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## MINES AND MINING

Novelty Company to Be Reorganized as a Provincial Corporation.

### IT ELECTS OFFICERS

The Spokane Fruit Fair is to Be Granted By a Mineral Exhibit—Work is to Be Resumed on the Ida May—Other Mining News.

A meeting will be held in this city on September 5 for the purpose of ratifying the sale of the assets, etc., of the Novelty Gold Mining Company to the Novelty Mining & Smelting Company. The capital stock of the old company was \$1,000,000. The new company is to have 1,500,000 shares of the par value of 10 cents each. The Novelty shareholders in the old company will be given shares for share in the new company, and the extra shares will go into the treasury for development purposes. The Novelty adjoins the Giant and about \$6,000 has been spent so far in developing it. The intention is as soon as the new company has been formed to recommence the work of development on an extensive and systematic scale. It is said that the Novelty has the same lead as the Giant, and that it also has the No. 1 lead. One meeting ratifying the sale has already been held in Spokane, but another statutory meeting is required to be held here.

At a meeting of the Novelty Mining & Smelting Company, held in this city last evening, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing term: President, F. Aspinwall; vice-president, John S. Glute, Jr.; secretary-treasurer, Thomas S. Anderson; directors, John R. Finch, M. R. Galusha, Gen. Charles S. Warren.

### A MINERAL EXHIBIT.

It Will Be One of the Features of the Fruit Fair at Spokane.

W. A. Stuart, superintendent of the mineral department of the Spokane fruit fair, writes as follows concerning the proposed mineral exhibit which it is intended to have at the fair:

"It is proposed to make the mineral department of this year's Spokane fruit fair one that shall properly represent the various camps of the northwest. The exhibit will be arranged with a view to giving the best educational results, and no pains will be spared to make it one of the most attractive features of the fair. All who are familiar with the good results derived from the mineral exhibit at last year's fruit fair will readily appreciate the importance of this movement, which brings together the prospector, the miner, the investor, and all who may be seeking information concerning the mineral wealth of the great northwest. The fruit fair management undertakes to receive all shipments at the Spokane depots and see that the same shall be properly placed on exhibition in the mineral department of the fruit fair and due credit given to the camp and the consignor sending the same.

"United and intelligent effort on the part of all interested in the success of this movement will make the exhibit one that every prospector and miner may be proud of.

"All specimens should be carefully labelled and wrapped in paper, and exhibits should be forwarded to reach Spokane not later than October 1st, and should be addressed W. A. Stuart, Superintendent, Fruit Fair, Spokane, Wash."

### THE WHITWATER DEEP.

R. E. Brown Tells of His Plans for Developing His Property.

R. E. Brown, the manager of the Whitewater Deep in the Ainsworth division, is at the Allan. He is accompanied by one of his mining experts, John Enple, who located the famous Sierra Nevada in the Coeur d'Alenes, and W. H. Lynch, also of Kaslo. They left yesterday for the north country.

The Whitewater Deep is operating on a plan new to mining companies in the province, although the method is one that has made millions for similar companies in South Africa. Under the new location law of British Columbia, the prospector gets only the mineral contained within his side dip, and the extended vertically downwards. No extralateral rights are allowed. As a consequence, as soon as a lead dips outside the side lines of a claim the mineral contained in it becomes the property of the claim owner who has a title to the ground into which the vein dips. Taking advantage of this fact, Mr. Brown, in organizing the Whitewater Deep, secured the properties parallel with the Whitewater, into which the Whitewater vein must extend, and the lines of the side of the Whitewater side lines. He is now driving a long tunnel which will open the vein after it passes into the ground controlled by Mr. Brown.

"We have commenced our new low level tunnel," said Mr. Brown, "and are installing the new machinery at the property. With power at hand we shall carry on operations as rapidly as possible. The tunnel when driven 1,700 feet will crosscut the lead at a depth of 2,000 feet from the apex. Other levels will be run for opening the property, but the present tunnel will be the main workings of the mine. Stopping upwards we shall have between 700 and 800 feet of backs before the ledge passes from our ground into the Whitewater territory. Longitudinally, we shall be able to stop along the vein for a distance of 2,000 feet.

"The vein is from three to 20 feet wide, but of course that does not represent the width of the pay chute. The ore comes in kidneys, some of which are 100 feet long and equally high. The mineral is a galena, averaging around

\$85. I do not expect to begin stopping until we are operating the property on a thoroughly economic basis, and get all the profit possible from handling the mineral. The clean ore will be shipped direct, and the second class product will be concentrated at the mine."

Mr. Brown said when asked as to the truth of the story that he expects to own a paper in Rossland and in the other towns throughout the Kootenays. "The first I knew of it was what I saw in some of the newspapers," he said.

Circular by the Grand Prize. The Grand Prize Mining Company, through its secretary, W. H. Ziegler, has issued a circular to its stockholders asking that they pool their stock for the next 90 days. The circular states that the surface showing on the company's property is excellent, as there are two large ledges, besides the one that runs through the Deer Park. The company is out of debt and has over 200,000 shares in its treasury. The management desires to go to work immediately upon its property, but is unwilling to sell its treasury shares at the low prices at present prevailing. It is claimed that the reason the shares have not advanced materially is because many of the shareholders are thoughtlessly standing by their own light by offering their holdings at the present low prices, thus keeping down the price. The management, therefore, requests the shareholders to promise upon their honor not to sell their shares for less than 7 1/2 cents until 90 days after the 10th of September. The figure is put at 7 1/2 cents for the reason that if shortly the price reaches that figure the treasury will have in the meantime received ample funds for a prolonged period of development work.

The Grand Prize was compelled to shut down some time since during a time when the company was engaged in expensive litigation over the restaking of its property. At that time its shares were at the same price of those of Deer Park, the management declares. The Grand Prize property is situated on Deer Park mountain, in the south belt, 2 1/2 miles southeast of Rossland. It is located adjoining and north of the Deer Park. The encouraging condition of the Deer Park mine has encouraged the Grand Prize management, so that it has decided to resume work at the earliest moment.

### BONDED FOR \$30,000.

Joseph Pelletier Secures an Option on Two Christina Lake Properties.

The Queen of the Lake and the King of the Lake are two claims owned by Oscar Dube of this city. They are located on the west shore of Christina lake. These properties from the time they were staked have attracted the admiring interest of all who have had the pleasure of inspecting them. The vein on these claims is 12 feet in width and the pay streak two feet. The ore is free milling and the ore assay gave a return of \$45 in gold to the ton, besides a little copper. There is a shaft which is 45 feet deep, and this demonstrates the permanency of the ore body. The facilities for shipping the ore of this property will be splendid, as the claims are on the water edge and the ore can be taken down the lake to Christina City and placed on the cars of the C. P. R., which will complete to that city. These claims have attracted a great deal of attention and Mr. Dube has been in receipt of numerous offers to purchase. Yesterday he closed a deal with Joseph Pelletier by which he bonds the property to him for the sum of \$30,000. The bond is a short one and the time of the payments over a very brief period. Those who know the property say that Mr. Pelletier will secure a great bargain if he get the group for \$30,000.

### The Commander Deal Closed.

The Commander deal is practically completed. The new company will have a capitalization of \$1,000,000, of which half will form the treasury reserve. The old Commander company was incorporated for \$500,000, and the new old shareholders will receive share for share in the new company. Out of the treasury stock the English syndicate, which is interesting itself in the property, will take sufficient stock to provide all the money needed for carrying along operations. The shaft at the property has been almost unwatered, and a force of 18 men will be put to work under Superintendent Houghton. Sinking will be recommenced, and the shaft will be continued to the 400-foot level. In the drift at the 185-foot level work will also be resumed. The intention of the management is to carry on operations as vigorously as possible.

### Has Purchased the Dardanelles.

Wm. Hartley and H. C. McDonald have bought from G. W. Staples the Dardanelles, situated on Santa Rosa mountain on the west fork of Sheep creek, about a half mile west of the new town of Melville. The showing includes an iron capped ledge about six feet wide, with a two and a half foot ore chute. The ore is a heavy iron and copper pyrites, carried in a quartz gangue. Assays from the surface show 3.5 per cent in copper, and about three ounces in silver with a trace in gold.

It will be seen from the advertising columns that W. M. Newton, one of the original settlers in Rossland, who took so much interest in public affairs and performed the duties of police magistrate here for so long a time before the incorporation of the city, has established an office in the center of the financial world in Lombard street, London, in connection with E. Lindsay Phillips, who enjoyed a high reputation for many years in Vancouver as one of the leading real estate and financial agents there. Messrs. Arthur Marsh & Co., and Edward Baillie are their Rossland agents, and we should say that business undertaken by this quartette will be likely to be well attended to.

I have on Kettle River, two miles below Midway, 190 Jacks and Jennies for sale. E. BAILEY.

## FROM OTHER CAMPS

Five Feet of Clean Ore Struck in the Payne.

### A GROUP SOLD FOR \$90,000

There is Great Activity at Ymir and There Are No Idle Men in That Camp—Considerable Excitement Over the Rover Creek Placers.

The news from the several camps of the Kootenays shows that there is considerable activity everywhere. A report from Ymir is to the effect that there is work for every man seeking it there. A group of three claims, one of which is located in the Nelson and the other two in the Slovan division, has been sold to H. E. Croisdale of Nelson, for \$90,000. There is considerable excitement over the Rover creek placers in the Nelson division, and also over the gold belt south of Nelson. Altogether the situation is encouraging. Appended is the summary for the week:

### BOUNDARY CREEK COUNTRY.

Work on the Little Bertha is reported to be going steadily ahead, two shifts being employed.

The water has been pumped out of the shaft on the Golden Crown and it is intended to resume active operations on that splendid property in a very short time.

A good strike is reported to have been made on the Morrison claim in the Deer Park camp, and the exact character and value of the ore have not yet been learned.

Work has been shut down on the Snowshoe in Greenwood camp pending the arrival of an extensive machinery plant which has been ordered and is expected to arrive shortly.

F. M. Webster came to Grand Forks last week from the Humming Bird property up the North Fork, where he is employed, and reports a big strike of rich ore recently made on that claim. A large body of high grade ore is reported to have been struck on the Oro Denoro in Summit camp, which is being operated under bond by Ross Thompson and other Rossland parties.

Smith Curtis and A. J. McMillan of Rossland, two of the owners of the well known Pay Oro property up the North Fork on Pathfinder mountain, were in Grand Forks a couple of days last week on business connected with the immediate workings of the property.

Work has been resumed on the Bruce tunnel on the Bruce claim on Ingram mountain near Midway, as a new contract has been let to James Beckwith and his partner. The tunnel has been driven over 200 feet and it is expected that during the life of the present contract the ledge will be reached.

Ross & Matheson, who own the Standard group of three claims in Clark's camp, are burning an immense quantity of charcoal, putting up buildings and getting ready to work this group this winter.

Prof. Cassin and Mr. Garretson, of Spokane, made an examination of the Evening Star property about six miles up the north fork of the Selkirk. They have been reduced to six, pending the outcome of the company's request for an extension of time to make payment.

The Payne shipped 480 tons of ore over the C. P. R. for the week. It costs the Sovereign but \$1.50 per ton to land the ore at Coody over the Noble Five tram.

Scott McDonald has taken a lease on the Blue Bell, and is putting on a strong force of miners.

During the past month about 100 new men have been added to the mining force of the Sandon camp.

Mr. Brandon says things are doing nicely at the Canadian camp, and under further work the mine will be a steady shipper.

Frank Provost has just returned to Sandon from Lemmon creek, where he has been doing development work on the Lorin group. He reports the property looking exceedingly well and improving as depth is reached. In the neighbor-

hood of \$2,000 worth of work has been done on the group.

