even the thirteen cards on a western faro table, but beyond masterpieces of this character his limitations do not extend.

Mr. Schreyvogel's defense is as spirited as his painting; but, still, like his painting, the chances are that it will not stand the tests of realism. It remains to be seen whether Mr. Russell, the clever cow-boy artist of Montana, will be drawn into the controversy.

WHO WILL PROTECT THE PEOPLE?

The situation arising from the investigation now in progress at Victoria constantly grows more serious. Revelation

The Miner will watch new developments with the closest attention, and it earnestly begs of all those who are impressed with even the slightest degree of patriotism, to do the same. The attitude of every member of the legislature demands the greatest scrutiny. Little good may be expected of that element which has voted thus far with the Government. Men who would by their support countenance an administration that has nearly ruined thousands, and winked at gigantic acts of political jobbery, cannot be relied upon in critical times like the present. The chief hope of the people lies in the untrammelled loyalty of the Opposition and those lawyers who are assisting the Opposition in the investigation now being conducted. MESSRS. McBRIDE, OLIVER, GREEN, TATLOW, PATTERSON, SEMLIN, McPHILLIPS, TAYLOR, GIFFORD, GARDEN, HAWTHORNTHWAITE and KIDD must stand by their guns and fight the battle of their lives like good men and true. If they fail to do so, if they show the slightest inclination to shirk their solemn duty, the public can draw but one inference, and that is that they have succumbed to pressure inimical to the public weal.

The time is at hand in British Columbia when political reputations can be forever won or lost. The men who come out of this ordeal with clean, unclouded consciences will be heroes upon whom the electorate may ever rely.

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OPINIONS ON THE SCANDAL

The following excerpts from the district press will show how intensely bitter is the sentiment of the Kootenays against Premier Prior because of his retention of Eberts and Wells as ministers in his administration:

EAST KOOTENAY SENTIMENT.
Wells had neither the brains or nerve to carry out the bill steal after it was started. It takes two sides to carry out a government steal, and the parties who receive the goods are equally as guilty as those who deliver them.—Cranbrook Herald.

KINDRED SPIRITS.
When Premier Prior succeeded ex-Premier Dunsmuir, he, when considering the reconstruction of his cabinet, is reported to have said he could not get along without the Hon. Chief Commissioner Mr. Wells. The premier was right; they are kindred spirits, and soon, we trust, will be marching arm in arm down the corridors of political oblivion.—Midway Dispatch.

C. P. R. CALUMNY.
Last week the fine Roman hand of the C. P. R. was seen in a scandalous attack in the Vancouver Province, on members of the legislature insinuating the reason why members voted to cancel the grant to the company of East Kootenay lands was that the lands might be divided among members themselves.—Revelstoke Mail.

DUMP THEM OVERBOARD.
When one of the cabinet ministers, who is called to testify before an investigating committee which is probing the

that should be sifted to the bottom. No member of the house who votes otherwise than to turn the rascals out will be worthy of the votes of his constituents. Gentlemen, it's up to you.—Revelstoke Herald.

A BRIBE! A BRIBE!

From the revelations that have fallen from the lips of Mr. Dunsmuir, it appears that the attorney-general's partner offered what can only be called a bribe to the chief commissioner in order to get a delivery of the said lands.—Kamloops Standard.

WON'T BE SACRIFICED.

Premier Prior is perfectly willing to sacrifice either of his ministers, Wells or Eberts, or both, but Eberts and Wells are not ready to be sacrificed, in connection with the big land steal.—New Denver Ledger.

AT LEAST ONE MUST GO.

The whole affair is still shrouded in that fog of mystery born of prevarication, shuffling and double-dealing. One thing is, however, very certain, and that is that the country will not countenance a further continuance in office of some, at least, of the present members of the government. One, at least, will have to go, and it will then be a question whether Premier Prior will be able to command a majority. But the fate of an administration must not be allowed to have any weight as against the retention in office of men unworthy of their trust.—Kamloops Sentinel.

A NEPARIUS SCHEME.

The testimony taken tends to implicate several members of the legislature including ministers of the crown in a nefarious scheme to benefit themselves at the expense of the country. The house has adjourned to let the committee of investigation complete their work. Very grave charges are made against the parties implicated, which should be sifted thoroughly. The perpetrators of such recalcitancy should be exposed and punished to the utmost rigor of the law.—Kaslo Kootenayan.

COMMUNICATIONS

PROVINCIAL MINING ASSOCIATION—RE SILVER-LEAD RESOLUTION.

Editor Miner: The recommendations contained in the resolution recently passed by the executive committee of the association have been severely criticized by some of the silver-lead mine owners, for not asking a sufficiently large bonus in lieu of the increased duties which the Dominion government refused to grant.

One of these criticisms has been brought to my attention in the shape of a copy of a letter written by the general manager of two companies in the Lardeau to the secretary of the association as follows:

Ferguson, B. C., 2nd May, 1903.
The Secretary, B. C. Mining Association, Victoria, B. C.
Dear Sir: I have received a telegram from Messrs. Pratt and Retallack from Ottawa, stating that the representations your association has made to the Dominion government are stultifying their efforts to obtain an adequate bonus on lead payable to the producer.