Charles Barber and H. A. Hicks are pushing development work on the Transit, a very promising property near the Calumet & Hecla. The ledge contains high grade ore.

Jno. McGuigan is of the opinion the Noble Five will not ship much before spring, and by that time there will be a year's stoppage blocked out, and consequently a year's steady shipping.

A. H. McCune has sent up a large force of men and supplies to the Sapphire, recently bonded, and is bound to ascertain what there is in the property in the shortest time possible.

John Cameron says his company are pushing work hard on their prospect north of Cody. They have uncovered the lead for several hundred feet in the country rock, and are crosscutting for the pay streak.

Mr. Ribblett has shipped a ton of samples of ore from the Slovan. This will constitute a portion of the C. P. R.'s exhibit to London, Paris and many other European cities. It is a magnificent collection and will be of much credit to the Slovan.

Jack Kingman has a contract for extending the tunnel in the Hope claim, the first property ever located on the first north fork of Lemmon creek.

The Mollie Hughes is making a 20-ton shipment this week to the Trail smelter. The Ajax has 17 men at work. There is \$15,000 available for the development of this property.

Five feet of clean ore in the lower tunnel of the Payne was recently struck and the property is abundant.

A strike is reported from the Grey Copper in the Goodenough group. It is said that the owners have two feet of ore showing in the shaft.

On the California the development work goes steadily on. Ore is abundant and the property is looking well.

The St. Verneer company expects to commence shipping this winter. There are eight men working on the O. B. H. claim, where most of the work has been done, and they have a very good showing.

Good ore has been encountered in both drifts from the No. 5 tunnel on the Slovan Star.

### NELSON DIVISION.

Joseph Duhamel, H. S. Sinkan, Steve Hawkins and Louis Strand of Nelson, have given an option to purchase the Monument, Monument No. 2 and Monument No. 3 mineral claims to H. E. Croisdale of this city. The Monument is situated at the mouth of the south fork of Lemmon creek in the Nelson mining division. Monument No. 2 is an extension of the Monument, and Monument No. 3 is an extension of Monument No. 2, the two latter being situated in the Slovan mining division. The option is for \$30,000 for each claim or \$90,000 for the group. The terms of payment are \$1,000 on or before October 31, 1898, and the sum of \$89,000 on or before October 1, 1899. The above named claims are silver-copper property and of considerable work has been done on them. The showing is considered to be excellent and good assays have been obtained.

It is expected that work will be commenced at once on the East of the head of Eagle creek. The property was recently secured by W. H. Watts, a Toronto man. The locator of the property was William Swerdter, and he is said to have given a \$30,000 bond upon it. This is considered a very valuable piece of property, but very little work has been done upon it.

A very encouraging strike has been made on the Aberdeen, a property situated about a mile from the Athabasca, on the west slope of the mountain. The location was upon the strength of some float which was picked up, but on Monday the vein was found in place. It is about four feet wide, but no assays have yet been secured upon the ledge matter. The float, upon the strength of which the claim was made, assayed about \$85 in gold. The quartz from the Aberdeen ledge is similar to that of the Athabasca.

The work of putting up mills for the Ymir, the Porto Rico and Dundee mines has furnished employment for every man on the ground and mill. The sawmill is working day and night to keep up the supply of lumber, and every team in town is also employed.

The machinery has arrived for the Porto Rico mine and mill. Fifty men are working in the mine and the force will be increased as soon as the mill is finished. This property is owned by the Canadian Pacific Exploration.

Considerable development work is being done on the Meadow Lane on Wild Horse creek. The miners have struck a four-foot vein of ore that assays \$92 in gold. This is one of the biggest things ever struck in the Ymir district.

A big strike has been made on the Big Horn group on Hidden creek. The owners are building a trail and ore will be packed out and shipped immediately. This is one of the biggest strikes ever made in the Ymir district.

Further reports from Rover creek show that the excitement is spreading rather than abating, and that the staking of claims is being vigorously prosecuted. It is stated that 100 claims have so far been staked. Mr. Prosser of the Hotel Hume at Nelson is one of those who got in on the ground early. He said that he succeeded in acquiring seven claims, one of which he had already disposed of for \$500. He also asserted that one of his claims the gravel panned as high as \$1 a pan. While it is impossible to prepare a list of names, before bedrock is reached, there seems to be little doubt that there is some rich gravel on Rover creek.

The development of the ledges in the gold belt to the south of Nelson continues to give encouraging results, and assessment work is being performed upon a large number of claims. One company, which has secured a number of adjoining claims on Sandy creek, has a force of 18 men at work sluicing down the mountain side in the hope of uncovering leads. These claims are to the south of the Granite, and those who have the work in hand are in hopes of getting the Granite lead. So far they have succeeded in uncovering three small ledges, the ore from which carries considerable

copper. Farther to the south on the same mountain side there are four men sluicing on the divide between Eagle and Forty-nine creeks. They have succeeded in getting a small lead which pans well for gold.

### EAST KOOTENAY.

The recent strike on the Sullivan group has proved much richer than was at first anticipated by the owners. Four assays made gave the following values per ton, \$53, \$41, \$54 and \$37. It is said \$50 ore will net a fair profit, and as the lead is about 28 feet wide, there is every reason to believe that the Sullivan will equal some of the great silver-lead mines in the Northwest.

Manager Ike Williams has a force of men at work on the Moyie and Queen of the Hills mineral claims. These properties are situated on Moyie lake, and are extensions of the St. Eugene group of mines. There is no doubt that as soon as the railway reaches Moyie City nearly all the mines in proximity to the town will commence shipping ore.

A phenomenally rich strike has been made on the Baltimore mineral claim by Tom Rader, Chas. Farrell and Martin Foley. The Baltimore adjoins the St. Eugene and is traversed by the same lead. The boys feel quite sanguine over the outlook of their property.

Prominent mining capitalists from Montana will soon be here to inspect the Copper Belle, with a view of investment.

Charles Farrell has struck an 18-inch vein of silver-lead ore in a 16-foot shaft on his claim one-fourth of a mile south west of the St. Eugene, and is preparing to erect buildings and build a road to connect with the St. Eugene road.

Messrs. Arthur and Concklin have bonded the Minnie M. and Tiger mineral claims to the Fort Steele Development Company. The consideration is \$25,000 up in the thousands. The Minnie M. group is situated on Tracy creek.

It is reported that the owners of the White Swan mineral claim will ship at any early date.

### REVELSTOCK DIVISION.

I. T. Brewster, secretary of the Carnes Creek Consolidated company, is showing a piece of ore from the Rosebery that doesn't look like much, yet the value of it is surprising. He explains that on his recent flying visit he took the idea of getting a few samples at random and privately sending them to W. Fellowes for assay. They were all much alike and didn't look anything in particular when he got into town, but he sent two of them away and kept one. The assay result reached him Thursday morning—\$224 to the ton. This verifies recent assays and proves satisfactorily that the Carnes Creek Consolidated company have a very high grade pay streak. It is contemplated to raise the price of treasury stock.

Ed. Adair, of the Adair group, is very enthusiastic over the prospects of Lawrence creek camp. He believes he is on the mother lode of the country there, as it can be traced distinctly for over three miles, and the general geological indications are just the same as at Carnes creek camp, for which it strikes.

### REV. A. E. GREEN'S ADDRESS.

He Spoke in Favor of the Adoption of Prohibition.

In spite of the inclement weather a good-sized audience was at the Baptist church last night to hear Rev. A. E. Green of Vancouver discuss the plebiscite question. Close attention was given while the speaker ably discussed the various objections urged against prohibition.

He said that he was anxious that a full vote of the prohibitionists and saloonists should be polled, in order that the plebiscite should be a genuine test of public opinion in the matter. He urged that as prohibition laws are passed and enforced concerning the sale of diseased meats and fruits, also concerning building of wooden buildings on one's property, if within the fire limits of a city, also concerning numerous other things, it was also consistent to limit any one's desire to sell alcohol in any form. He had that such a limitation was of more importance and more necessary than any other he had mentioned. He wished the limitation to be such that alcohol should be sold only for use in the arts and manufactures, and not as a beverage. He also discussed revenue, compensation, enforcement and the various other phases of the liquor question.

At the close of the lecture Rev. G. H. Morden, the chairman, appointed a nominating committee consisting of the following: A. G. White, superintendent of the Le Roy, is in from Sophie mountain and reports that work on the tunnel is making excellent progress. A contract has been let for a 50-foot tunnel.

A contract was let Tuesday for a 100-foot tunnel in the Morning and Evening claims, which are located near Ymir. These claims are the property of the Clarendon Mining Company and are of considerable promise.

It was currently reported on the street yesterday that the force of the Le Roy is to be increased to 220 men on the first of the month. The receiver of the company, W. A. Carlyle, said last Tuesday that no increase is likely until the legal difficulties connected with the fight for possession of the property are settled.

The adjourned general meeting of the shareholders of the Royal Gold Mining Company, limited liability, will be held at the offices of the company, 115 West Columbia avenue, in this city, on the first day of September, at 11 o'clock p. m.

From a gentleman who arrived from Sheridan camp on the Colville reservation yesterday, it was learned that there is considerable activity there and a number of prospectors are in the field endeavoring to find properties like the famous Zala M. Clarke & Co., who own the Clara Belle are engaged in doing the assessment work on the property and feel much encouraged over the showing made. The Clara Belle adjoins the Zala M. on the north.

E. L. Phair, manager of the Halcyon Hot Spring, is a guest at the Allan.

## THE STOCK MARKET

Considerable Movement in the Cheaper Grade of Stocks.

### A DECLINE IN PRICES

A Demand For White Bears, Commanders, Novelties and Iron Colts—A Marked Decline in Virginia and Iron Maska—Deer Parks Are Firm.

There has been somewhat of a lull in the stock market during the past week. It is, however, the lull that followed the storm of business of the two or three previous weeks. It is certain that the lull will not last long, for yesterday there were signs of an improvement in the number of orders received, and a general increase in business. One feature of the market this week was that there was considerable inquiry and sale of some of the smaller stocks.

This was shown in Commanders' of which no less than 33,000 shares changed hands at 9 cents per share. The fact that the operations under the management of a company have already commenced on the Commander property accounts for the lively movement in the shares.

Novelties moved freely and brokers reported that 120,000 shares were sold during the week at 5 cents.

There was a large inquiry yesterday for White Bears from Toronto. The offers were mainly at from 7 to 7 1/2 cents, but as local holders wanted 8 1/2 cents, there were but few sales. The more usual demand for this stock is accounted for by the fact that Joseph E. McDougall, one of the directors, who recently visited this camp, has returned to Toronto where he has given the property a first class sendoff and so created a demand there for its shares.

There was considerable movement in Virginia during the week, but notwithstanding the liveliness there was a slump of several points. They were quoted at from 88 1/2 to 89 cents yesterday. They were worth 92 a week since. They should be a good buy at the present figures.

Deer Parks are the liveliest shares on the market, and a large number of them were sold during the week because of the fact that the company is about to install a plant. The excellent condition of this company and its fine prospects make its shares a good buy, as it seems certain that they will advance to a much higher figure before many days. The report of Nicholas Tregear on the property will undoubtedly have a stimulating effect on its shares.

Iron Maska fell from 90 cents to 87 during the week. It was thought certain that the Gooderham syndicate would purchase the Iron Maska property on a basis of \$1.25 per share, but it seems that the negotiations have proven abortive and this fact caused a slump.

Iron Colts are in demand and a number of them changed hands at from 7 1/2 to 8 cents during the past few days. This is due to the fact that the company will have a meeting sometime this week in Toronto for the purpose of devising ways and means for resuming work on its property, which has been shut down for the past five months.

Homestakes are selling at 4 1/2 cents. It is claimed that the company is selling large blocks of its shares in Toronto and that this has a tendency to weaken prices.

Gophers are selling at 4 1/2 @ 4 cents. Large blocks of Grand Prices were sold from 2 1/2 to 3 cents during the week, and it is estimated that 100,000 shares of this stock changed hands during the week.

There is a lively movement in Toronto in Monte Christos. The prices range from 27 1/2 to 28 cents.

A large block of Fairmonts, which company is operating the Morning and Evening Star claims at Ymir, have been placed upon the market.



A HUGE PLANT

The Canadian Pacific's Smelter at Trail.

THE NEW LEAD STACK

Will Treat About Two Hundred Tons Per Day.

ARE SPENDING \$150,000

The Works Being Put in Position to Handle 700 Tons of Ore Daily—An Immense New Copper Blast Furnace—The Smelting Situation—Half a Million Tied Up in Ore on Hand.

(From Friday's Daily.)

The extensive improvements at the Trail smelter, recently undertaken by the Canadian Pacific Railway company, are nearly completed. They represent an expenditure of about \$150,000, and make the total value of the plant between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

When the present additions to the plant are finished the capacity of the works will be 500 tons of copper ore daily, while the lead stack will handle between 150 and 200 tons. The total capacity of the smelter, therefore, will be represented by between 650 and 700 tons of ore every day.

The precise name of the plant since it was acquired by the C. P. R. is the Canadian Smelter works. It is operated under the charter of the British Columbia Southern Railway company, which was acquired some time ago by the Canadian Pacific Railway company. Since the present management took charge of the smelter, a few months ago, the whole works have been completely overhauled, and practically complete reduction plants in the west. Everything is of the most modern type, and in the way of labor-saving and automatic appliances for lowering the price of handling and reducing ores it is especially well equipped.

The Whole Smelter Renovated. The improvements recently completed and those under way have completely changed the appearance of the smelter. New buildings have been added, others have been torn down, huge smokestacks have been constructed, hills have been cut away and ground has been built up, until now all that remains one of the old works is the blue Columbia rolling along at the foot of the smelter hill. It is a remarkable change.

In the Furnace Room. It is in the furnace room that the most extensive alterations have taken place. There the two blast furnaces for copper ores have been completely overhauled, until now they are practically new. One of the blasts has been in operation for several weeks, and its handling 200 tons daily. The other was blown in yesterday and will be used in reducing still further the matte coming from the No. 1 furnace. To the east of these an immense new copper blast furnace will probably be erected, capable of handling alone between 300 and 500 tons per day. When it is in place, all the ore coming from the Roseland camp will first be passed through this furnace, and the matte thus produced will be afterwards run through the two present furnaces to be reduced to a still higher copper percentage.

Two of the old reverberatory furnaces are to be rebuilt at once. They are used in concentrating the matte turned out by the blasts and its produce blast copper. In accordance with its policy of treating the ores of the whole Kootenay country, the company is building a new lead stack with which to handle the galena ores of the Sloan and the Ainsworth divisions. The foundations for the stack are already in place, and the construction of the furnace itself will be completed immediately. The furnace jackets and a good many of the metal parts have already arrived. The stack will have a capacity of between 150 and 200 tons per day. In connection with it the company is building six mechanical roasters for the purpose of accomplishing the lead ores, while a new sampling works for handling the same class of ores are to be erected alongside the present sampler.

\$500,000 Worth of Ore. One of the interesting features of the smelter is the huge roast heaps, burning incessantly on the flat north of the main buildings. Here is over 20,000 tons of ore, valued at half a million dollars, thrown up in seven long piles, each of which burns for two months and a half in order to rid itself as much as possible from the sulphur. All the ore coming to the works is roasted in this manner, although with the Le Roi product it was necessary to roast only a part of the shipments.

The sulphur gas rising from these open roast heaps is one of the disagreeable things in connection with the smelter under the present circumstances, and in order to do away with this nuisance a new set of roasting stalls is being built, where it will be possible to handle between 150 and 200 tons of raw ore daily. The gas will be drawn away through a tall brick stack some 120 feet high, and about eight feet square inside. The foundations for the stalls are already in place, and three carloads of iron, for use in connection with them, have arrived. The stack is half way up, and the new stalls will be completed in three or four months. The brick side of three of the roasting stalls is being put up by the way, are being made of sulphur nansance be done away with in a large measure, but it will be possible to roast the ore on a much better and more thorough scale than heretofore.

North of the main blast furnace room the company is building an immense new stack for use in connection with all the furnaces at the smelter. The stack, which will be 200 feet high and 12 feet square on the inside, will be one of the biggest fires in the province, and will create a tremendous draft. As the

smoke from the blast and the reverberatory furnaces contains much precious metal which would be carried away in the form of gas, a long flue is being constructed through which the smoke will pass between the furnaces and the stack. The flue will catch a large proportion of this dust and small particles of ore or matte, which otherwise would be lost.

Three Sources of Power. The plant requires between 200 and 300 horse power in order to keep it running, and the power is furnished by three separate sources, any of which would operate the works if either of the other two should fail. The first source is the smelter's own electrical plant, situated at the foot of the hill, and run by water power obtained from the neighboring creeks. At present the entire works are practically being operated by this means. The second source is the reserve battery of boilers, erected in a new brick building quite separate from the main works, so as to be secured from fire. The last source is the electricity furnished by the West Kootenay Power & Light company. The pole lines from the latter's wires to the plant is nearly completed, and in a few weeks the smelter will be receiving power from Bonington Falls. It is the intention to run the plant regularly on electricity furnished by the West Kootenay power company, but in case of an accident to that service the smelter will have both its own dynamo plant and its boiler battery from which to secure the needed motive force.

Some Extensive Improvements. Among the improvements either now under way or else to be undertaken soon is the construction of a new brick assay office, which in its equipment and appliances will compare with any in the west. The boiler room, also of brick, is nearly completed, and near it a new brick carpenter shop has been constructed. The blacksmith shop is to be moved out of the works into a new building to be put up for that purpose. As to railway facilities, narrow and double gauge tracks have been carried throughout the works wherever possible, so that there need be no needless handling of the ore. A new track has also been constructed along the river front for the special purpose of handling the fuel and fluxes needed by the smelter. The coke used comes from the Dunsmuir's Comox collieries. The limestone flux at present comes from Kootenay lake, although it is expected that before long a suitable grade of flux will be secured nearer the smelter. All management intends to keep on hand at all times enough of both fuel and flux to last for a month ahead.

Briefly summed up, the equipment of the smelter, either now in place or about to be erected, includes two lead sampling works of a capacity of nearly a ton each; a sampler for treating the copper ores of the Roseland camp; three copper furnaces, two of the capacity of 200 tons each and one of the capacity of from 300 to 500 tons daily; two reverberatory furnaces for reducing the matte produced by the blasts; one lead furnace of a capacity of from 150 to 200 tons daily; two mechanical roasting furnaces for copper ores; six mechanical roasting furnaces for lead ores; 48 large reduction furnaces for copper ores, and two hand stalls for copper class of mineral. In addition to these, it is the intention to put in complete refineries, where the lead bullion and the copper matte can be converted into virgin gold, silver, lead copper.

In the first place, the ore as it comes down from the mines at Roseland, is dumped in automatic cars with self-dumping bottoms. On reaching the smelter the ore trains are run upon a switch located directly above the cars are opened, and the ore goes rumbling down into the bins beneath. That is the first stage of the process which extracts the precious metals from the waste rock.

Elaborate Sampling Works. From the ore bins the ore is carried away in small tram cars to the sampling works, a separate building devoted entirely to determining the value of the ore, so that proper returns can be made to the mine shipping it.

First the rock is sent through a big 10x20 Blake crusher, a high pair of steel jaws that, crunching slowly together, with a ponderous roar that can be heard all over the town of Trail, crush the ore to the desired fineness. Thence it passes to automatic machines, which select an average sample of all the ore in the shipment. This sample will weigh 200 or 300 pounds from 100 to 150 tons of ore, but it is carefully divided down until a few ounces are secured. These few ounces, technically known as the pulp, represent the value of the ore, consisting of an entire train load. The mine owner takes a portion of the pulp, the smelter keeps another part, and a third portion, carefully sealed by representative of both the mine and the smelter, is saved for use in case of a dispute as to the value of the ore. The assayers of the smelter test their sample and on their findings the smelter pays for the whole shipment of ore. The mine owner has a check assay made from his sample of the pulp, to see that he gets all that his due him. In case of a disagreement as to the value of the ore, an umpire is selected, who assays the third portion of the pulp, and on his decision the settlement for the shipment is made.

The Big Roast Heaps. After passing through the sampling works, the raw ore is trammed to the roast heaps, and thrown up in huge piles, where it burns in the open air for two months and a half to free itself as much as possible from its sulphur content. The only fuel required for the task is merely enough wood to start the fire burning. After that the sulphur burns itself.

The ore, after leaving the roast heaps, is trammed at once to high bunkers, where it is weighed and carted to the draft of air is constantly being forced in order to aid in the combustion of the ore. On the upper floor stand the feeders, experienced smelter men, who shovel the ore through huge doors ways into the furnace below. At the same time they throw in coke to be used as fuel in melting the ore, and they also add the right proportion of lime rock, which by some chemical process makes it possible for the mineral to be melted at a lower temperature than would be possible without the use of the flux. From the bottom of the furnace the molten mineral is drawn into a vat known as a forehearth. The precious metals contained in the matte settle into the lower part of the vat, while the slag, or waste,

remains in the upper portion. The molten slag is allowed to run off into a stream of cold water, which instantly granulates it into a fine black powder, and carries it away to the waste dump. The matte is also drawn away, and is likewise granulated in cold water, after which it is collected and elevated to what is known as the O'Hara roaster. As it leaves the blast furnace the matte contains from 10 to 20 per cent copper and about 25 per cent sulphur. In the O'Hara roaster, a long furnace, which is slowly stirred by machinery, from half to three-fourths of the sulphur is burned away. From the roaster the matte is delivered to the No. 2 blast where it is melted again just as the raw ore was melted in the first furnace. The ore was treated in this manner, and the second smelting leaves the matte about 40 or 50 per cent copper. The remainder is largely iron which has succeeded in staying with the valuable metals through the treatment thus far.

The Reverberatory Furnace. From the second blast the matte is taken to the reverberatories, peculiarly shaped furnaces adapted to concentrate the product of the blast still further. In No. 1 reverberatory the matte loses enough of its dross to make 70 per cent of copper and the allied precious metals such as gold and silver. In the second reverberatory the bulk of copper produced contains 95 per cent copper. The metals, however, are in one solid mass, and it is necessary to separate them. At present the high concentration matte will be shipped to the refineries either at New York, London, or New Orleans. In a short time, however, the reduction works at Trail will be equipped with their own refineries where all the ore treated at the smelter can be converted into pure gold, silver, copper or lead.

The Cost of Smelting. At present the regular commercial rate for treating the Roseland ores at the Trail plant is \$7.50 per ton, which includes a freight charge of 50 cents per ton. The interests of the mine owners are concerned by the fact that some of the prominent mining men of the camp will be on the smelter board, and as soon as the costs of treatment are reduced the charges for treatment will be correspondingly lowered.