I immediately telegraphed to the finance minister at Ottawa repudiating the action of your association both for myself and the companies I represent. In the event of your continuing to oppose our interest we shall withdraw our support from your association; and I understand from Sandon and Nelson that similar action will be taken by most of the other lead producers in the province. Yours truly,

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lead men thought best in their own interest, and that we did, both by public resolutions in Rossland and by supporting the resolution in favor of an increase of lead duties at the convention of the association.

And what return have we received from such gentlemen as Mr. Donald G. Forbes for our efforts to assist him and his friends?

Nothing but a false and malicious suggestion that the association or its executive committee has opposed the interest of the lead producers in the province, and a threat that if it continues to do so Mr. Donald G. Forbes and others will withdraw their support from the association. It is certainly to be regretted if any mistake was made by the executive committee in estimating what would be a satisfactory form of bounty. Not only had we to act without the assistance of three out of five representatives from the silver-lead districts, but we tried in vain to communicate with Mr. Retallack at Ottawa, as he had left that city for a few days and we could not trace him in time.

It would be a great misfortune if people in general were as unfair to their friends as Mr. Forbes has shown himself to be. The only possible justification for it, and personally I adopt this view, is that the hardships of existing conditions on the Slokan and Lardeau mine owners are such as to render them over-sensitive, even to the touch of those who, perhaps ignorantly but still sympathetically and honestly, are trying to assist them.

A. C. GALT.
Rossland, May 11th.

IT'S IN THE GAZETTE.

What Latest Issue of the Official Paper Contains.

The B. C. Gazette just to hand chronicles the appointment of Harold Mayne Daly, of Vancouver, formerly of Rossland, to be a notary public for the province.

Certificates of improvements are applied for in respect to the following mineral claims: Sleve-na-mon, Lucky Jack, Bunnahon, San Joaquin and Tunnel fraction on Lexington mountain, Lardeau district; Copper Cliff and Copper Bluff claims on Copper mountain, Similkameen district; Daisy, near Palmer's Bar, East Kootenay; Jewel in Triple Lake camp, Kettle river district; Eureka, on east side of Christina lake; Elkhorn, on south fork of Kaslo creek; Halifax, Golden Age fraction and Jennie Lind fraction, on Josh creek, Burnt Basin; Molly Gibson, Outline fraction, St. Joe fraction and Triangle fraction, on Lexington mountain, Lardeau district.

Coal prospectors' licenses for the Flat-head river country are applied for in the following names: J. R. Brown, L. G. Demert, H. G. Depledge, Albert J. Goodell, A. T. Kendrick, O. G. Labaree, M. E. Lane, Frank Lavigne, Edward Lewis, Helen F. M. Lewis, Seymour Manning, Hugh McCutcheon, J. A. McFarland, M. McKay, D. Mihills, John Murray, S. W. O'Brien, E. R. Redpath, H. C. Robey, J. E. Spanker, Conrad Wolfe and S. B. Youll.

Applications for licenses to cut timber are filed in the following names: On Little Moyle lake by W. S. Bell, G. W. Crossman, R. Helme, George Hillier, G. A. B. Hall, R. R. Hall and C. Hall; on Pass creek by A. R. Fingland.

JUDGE MARTIN HERE.

Will Preside at Supreme Court Sittings Commencing Today.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)
Mr. Justice Martin, of the supreme court bench, arrived in the city last night to preside at the sittings of the supreme court commencing this morning. He is quartered at the Palace. Judge Martin was the officiating justice here when the new court house was opened two years ago.

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General News Of the Kootenay

THE SLOCAN. Koch's sawmill on Ten-Mile was started last week.

The Noble Fve tram has been again put in motion bringing down American Boy ore.

Shipments from the Slocan and Slocan City mining divisions for the present year to May 2nd amount to 5553 tons.

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George McL. Brown, late executive officer of the C. P. R., was on the stand, and was examined by both Duff, representing the prosecution, and McCaul, in attendance for Wells.

Another matter was placed fairly before the committee, namely, the following proposition: That the Crow's Nest Coal company having the right of selection of ten thousand acres of land from the British Columbia Southern, the C. P. R. was anxious to get the two blocks now in dispute, which are rich in petroleum and coal.

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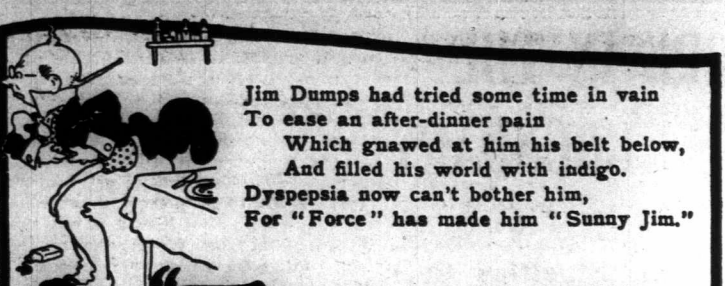
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