At present the shipments to the smelter average between 250 and 300 tons per day. The principal shippers are the West Eagle, the Centre Star, the Iron Mask, the Sunset No. 2, the Deer Park, the Giant and the Monte Christo. It is expected that in a short time the rate will be increased to 400 or 500 tons per day. There are about 200 men employed around the works, and the payroll is close to \$15,000 per month. As a consequence of the revival of operations at the smelter, Trail has improved wonderfully, and the business men of the place are very hopeful of the future.

The Future Policy. As to the future policy of the Canadian Pacific with reference to the smelting situation in British Columbia, the company will continue on the present lines, and as soon as the development of Kootenay and of the Boundary country will warrant it, large reduction works will be erected in each of those districts. There will also be a big refinery at some central point where the matte and lead bullion produced at the outside smelters can be converted into the precious metals.

Contract for Machinery Let. The machinery for the Deer Park is to be installed and in operation within 30 days. A contract for the machinery for the James signed by J. D. Swain for the James Cooper Manufacturing company. The plant will consist of a seven-horse air compressor, an 80-horse power boiler, an 80-horse power engine, seven Ingersoll-Sergeant drills, a pump and a 500-foot hoist. So Cameron has the contract for installing the machinery from the C. & W. depot to the mine has been let to the Roseland Warehouse & Transfer company. The contract specifically provides that the machinery is to be in running order inside of the next 30 days.

Mold Nelson-Poorman. Hector Mold, one of the largest holders of Nelson-Poorman stock, yesterday sold 150,000 shares to C. O. Benkert of Vancouver. The price is with-holding but it may be inferred that a considerable amount of money changed hands, as the stock has been selling freely at from 25 to 50 cents since the vein was struck below the 4000 level. Mr. McRae, in this transaction, as his original investment was only a few thousand dollars.

RIVERSIDE PROPERTY IN ORE. Large Force of Miners Working—High Gold Assays. GRAND FORKS, Aug. 26.—[Special.]—Pay ore was struck yesterday in the Riverside property, near this place. The ore is in a solid ledge, nine feet in width, between the mine and the assay. It is gold and copper. The ore assayed here from Cascade City that the citizens are clamoring to have a resident provincial constable stationed there, as there is great need for such an official. At present the Provincial Constable Dimmore of this place, attends to police duty at Cascade City as well as Grand Forks.

Grand Forks is now experiencing a steady boom. The city is full of railroads and strangers. Added to this thousands of dollars are being spent on street improvements, making money plentiful and everybody happy.

Improvement in C. P. E. Service. P. G. Denison, local station agent for the C. & W., reports that freight is coming in at a rapid rate lately. The incoming shipments have averaged three carloads daily for the past three weeks, and this keeps the station agent and his assistants quite busy. The freight service has been greatly improved during the past summer, and consignments now come through in from 14 to 16 days from Toronto and Montreal. It is calculated as soon as the gauge of the C. & W. is widened that the time will be cut down at least one day. There will be a still greater reduction in the time on through freight when the Crow's Nest railway is finished. It is expected that it will then be common for freight to get through from Eastern Canadian points in from 10 to 12 days. Then it will be almost as fast as the passenger service. There was recently put into effect a reduction in the rates on first class freight of 30 cents per hundred. The first class rate was \$4.05 and has been reduced to \$3.75.

WORK TO BE RESUMED

Operations to Be Revived on the Alberta Property.

IT HAS TWO ORE VEINS

These Have Been Opened for a Considerable Distance—The Ore Will Average From \$12 to \$15 and Can Be Mined and Reduced at a Profit.

Encouraged by the excellent results that have been attained by the companies owning nearby properties, the Alberta Gold Mining company, limited, of Spokane, has decided to renew operations upon the Alberta property owned by the company. Jerome Drumbler of Spokane, one of the directors of the company, is in the city and has given directions that work be resumed at once under the direction of Roy H. Clarke, mining engineer. The property of the Alberta company is the Alberta claim located on Columbia-Kootenay mountain, a half mile northwest of this city, lying south of the Iron Colt and Columbia claims. It was operated about two years since with a Rand drills working with power from the Columbia-Kootenay compressor. The tunnel has been driven a distance of 400 feet and two large leads were encountered at a depth of 225 feet below the surface. These veins have been drilled on for a distance of 200 feet.

The ore from these veins assays from \$7 to \$12 and will average from \$12 to \$15. Under the old freight and treatment rate of \$11 per ton it would not be paid to mine and reduce this ore. Now, however, with a smelting rate of \$7 to \$7.50 per ton it can be extracted and smelted and leave a fair margin of profit. There is considerable quantity of ore in the property and this can now be reduced for considerably less than the smelting rate. This has encouraged the company to develop the property has been raised by the management and work is to be prosecuted vigorously. As many men can be conveniently employed will be put to work and the result of a shipping mine will be attained as soon as possible.

There is considerable ore on the dump and this will be looked into to ascertain how much of it can be sent to the smelter and to the reduction works at Silica. The management feels with the work that has been done and the ore in sight that it will not be long before the property can be placed on at least a self-sustaining basis. The Alberta company was incorporated on October 1st, 1896, with a capital stock of \$1,000,000 in shares of \$1 each.

A BOOKING SECTION

There is a Great Stir Along the Line of the C. & W.

D. A. Good is in the city from Gladstone, which is the new metropolis of the Burnt Basin country. There is a great demand for lots in the new town-site, he says, and they are selling like hot cakes. Two stores and a number of log houses are being constructed. A \$2,000 stock of goods is now at the landing at Gladstone for a store there in a few days over the tote road. The tote road, being built by the contractors who are constructing the extension of the C. & W. railway, is completed to a point four miles from the lake. Gladstone is located about 10 miles east of the lake and about a mile from the Burnt Basin river. There is a mining section in the region all around the lake, and it is expected that a town when it will be considerably larger than it is now. The C. & W. is in a few days a sawmill will be turning out timber in the vicinity of Gladstone, and it is anticipated that there will be plenty of work for carpenters.

Mr. Good had an interview with Gold Commissioner Kirkup yesterday, and said that he had agreed to extend the Sheep Creek trail from its present terminus to a point some three miles east from Gladstone. Mr. Kirkup says he will give the extension of this trail his immediate attention. When this trail is completed the extension of the Burnt Basin section of the C. & W. can be reached in about 25 miles away in connection with trails and roads Mr. Good is still of the opinion that a highway over which wagons could pass should be completed between Roseland and Cascade City. Over such a road the distance would be but 30 miles, while when the C. & W. is completed the distance will be about 100 miles. This wagon road is a necessity for the C. & W. and the Cascade City is in connection with trails and roads Mr. Good is still of the opinion that a highway over which wagons could pass should be completed between Roseland and Cascade City.

Mr. Good and associates have a property, the Jumbo, close to Gladstone for which they a few days since refused an offer of \$40,000. The sum of \$2,000 was to be paid down and the balance was to be in payment, but they refused the offer, considering that the property is worth much more than that figure.

Christina Lake and Burnt Basin. Thomas Keller is in the city from the Burnt Basin. He is considerably elated over the fact that the ore body on the Ennismore is widening out to such dimensions as depth is attained that he is satisfied that he has a mine. The ore of the Ennismore is a galena that carries 50 per cent lead and 40 ounces in silver to the ton.

There has been a great rush recently to Canyon creek, where free gold ledges of value have been secured by Messrs. Mann, Foley Bros. & Larson, and put to work on the Robson-Penticton branch of the Columbia & Western railway. The agents of the contractors in Victoria, Vancouver, San Francisco, Boston New York and elsewhere, report great success in securing men for the work, and in a comparatively short time they expect to get all the laborers needed. The price offered is the uniform one of \$2 per day, and the contractors advance transportation to Brooklyn. One agent, located at Boston, wired that he had just sent forward 300 men, and more will doubtless follow.

Will Soon Have Enough Men.

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Out the Discount in Two.

The banks at Spokane, which recently agreed to accept Canadian money only at a two per cent discount, have reduced the discount to one per cent, and there is a strong sentiment in favor of doing away with it altogether.

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O. K. GOLD MINING COMPANY

Limited Liability. (Foreign). In Liquidation. The Undersigned Official Liquidator Will Sell by Private Treaty Subject to Ratification by the Court

IN ONE LOT

The property known as the O. K. Mine and the buildings belonging to the said company. Also the entire mining and milling plant of said company, the whole situated on the south slope of O. K. mountain, in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay, Province of British Columbia. The claim is surveyed and crown granted and known as the O. K. mineral claim, official number 698. The property is about two and one-half miles west of the City of Rossland and close to the main wagon road and Red Mountain railroad, both leading from the City of Rossland to Northport, in the State of Washington.

BUILDINGS.—The principal buildings include the following: The new mill building containing stamp mill, but designed and built to accommodate 25 stamps; engine and boiler house. The development consists of three main tunnels, with one winze and numerous drifts, together aggregating over 1,500 feet of work.

The property is open to inspection, but an order for that purpose must be obtained at the office of the liquidator, 3 Imperial Block, Rossland, B. C., where further information can be obtained. Under an order of the court heretofore issued the undersigned is authorized to give a short option or working bond on the mine.

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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Table with 2 columns: Ore Name, Amount. Rows include War Eagle, Centre Star, Iron Mask, etc.

The ore shipments for the seven days from Aug. 13 to Aug. 20, inclusive, were as follows: War Eagle, 1,100; Centre Star, 453; Iron Mask, 35.

THE SILVER-LEAD INDUSTRY.

The Provincial government has declined to follow the advice of the Vancouver and Victoria boards of trade and the public press in regard to the appointment of a special representative of the Province at the Quebec conference.

The silver-lead industry of British Columbia alone would justify the appointment of a representative of this Province at the conference. We maintain that the circumstances surrounding this industry are so complex, and the satisfactory solution of the problem so vitally important, that without a very exhaustive statement of facts connected therewith the commissioners now in session at Quebec may fail to do what is required of them.

UNIVERSAL PEACE.

The proposal of the Czar of Russia for universal peace has taken the whole world by surprise. The leading European newspapers seem desirous to give the young emperor no little credit and sympathy in his humanitarian and magnanimous ideas.

ASSISTANT INSPECTOR NEEDED.

The quartz mining industry of British Columbia extends from the Pacific coast to the Rocky mountains. It is growing rapidly and will soon be the most important industry of the Province.

Under such circumstances it is next to impossible for one mine inspector to fully perform the duties of his office. An assistant inspector is needed, in order that the large area over which the lode mine industry of this Province is spread may receive proper inspection and the number of casualties be reduced to a minimum.

THE POLITICAL UNCERTAINTY.

The by-elections to fill the vacancies in the legislature caused by the formation of the Semlin ministry are awaited by the electors with keen interest. The Government claims 19 of the 38 seats in the House, but it is stated on excellent authority that J. D. Prentice, a Government supporter, is disqualified to sit as a member, not having been registered as a voter prior to the last elections.

ROSSLAND AND THE SLOCAN.

The Sandon Mining Review seldom loses an opportunity to decry the Rossland camp. It is evidently prompted to do so in the hope that the Slocan district will be benefited thereby. This, to us, seems a very short sighted policy to pursue, for nothing can result from it except contempt for the paper that prints such malicious nonsense, and, possibly, distrust in the permanency and value of the mineral resources of Southeastern British Columbia.

ROSSLAND AND BUTTE.

Butte, Montana, has a payroll of \$1,000,000 per month while Rossland's payroll is \$100,000 for the same space of time. Wait till Rossland has been mining five or six years and then its payroll will have crossed the Rubicon of the million per month mark.

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years. It is certain, too, from the recent good showing made in the Deer Park that there is a productive zone in the south belt, which may yet rival the great north belt in extent and richness. Some of the most noted mining experts in the world have visited this camp, and one or two of the best have declared that the south belt was at one time a higher formation than the north belt, but that the tops of the mountains had sunk down lower than those of the north belt owing to internal fires and other forces of nature.

PREFERENCE VS. RECIPROCIITY.

Somebody has interviewed one of the United States commissioners at Quebec, on the subject of the reciprocity affair and has published a declaration to the effect that in the opinion of that gentleman, the special tariff discount on British goods must be given to our neighbors, otherwise there can be no trade bargain with the Republic.

ELECTION LAW FOR THE PLEBISCITE.

The question has been raised in various places whether or not barrooms may be kept open on September 29, the day on which the prohibition plebiscite is to be taken. It will be seen from the following, which is section 6 of the plebiscite act, that the rules governing the Dominion elections have been adopted in this instance:

Section 83 of the Dominion elections act says: "No spirituous or fermented liquors or strong drink shall be sold or given at any hotel, tavern, shop or other place within the limits of any polling district during the whole of the polling day at any election for the house of commons; and every one who violates the provisions of this section shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty of \$100 and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months in default of payment of such penalty."

SILVER ISSUE IN THE U. S.

Chairman Babcock of the Republican congressional committee, expressed the opinion in Washington the other day that the approaching elections would result in a sweeping victory for his party. He looks for great gains in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and other middle west states, and Mr. Babcock is of the opinion that in the extreme west the free silver sentiment has died out to a wonderful extent.

publican gains, but the northwest, southwest and Pacific coast states will remain as loyal as ever to the cause of bimetalism. The regions just referred to are more concerned in the rehabilitation of silver than any other political question that at present confronts them. They will continue to fight for the re-establishment of one of their most important industries, namely, that of silver.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

With the opening of a branch office of the Bank of Toronto in this city, Rossland will be by far the largest banking center throughout the thousands of miles between Winnipeg and Vancouver.

The MINER is in a position to state that there is no truth in the report of a Slocan paper to the effect that the Pilot Bay smelter will soon start up again under the management of the British East Kootenay Syndicate, limited, of Cardiff, Wales.

If the legislature were called together tomorrow Messrs. Semlin, Cotton, McKechnie, Hume and Martin would not be entitled to sit as members of that body. Ordinarily the practice is for the writ for a new election to be issued the moment a minister accepts office.

The following sensible remark is from the New Westminster Columbian: "Canadians are a quiet and rather an undemonstrative people, though patriotic to the core; but it is not a patriotism of an aggressive nature, like that of our cousins across the border."

The business men of this city are waiting impatiently for a sweeping reduction of the present exorbitant fire insurance rates. The municipality has established the fire department on lines suggested by the insurance companies, upon the understanding that the rates were to be reduced as soon as the improvement was made.

ELSEWHERE will be found the only details made public of the much talked of caucus of the Government party held last Friday at Vancouver. It will be seen that Mr. Semlin is allowed to remain at the head of the party. "Joe" Martin was present at the convention, but it is impossible for us to state to what extent he attempted to oust the Premier from the leadership.

The new offer of the Australian colonies in regard to the construction of the Pacific cable will probably have the effect of giving definite shape to that project. The original proposition was that one-third of the cost was to be paid by Great Britain, Canada and Australia respectively.

No sooner has the peace protocol between the United States and Spain been signed than war breaks out between the officials of the American war department. General Miles, senior major general of the United States army, has seen fit to criticize various acts of commission and omission on the part of Secretary Alger of the war department.

The Conservative convention, to be held at Vancouver on September 1 and 2, will not, as was anticipated, be honored by the presence of Hon. George G. Foster. This will be a distinct disappointment to the Conservatives of British Columbia. The primary object of the convention is to arrange for the Provincial organization of the party, and the result is bound to be far-reaching in its effect not only in Local but in Dominion politics.

"Mr. Goschen the First Lord of the Admiralty, has informed a delegation of the British Empire league that the Imperial government is willing that the

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We Court the Most Thorough Investigation Of this property and of its management. This is the FIRST PUBLIC OFFERING OF shares in this company; the bulk of the stock being held in large blocks, among the holders of which may be found the names of some of the most conservative investors in Rossland and other points in the West, also in Eastern Canada, to whom we will be pleased to refer you.

EDWARD C. FINCH - - Rossland, B. C.

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The Stock Market

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name, Price. Rows include Athabasca, Canada Western, Cariboo Creek, etc.

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Judge Spinks' Order Appointing a Le Roi Receiver Set Aside.

CARLYLE IS NOW OUT

The Representative of the Minority Stockholders, W. J. Harris, is in Charge, But Cannot Ship Over 100 Tons of Ore Per Day.

VANCOUVER, Aug. 31.—The order made at Rossland by Judge Spinks for the appointment of Receiver W. A. Carlyle, for the Le Roi Mining & Smelting Company, was this morning cancelled by Mr. Justice Irving, on the application of counsel of the minority shareholders of the company.

Mr. Bodwell applied for the discharge of the order on the ground of the want of jurisdiction. He pointed out the various sections in the statute in which it was provided that the supreme court judges of Westminster district, Mr. Justice Irving and Mr. Justice McCall were judges for the court in supreme court matters.

His lordship was of the opinion that the order that had been made was a chamber order and not a court order. Mr. Bodwell pointed out that the order having been made by Judge Spinks of Yale, at the request of County Court Judge Forin of Kootenay, Mr. Daly, in order to establish the authority of Judge Spinks, would have to invoke the authority of the county court judge, acting as a local judge, could have any power to dispose of these matters.

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VICTORIA TANGLE

A Royal Commission Suggested to Straighten It Out.

W. W. B. McINNES' LETTER

He Declares That He Was Offered a Cabinet Position Provided He Would Stand in With the Turner Government During the Recent Campaign.

VICTORIA, Aug. 29.—With reference to the recent political tangle the Colonist tomorrow will say: "In the interest of good government it is desirable that there should be the fullest possible investigation into the facts connected with the dismissal of the Turner ministry.

At present there are grave contradictions on questions of fact, and serious charges have been made on both sides. A royal commission will afford the only means of arriving at the whole history of the transaction, and we therefore suggest that representation be made at once by the Ottawa of the subject and a commission be demanded.

W. W. B. McInnes' Letter. W. W. B. McInnes, M. P., publishes a letter in the Times to-day respecting the mention made of his name in the correspondence relating to the dismissal of the Turner ministry.

At the Hospital. The sisters at the hospital are interested now in securing an adequate heating apparatus for the hospital building. They hope to secure a hot water plant, but the cost would be in the neighborhood of \$3,000, and as the sisterhood is already in debt for the building it occupies, it will hardly be a step to install the new heating machinery unless the long-desired provincial grant is obtained.

PERSONAL. George Killam left last night for Trail on business. J. E. Boss, the Greenwood mining operator, is at the Allan.

Major W. E. Blackmer, of the Trail Creek News, was in the city yesterday en route to Spokane. W. F. Tye, the chief engineer of the Canadian Pacific railway, was in the city last evening.

SIXTEEN WERE PRESENT. Members-Elect Supporting New Government Confirm Semlin as Leader. The members of the government party met Friday night in O'Brien's hall, Homer street, Vancouver, in pursuance to the agreement arrived at on July 20.

FROM THE RECORDS. Transfers. August 26. Sultana, Horse Shoe, Lake View, Klondike, Tremain, Boundary No. 2, Jersey Manila fraction, Dewdney Province, Rossland, West Kootenay, to be sold by sheriff September 13 to satisfy judgment in case of Charles H. Billicott vs. Charles Council.

Liberty was given to apply on the 7th of September for extension; leave to amend writ was also granted.

A BANKING CENTER.

Bank of Toronto to Establish a Branch in This City.

The probabilities now are that it will not be long before the Bank of Toronto will have established a branch in this city.

Several days for the purchase of this property with John R. Cook, who is the owner. It has finally been arranged so that Mr. Cook will, within a short time, have a personal interview with the agent of the bank.

There are some good ones here. 5,430 Alberta, 4 1/2%; 1,000 Athabasca, 3 1/2%; 2,145 Canadian Gold Fields, 8 1/2%; 2,000 Cariboo, 7 3/4%; 5,000 Deer Park, 20 1/2%; 400 Dundee, 4 1/2%; 6,000 Evening Star, 6 1/2%; 2,700 Fern, 7 1/2%; 5,000 Good Hope, 2 1/2%; 2,000 Giant, 7 1/2%; 5,000 Iron Mask, 2 1/2%; 3,000 Kootenay, 20 1/2%; 3,000 Monte Christo, 2 1/2%; 14,000 E. Homestake, 4 1/2%; 1,000 Slocan Star, 1 1/2%; 10,000 Victory-Triumph, 9c.

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MARKET FEATURES. There has been a big demand for Novelty, and we sold 3,300 shares of that stock at 9 cents. We had a number of inquiries for White Bear yesterday, but as they were beneath the price asked by local holders we could make no deals of magnitude.

Water Supply Getting Short. Delay in the completion of the New Flume Line. The dryness of the past summer has affected the reserves of the city water supply, and H. O. Fellows, the superintendent of the company, has suspended the sprinkling of the streets until the fall rains give plenty of water again.

Feared That Captain Nesbitt and Archie Shiels, formerly of the steamer Kootenay on the Arrow lakes, were killed in the wreck of the Sticken Chief, which occurred a few days ago in the Yukon trade.

LOTS SOLD FOR TAXES. They Brought Only the Most Nominal Prices as They Are Being Seized. Good Rossland realty going at prices ranging around \$4 and \$5 per lot was the interesting sight presented Monday at the government sale of property on which the taxes were unpaid.

BRUSH FIRES NORTH OF TOWN. They Are Burning Briskly Around Blue's Sawmill. Heavy brush fires have been burning for several days past on Stoney creek, near Blue's sawmill. The long continued dry spell of the past six weeks has put the timber there in fine shape to burn, and it is likely that the conflagration will keep up for days and days to come.

The Rossland Athletic club has arranged for the first annual ball to be held at the club house on St. Paul street, Monday evening, September 5, at 9 o'clock.

Rossland Mining Market

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

THE WEEK'S REPORT. The week has been quieter than usual. The principal stocks inquired after by investors have been Deer Park and Grand Prize. The former stock has especially been in good demand.

Our Market Quotations, Corrected Weekly. Brandon & Golden Crown 25. Hall Mines... \$6.50. Old Ironsides... 26. Cariboo... 74. Iron Mask... 97. Poorman... wanted. Deer Park... 2 1/2. Kootenay... 20 1/2. R. Homestake... 5 1/2. Dundee... 4 1/2. Monte Christo... 2 1/2. Silverline... 3 1/2. Evening Star... 6 1/2. Noble Five... 17 1/2. St. Elmo... 5 1/2. Good Hope... 2 1/2. Novelty... 3 1/2. Victory-Triumph... 10

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I Have Cash Buyers for DEER PARK VIRGINIA MONTE CHRISTO ST. ELMO. List your stocks with me. Cash advanced.

ROSSLAND Stock Market. The market yesterday was rather quiet. A few large blocks of cheap stock were sold. We look for an advance in Deer Park, Virginia and Monte Christo.

Snaps for Today. We offer today subject to sale the following snaps: 500 Monte Christo... 1,000 Homestake... 4 1/2. 1,000 Iron Mask... 2 1/2. 3,000 Deer Park... 20 1/2. 5,000 Noble Five... 17 1/2. 1,000 White Bear... 8. 5,000 Noble Five... 17 1/2.

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THE EVENING STAR

The Work of Development Is to Be Pushed.

THE RESERVES OF ORE

A Trial Shipment Is to Be Made to Silicia—A Force of 18 Men to Be Put to Work on the Commander on Monday—Giant Vein Is Wide.

"We intend to go right along with the development of the Evening Star," said Jerome Drummheller, one of the largest stockholders in the company, to a MINER reporter last Friday. "The showing is very good. There is now about five feet of ore in the tunnel, and we are sinking on the showing in order to determine its extent. There is already some considerable ore in the reserves, and as soon as the B. C. Extraction company's plant at Silicia is completed, we shall probably make some shipments. At any rate, tests will be undertaken in order to determine the adaptability of the Evening Star to the process in use at the new reduction plant.

"As to the cost of carrying on work, we are drifting at 12 per cent, including all items, and that figure, I think, will compare favorably with any work in progress in the camp. As soon as the property gets thoroughly prospected, for the present development, we shall put a crew to work as may be needed to open the property thoroughly.

RICH LARDEAU ORE

W. S. Rugh returned last Friday from an extended trip into the Lardeau country, where he was seeing to the surveying of the Wagner group, in which he, with D. W. Henley and Cutler T. Porter of Spokane are interested. The properties include 13 claims at the head of Hall creek, back of Trout Lake City, and about 18 miles from the head of navigation on the Duncan river. There is an immense showing of silver-lead on the group, and a tunnel driven 100 feet last year has shown between six and a half and eight feet of ore. Of this 20 inches is of very high grade, running between 40 and 50 per cent in lead and about 250 ounces in silver. The rest of the ore is a concentrating proposition, which will concentrate about seven into one.

The group is situated along the famous lime dike, from which it is separated by a deposit of slate. Mr. Rugh thinks that the property will make a fine mine when transportation facilities are secured, but until that time the district must remain in a prospective state. The C. P. R. surveyors, who are running a line between Thompson's landing and Upper Arrow lake and the head of Kootenay lake were about half way between Thompson's landing and Trout Lake City when Mr. Rugh left the camp.

Salmon River Country. Chief of Police J. S. Ingram is back from a trip to the Salmon river country, where he was looking after the development of the Canadian Queen, in which William Mitchell and A. B. Ingram are interested. The property lies just beside the well known Arlington, and Mr. Ingram thinks it has the Arlington ledge. Already about \$800 worth of work has been done upon it, and the owners are now having it surveyed in order to obtain a crown grant. The work includes a shaft about 20 feet on a talc formation, and the contract has been let for sinking it to the 50-foot level.

On the Alberta, says Mr. Ingram, the new steam hoisting plant is nearly in place, and it will be running inside of 10 days. The shaft is now down about 60 feet, and it will be continued as actively as possible as soon as the power plant is working. The whole country in the neighborhood of the mine is being thoroughly opened up, and there are trails now leading from it in all directions. Some 15 men are at work on the property. The management is considering putting in a compressor plant next spring.

Rich Copper Properties. R. A. Brown, of the Sunset mine in the Similkameen country and the Volcanic mine in the Boundary country, is in the city on a visit. There are two claims in the Volcanic country and the Volcanic and the Wolverine, and they have a surface showing that is simply phenomenal, and there is nothing like it in the Boundary country for width, continuity and permanence. The croppings are 1,000 feet wide. Mr. Brown has done considerable work on these properties. For a long time he has been engaged in driving a tunnel so as to tap the ore body at a depth of 1,308 feet. This tunnel has been driven a distance of 343 feet, and 30 feet further on it is expected that the ore body will be encountered. With a depth of 1,300 feet of back stopping ground and such a large ore body there will be a chance for stopping out large quantities of ore. It is claimed by those who have visited the property that the Volcanic group is one of the largest copper ore bodies in the Dominion. The extension of the Columbia & Western railway will run within four miles of the Volcanic group, and thus will afford transportation for its ores to smelters.

The Sunset mine also has an extraordinary showing of copper, and it is said that it has the makings of a very valuable property. The Sunset requires development and transportation facilities, and arrangements are practically completed by which extensive work will be done on the mine in the near future.

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Work on the Giant. A. D. Coplen, president of the Giant Mining company, is in the city on a visit. He reports that a crosscut is being made on the 50-foot level that cuts the vein. Though the footwall has not been reached the vein is already known to be 14 feet wide. The ore will be more or less broken and the ore will probably not give very high assays, but it is strongly mineralized. When a greater depth is reached it is expected that the values will increase. Mr. Coplen intends to soon visit the Sloan, and will return and give the development of the Giant more of his attention. He feels satisfied that in the Giant he has that, which with proper development, will make a valuable mine.

DEFIED THE POLICEMEN

A Half Breed Indian Out on a Rampage.

A Rough and Tumble Fight That Lasted for a Quarter of an Hour—Arrested on a Compromise—He Jumped His Bail.

Charley Richter, an Indian herder from the Similkameen, engaged the police force yesterday afternoon in a running fight that lasted for a quarter of an hour. At the end of the battle the Indian was seemingly in shape to continue hostilities all night, but he was induced to go quietly to jail, on the condition that his pony be carefully stabled.

Richter is a son of old Frank Richter, the half-breed stock raiser near Princeton, whose wealth in cattle and lands runs far into the thousands. Accompanied by two other Indian herders Charley came to town yesterday with a bunch of steers for F. Burns & Co. After disposing of the cattle the three started to spend the proceeds in getting drunk, and they were racing up and down the streets on their cayuses at a furious pace.

They ended at the Montreal house, on east Columbia avenue, and as they came out they were feeling decidedly quarrelsome. Some ladies were passing, but, heedless of this fact, the halfbreeds commenced a noisy and very profane tirade of everything in sight. Chief of Police Ingram, who was expecting some such outbreak, promptly ordered the Indians to behave themselves, but instead of doing so they started a worthy quarrel as to their rights when they came to town. Richter was especially all the time. At last the chief started to take him into custody, but the Indian, who by this time was on his horse, made a stubborn resistance, which caused the chief to pick up his rifle from his pony on the ground and starting to take him to jail.

A Rough and Tumble Fight.

That was when the real warfare commenced. The Indian absolutely refused to be arrested, and he made a mighty interesting fight for his liberty. He was a magnificently built fellow well over six feet high and proportionately broad and sinewy. Chief Ingram himself is a powerful man, but he could do nothing with the Indian, who threw him off almost as if he were a mere boy. Officer McPhee, seeing the trouble, came running up, and they were joined by Frank Raymer of the fire department. The three of them managed to get the half-breed on his back but that was very little satisfaction, for he fought them there a furiously as ever, and it was practically impossible to get him to jail. After five minutes hard work they managed by choking him to get one handcuff on him, but the halfbreed succeeded in keeping the other hand free, and with that he slashed at everything within reach.

The other Indians were intensely interested in the fight, and the younger of them did his best to have the officers free Richter. The herders, however, had a wholesome respect for the police, and they made no effort to interfere except when the chief was throttling the big buck on the ground. Then the younger breed reached nervously for his gun, which he was packing in his rear breeches pockets. Half a dozen feet he was on the point of drawing it, but he always hesitated.

At last Richter, who was still fighting as vigorously as ever, agreed to go peacefully to jail if they would keep him in for a few minutes, and would look in after his cayuse. He had never been in jail, he explained, and he didn't want to break his record. Besides, he insisted, he hadn't done anything out of the way. On these terms a compromise was worked out, and the big fellow was led off to the lockup. In the evening he was let out on \$30 bail, which he secured, and the moment he was at liberty he made for his horse, mounting it, in a mighty little while. There is a very little chance that he will ever show up here again, and the city is that much richer.

School Will Open September 5.

Owing to the heat the school board has decided to adjourn the opening of the schools for a week. The school year, therefore, will begin on Monday after next, September 5. W. A. Blair, the principal of the schools, who spent the summer in the east, has returned. Miss McQueen, Miss Noble and Miss Renwick are also back from their vacations. Miss Walker, Miss Moffatt and Miss Burns are all expected in the city. The arrangement of the teachers among the different rooms has not yet been finally settled upon.

Honest Help Free to Weak Men.

The Rossland Miner is authorized to state by Rev. A. H. Macfarlane, Frankton, Ontario, that any man who is suffering from troubles resulting from overwork, excess or abuse, such as nervous debility, loss of vigor, unnatural losses, etc., can be cured, and is instructed free of charge how to be thoroughly cured. Knowing, to his sorrow, that so many sufferers are being imposed upon by unscrupulous quacks, this clergyman considers it his duty to give his fellow men the benefit of his experience and assist them to a cure. Having nothing to sell, he asks no money. Any man who sends for his advice and follows it can rely upon being cured. Of course, only those actually needing help are expected to apply, enclosing a stamp. Address as above and refer to THE ROSSLAND MINER.

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A COMPANY IS FORMED

The Kaslo-Slocan Railway and the International Navigation & Trading Company Have Been Consolidated—Hill Is Pulling the Wires.

There now seems to be no doubt that the Nelson & Bedlington railway is to be built. A correspondent in London writes as follows concerning the company that has been formed there for that purpose: "In the midst of an extremely dull season, a project of considerable importance is being brought before the notice of the British public. This is the Kootenay Railway & Navigation company, limited, which has been formed to consolidate and extend the railway and steamboat service in British Columbia, controlled by J. J. Hill. This company will acquire the Kaslo & Slocan railway and the steamers of the International Navigation & Trading company, which at present run between Kaslo and Nelson and connect with the Spokane Falls & Northern railway. A new line is to be built 55 miles long from the southern end of Kootenay lake to meet the Great Northern at Bonners Ferry, and in the Northern Pacific at Sandpoint, and in future the line of steamers will run from Kaslo to the southern end of Kootenay lake instead of to Nelson. The construction of this line of railway will be in the hands of local companies, which will build and operate the portions in Kootenay and the United States respectively. The capital of the Kootenay Railway & Navigation company, limited, is £500,000, which goes as purchase price for the existing lines of railway and steamers, and £480,000 in debentures is being offered to the public for subscription. The money thus raised will go to provide capital for the construction of the line of railway, which are to be constructed the new line of railway. Considering everything, this scheme appears to be a fairly reasonable one, and very profitable, and it is to be hoped that the knowledge gained on an accurate judgment. For some unknown reason, the prospectus carefully hides the fact that J. J. Hill is the manspring of the whole business, and holds half the shares capital. As he is known in England as a shrewd railway manager, one would have thought that the most would be made of his name. Of the board of directors George Alexander of the International Navigation & Trading company appears to represent the British interest; there is a director of the Bank of British North America, and H. W. Foster of the London & British Columbia Gold Fields, and A. C. Mitchell Innes, there is hardly any doubt that the strong connections at the head of the company will bring in all the required money."

SHERIDAN CAMP.

The Kittie Clyde Changes Hands for a Consideration of \$10,000.

SHERIDAN CAMP, Colville Reservation, Aug. 25.—[Special.]—There is a great deal of excitement here over the mining outlook, and it is thought that this is destined to be one of the largest camps on the reservation. A deal was closed here yesterday by which a Spokane syndicate, for a consideration of \$10,000, acquired the Kittie Clyde claim, owned by Mr. Giles, a prospect of considerable promise. The new purchasers have already put a force to work on the Clyde. O. S. Clarke and partner have begun the development of the Belle, a promising property which adjoins the Kittie Clyde claim on the north. It is claimed that the Clara Belle has the vein of the Zala M.

A Steamer Wrecked.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 27.—Further details confirmatory of the report of the wreck of the steamer Jessie and the barge Minerva, with the possible drowning of 14 men, known as the Columbia Navigation company, at the mouth of the Kuskowim river, Alaska, were reported today in a letter from Rev. J. H. Romig, of Bethel, Alaska, July 12. Rev. M. Romig, who is a friend of the party up Kuskowim river, writes: "A native, who has just arrived here, reports that just after a team on the other side of the both sides stove in and half full of water and had no masts. To the tow post was the short end of a towing rope which had been cut with a sharp knife. Various boxes had been chopped open with an axe and the natives, after their custom, divided the wreckage among themselves. Our informant had a shirt from the cargo. Nothing has been heard of the river steamer for 17 days, and we fear all the miners are lost. If they are still alive they have weathered two severe storms. They were in dangerous waters abounding in sunken reefs and rocks."

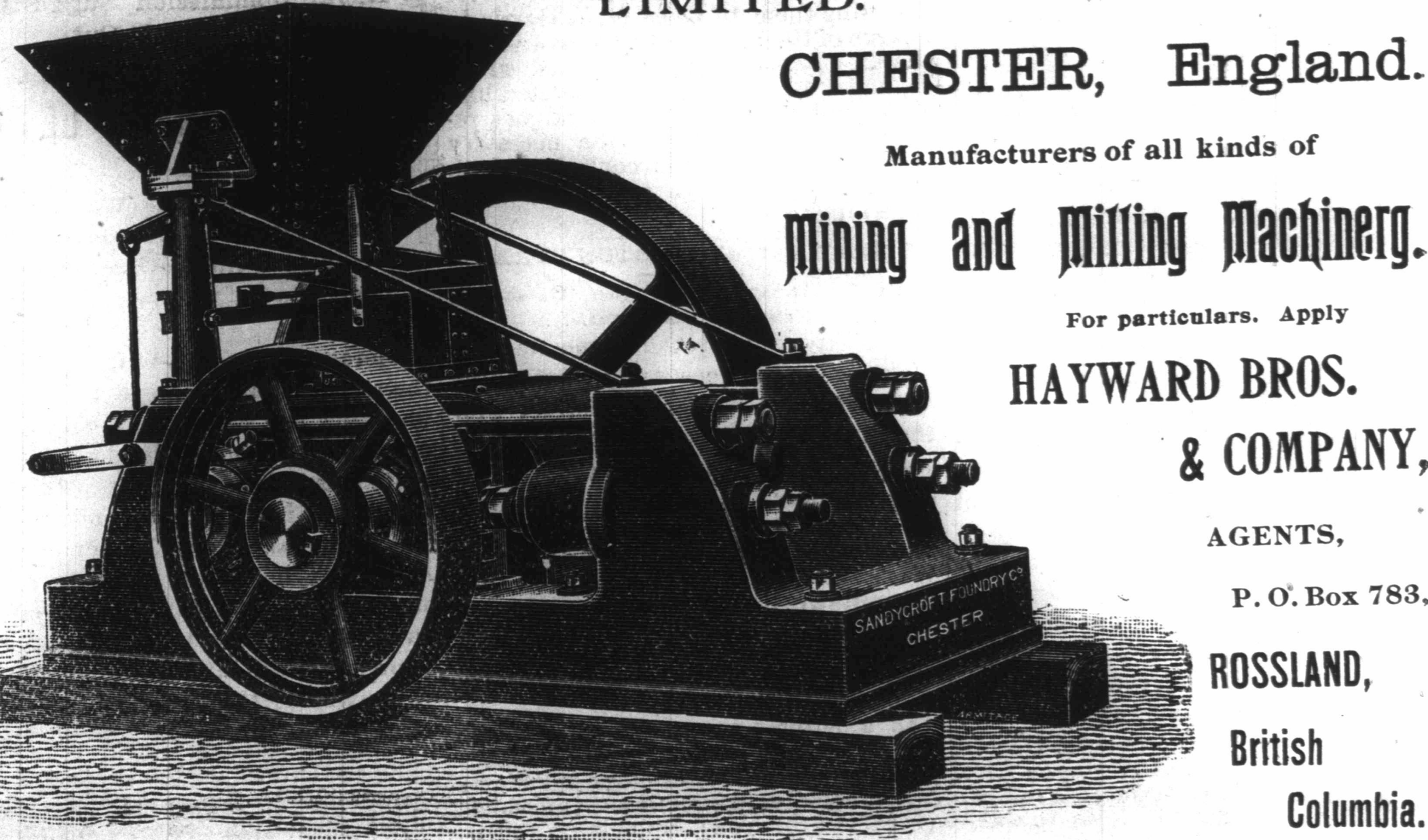
Struck It Rich.

SEATTLE, Aug. 27.—News reached here today of the big party of New York Germans who made a spectacular departure from New York city last winter for Alaska. The party did not go to Dawson but drifted down to Lake Allie, opposite Pine creek, where they found gold in paying quantities. All had staked out claims.

IN A CRITICAL STATE.

The Least Overt Act on the Part of China May Cause a War. LONDON, Aug. 27.—An authoritative confirmation has been received from Peking by the Daily Mail this morning asserting that the relations between England and the Republic of China are in a critical state, and that the British minister, Sir Claude Macdonald, has been ordered to leave the city. It is intimated that Great Britain will regard as cause belli failure on the part of China to observe Great Britain's wishes, and if necessary the British squadron now assembled at Wei Hai Wei, will support the British minister's demand.

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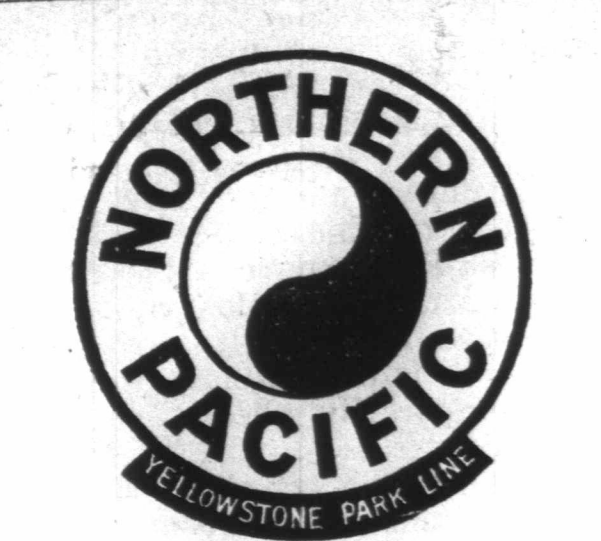
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THE SMELTING INDUSTRY.

The smelting industry in this country is equally important as the mining industry. This is because the ores, with very slight exception are refractory in character and require one or other of the methods of fire reduction. It is essential, therefore, that the smelting industry be fostered, aided and protected by all that the government can do for it, because on its success depends as much of the future of mining in this province as on any other one thing.

The effects of the marked reduction in the cost of smelting are frequently manifested in this camp. Every few days work is resumed on some property which was shut down many months since because the ore was of such a low grade that under the freight and treatment rates that prevailed a year or two since, it could not be mined and reduced at a profit.

The benefits are not confined to this division, but will extend all over the Kootenays and other sections will, so to speak, blossom and bloom under the effects of the liberal and beneficent policy inaugurated.

In the matter of locating smelters in proximity to mines the Trail Creek division is not the only one that is favored in this respect, for it is the intention to locate smelters in the Boundary and other sections on sites as close to where the ore is produced as possible, with due regard to economical operation.

THE SILVER-LEAD INDUSTRY.

No section in Canada is more interested in the outcome of the international conference, now in session at Quebec, than the Kootenays. This district hopes and expects that the commissioners will carefully consider the present condition of the silver-lead industry of Canada and the United States.

It is expedient that these barriers should be forthwith removed. As soon as this is done, and regardless of the price of silver and lead, the output of silver-lead ore in the Kootenays will be increased at least tenfold.

THE NEW CHIEF JUSTICE.

The appointment of Mr. Justice McColl as chief justice of British Columbia will give general satisfaction to both the legal profession and the public. It is hoped that the appointment of a new puisne judge will not take one-fourth as much time as was consumed in the appointment of a chief justice.

ROSSLAND'S TRADE.

Rossland is fast becoming a wholesale center for many of the surrounding camps. This has become the case to a large extent since the city was made by the transportation companies a common traffic point with Nelson, Trail, and other points along the Columbia river.

Considerable of the goods now consumed in the Boundary Creek country are sold by the merchants in this city. They are shipped from here to Bossburg, and from there by team into the towns and camps to the west.

The matter of the road from Rossland to the tote road has probably been overlooked in the crisis at Victoria, but even if this is so, the new government should be communicated with by the board of trade, to the end that something may be immediately done.

that the by-traffic, to say nothing of the direct trade between the two places, would in a very short time pay many times the cost of the highway's construction.

There will naturally be an increase in the wholesale trade of this city, but it will never be great until there are better facilities for getting in and out and roads as well as railways are essential.

THE CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

A requisition numerously signed by Liberal-Conservatives in all parts of the Province having been presented to Colonel E. G. Prior, M. P., of Victoria, asking him to call a convention of the party for the purpose of organization, he accordingly asks members of the party to meet at Odd Fellows' hall, Vancouver, at 10:30 a. m. on Thursday and Friday, September 1st and 2nd next.

Adopting the system generally in vogue, the basis of representation at this convention will be as follows:

- 1.—Liberal-Conservative privy councilors resident in British Columbia.
2.—Liberal-Conservative senators and members of the Dominion parliament from British Columbia.
3.—Liberal-Conservative ex-members of the Dominion parliament, resident in British Columbia.
4.—Liberal-Conservative members and ex-members of the Provincial legislature of British Columbia.
5.—Liberal-Conservatives, who were candidates at any election, either Federal or Provincial, in British Columbia.
6.—The officers of any Liberal-Conservative association, organization or club in British Columbia.
7.—A Liberal-Conservative representative, nominated for this convention, by the electors of any polling division, Federal or Provincial, in British Columbia.

Besides the above all persons in sympathy with the Liberal-Conservative party are cordially invited to be present, when ample opportunity will be given them to lay their views before the convention.

This convention will place the Conservatives in a condition to battle for the control of the next legislature, and it is more for this than anything else that the organization of the party is undertaken. It does not seem probable that the Semlin cabinet can continue in power for any great length of time, and another general election may be looked for before many months elapse.

THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION.

The situation in the far east is strained to the utmost point of tension, and Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister, has notified the Sung Li Yamen that Great Britain will regard as a cause belli any further attempt on the part of China to disregard the wishes of Great Britain so far as concessions to other powers are concerned. It is apparent that China is determined to do as little as possible in the interest of Great Britain.

With an equitable arrangement of the customs duties and the opening of the towns to traffic a marvelously large trade could be established, and despite the intriguing of the Russians and other powers, Great Britain, should Salisbury's policy prevail, would have the lion's share of the trade of China.

It is felt in many quarters that if there is to be trouble between Great Britain and Russia over the Chinese question it had better come now than at any other time. Russia is not prepared for war and will not be in condition to put up a really good fight until the trans-Siberian railway is completed.

The following pointed paragraph is from the Toronto Telegram: "Wilfrid Laurier's ingratitude failed to keep Joseph Martin from coming to the top, and his favor will likewise fail to keep Clifford Sifton from going to the bottom,

to her lack of transportation facilities could not transport her troops to the principal scene of conflict (in China) in time to do any effective work. The war seems to be almost inevitable, and England could go to Russia even if the latter secured an ally and whip her so badly in a few months that she would never, for at least fifty years to come, have anything to say about the dismemberment of China.

The Manchester Guardian of a recent date makes an apparently authoritative statement that Great Britain and the United States will act together diplomatically in the Orient, wherever the interests of the two countries are identical. The United States is as much interested in the policy of "open doors" as Great Britain is and is as much opposed to the Russian policy of closing Chinese ports to all the world but herself.

With such a combination confronting the Russian policy of selfishness it looks as though that country will have to moderate her demands or receive a sound drubbing similar to that which has just been administered to Spain. Great Britain can do this without the help of the United States, provided the other powers did not get in and assist Russia. In such a case the help of the United States might be welcome.

A LIBERAL POLICY.

It is evident that the C. P. R. intends to adopt a most liberal policy toward the miners of Kootenay in affording them facilities for the cheap smelting and transportation of their ores. It is stated by an authoritative source that the C. P. R. intends to erect and maintain smelters, besides the one at Trail, in East Kootenay and in the Boundary country. From this it will be seen it is not animated by a desire to secure the longest possible haul for the highest rate on ores. If this were the case it would make great reduction works at some central point in the Kootenays and compel miners all over the district to pay tribute to it in the shape of high prices for long hauls from the more remote points. It is its policy to place smelters as close to the places where ore is produced as is consistent with cheap smelting.

It may be said that the C. P. R. will do this because it fears competition. This is not true because it would be impossible for a small corporation to compete with the railway company with its immense capital and its great railway behind it. One of the heavy costs of a smelter is the sums that are paid for the hauling of fuel and fluxes. The C. P. R. can do this sort of hauling for the bare cost.

It is evident from the fact that the C. P. R. is building a lead stack at Trail that one of its endeavors will be to reduce the silver-lead ores of this section. No small corporation has ever been able to do this successfully. The lead trust of the United States has so far been able to so manipulate the import duties on lead that it has kept all efforts in this direction that have been made. It is the boast of the United States lead trust that it has more capital at its command than the C. P. R. It is evident, however, that the C. P. R. has determined to take up the cudgels in favor of the people of Canada, and to try the effect of a little competition with this powerful American trust. If the Canadian Pacific smelts the lead here it should naturally follow that an endeavor will be made to establish factories where the products of lead such as lead paints, etc., can be turned out. Under the protecting care of the big Canadian railway company this can be done, and it will be done. It seems certain that the C. P. R. will be able to defeat the American lead trust, at least so far as Canadian territory is concerned. In all these endeavors the C. P. R. is moved by one object, and that is to make business for its great system of railways. It is only in the smelting business temporarily. When the industry is on a firm basis and its kindred business, the manufacturing of Canadian lead products out of Canadian lead, is firmly established, it is sure that it will retire with honor from the smelting business, for the reason that the object sought when it embarked in the industry will have been accomplished.

Work on the Commander. The work of pumping out the shaft of the Commander has been commenced, and by Monday it will be clear of water. As soon as the shaft is pumped out 18 men will be put to work. There is plenty of money in the treasury and the work of development will be kept up continuously until the desired result of making the Commander a mine is attained. There is a plant consisting of a pump, a 40-horse power hoist, a 4-inch drill air compressor on the property. Considerable development work has been done and the workings are to be deepened. Senator George Turner, W. D. Harris and W. W. D. Turner and others who are prominent in the Le Roi mine, are the principal owners. In fact, these parties control all but 90,000 shares out of a total of 500,000 shares. The intention is to change the incorporation from a foreign to a domestic corporation. The stamp tax levied by the United States to pay the expenses of the war and other inconveniences make such a move desirable.

Three-Story Building. J. H. Bowes, barrister and solicitor, has returned to Nelson after a short stay in the city. Mr. Bowes is a large holder of Rossland real estate. While here he decided to erect a handsome three-story frame building on his lots on Columbia avenue, near Spokane street, now occupied by Robbins & Long and C. O. Lalonde.

THE WINNIPEG TRIBUNE accuses the C. P. R. of pursuing Joseph Martin like a sleuth hound in his political career in this Province. The general supposition in British Columbia is that "Fighting Joe" draws a fat annuity from the great railway company.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

By the appointment of Mr. Justice McColl to the chief justiceship of British Columbia a puisne judgeship has been made vacant. In appointing a successor to the position formerly held by Judge McColl it is hoped that the Dominion government will take into consideration the large and constantly increasing volume of legal business in the Kootenays and arrange for the residence of a puisne judge in this district.

I use every possible means to tell others of Faine's Celery Compound, and will always recommend it to those troubled with rheumatism. Yours very truly, Wm. Morrison, Roxton Pond, P. Q.

No matter what leaders may do, they cannot permanently alter the laws of gravitation, which makes strength tend upward and mere sickness tend downward.

The C. P. R. telegraph line went down west of Revelstoke last night and shut off telegraphic communication with Vancouver, preventing THE MINER from obtaining the result of the Semlin-Ootton-Martin convention. It is, therefore, impossible to state at this writing whether or not Joseph Martin has succeeded in ousting Mr. Semlin from the leadership of the party and obtaining the position for himself.

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association hereafter will publish a bulletin, monthly or oftener, for distribution amongst its members. The object is to keep them informed of trade opportunities in other parts of the world. The initial number contains statistical information concerning Canadian industries and exports; trade with the United States; a summary of the conditions attaching to the preferential tariff, and notices of trade openings in South Africa, Russia, Guatemala, Spain, Italy, France and the Philippines. Such a publication can be made of great value to manufacturers, and by the information it imparts as to openings for trade, be a means of extending the operations of our industries.

The dispatches this morning announce that Santiago is to be Americanized by the introduction of letter boxes and house delivery of letters. The dispatch adds that the merchants there are greatly pleased, and the desire is general for the establishment of the American system of doing business. The next thing that we will hear will probably be that bull fighting has been abolished and that the Santiago Athletic club has offered a purse of 20,000 pesetas for a "go" between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. This would simply mark another step in the evolution of Santiago from Spanish to American civilization.

IT WAS A PORCUPINE.

The Boys Used It to Play a Joke on Phil McDonald. Phil McDonald's many friends have been wondering why he always sits in a cushioned chair since his return from the Duncan river, where he has been for some time superintending work on the trails, says the Kaslo Sun. Phil arrived in the city on the 11th and previous to that some of the boys had caught a healthy porcupine, well supplied with quills, wandering about the lower part of town. To have a joke on Phil they placed the animal in his room. That night Phil retired and slept the sleep of the just, but next morning the trouble began. Arising from his bed he hastily pulled on his trousers and dropped into a chair. For a moment he thought he had been attacked by a regiment of Spanish soldiers, who were all sticking bayonets into him at once. He let out a yell which brought the city fire department to the scene and caused Chief Adams to quicken his pace so as to get to the cause of the commotion. Willing hands soon removed the trousers and with a pair of heavy tongs the clinging varment was yanked from his tender flesh. A pair of pinners used diligently for half an hour removed the remaining quills and Mr. McDonald was ready to take his breakfast standing up. Since that time a sympathetic friend secured the porcupine with a pair of scissors, and the animal was turned over to Arthur Goodenough with which to start a zoological garden.

Work on the Commander. The work of pumping out the shaft of the Commander has been commenced, and by Monday it will be clear of water. As soon as the shaft is pumped out 18 men will be put to work. There is plenty of money in the treasury and the work of development will be kept up continuously until the desired result of making the Commander a mine is attained. There is a plant consisting of a pump, a 40-horse power hoist, a 4-inch drill air compressor on the property. Considerable development work has been done and the workings are to be deepened. Senator George Turner, W. D. Harris and W. W. D. Turner and others who are prominent in the Le Roi mine, are the principal owners. In fact, these parties control all but 90,000 shares out of a total of 500,000 shares. The intention is to change the incorporation from a foreign to a domestic corporation. The stamp tax levied by the United States to pay the expenses of the war and other inconveniences make such a move desirable.

Notice to Shareholders. Take notice that there will be a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Good Hope Mining & Milling Company, limited liability, at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Friday, the 9th of September, next, at 5 p. m., for the purpose of authorizing the disposal of any or all of the company's assets and for such other business as may come before the meeting. EDWARD BAILLIE, Secretary of the Good Hope Mining and Milling Company, Rossland, Aug. 15, 1898.

Red Mountain View Gold Mining Company, Ltd. Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Red Mountain View Gold Mining Company, Ltd. will be held at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Saturday the 10th day of September, 1898, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of (1) election of directors; (2) inquiring into and passing upon accounts and confirming the acts of the outgoing directors during their term of office; (3) to consider and determine upon means of obtaining working capital; (4) to consider, and if deemed advisable, assets, rights, powers, franchises and privileges of the company to such person or company and upon such terms and conditions as the shareholders may deem advisable, and to accept in shares in another company, either assessable or fully paid up, or to accept in consideration both cash and shares partly paid up and partly assessable; (5) and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting. D. D. LINNARD, Secy.-Treas.

Wells & Richardson Co. GENTLEMEN—Having been given up to die some time ago by one of the best doctors of the United States, I came to Canada last autumn terribly ill, and had lost all hope. Suffering agonies from inflammatory rheumatism, I was strongly urged to use Faine's Celery Compound. I gave it a trial as recommended, and the first bottle did me so much good I continued with the medicine until I had used seven bottles, when I found myself perfectly cured; indeed, I never felt better in all my life than at present. I use every possible means to tell others of Faine's Celery Compound, and will always recommend it to those troubled with rheumatism. Yours very truly, Wm. Morrison, Roxton Pond, P. Q.

Certificate of Improvements.

Bannock Red Top and Ethel mineral claims situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About five miles east of the Columbia river on the north-west fork of Bear creek. Take notice that J. P. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for Anthony J. McMillan, Esq., free miner's certificate No. 13,189A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. F. A. WILKIN, 8-11-100. Dated this 24th day of August, 1898.

Certificate of Improvements.

No. 1 Le Blanc group, No. 2 Le Blanc group, No. 3 Le Blanc group, Drill and Northern Light mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About six miles east of the Columbia river on the divide between Champion and Bear creeks. Take notice that J. P. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for Anthony J. McMillan, Esq., free miner's certificate No. 13,189A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. F. A. WILKIN, 8-11-100. Dated this 24th day of August, 1898.

Certificate of Improvements.

East Columbia Mountain, Fraction, Banner Hill Fraction and North Columbia Fraction mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Columbia mountain, about 1 1/2 miles northeast from Rossland. Take notice that I, William Hart-McHarg, acting as agent for the British Columbia (Rossland and slocan) Syndicate, Limited, free miner's certificate No. 13,186A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. W. HART-MCHARG, 8-11-100. Dated this 4th day of August, A. D. 1898.

Certificate of Improvements.

Tootsie mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Sophie mountain, adjoining the Velvet mineral claim. Lot 3,375 Gt. Take notice that I, R. E. Palmer, P. L. S., acting as agent for the British America corporation, limited, free miner's certificate No. 13,146A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. R. E. PALMER, P. L. S., 7-21-100. Dated this 21st day of July, 1898.

Certificate of Improvements.

Whoop-Up mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Sophie mountain, adjoining the Velvet mineral claim. Lot 3,374 Gt. Take notice that I, R. E. Palmer, P. L. S., acting as agent for the British America corporation, limited, free miner's certificate No. 13,146A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. R. E. PALMER, P. L. S., 7-21-100. Dated this 21st day of July, 1898.

Certificate of Improvements.

Annie Fractional mineral claim, situate in Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: East of and adjoining the Annie and south of and adjoining the No. 1 mineral claims. Take notice that I, Samuel L. Long, acting as agent for the British America corporation, limited, free miner's certificate 13,166A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. SAMUEL L. LONG, P. L. S., 7-14-100. Dated this 14th day of July, 1898.

Certificate of Improvements.

Frankie H. and Fred E. mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the south slope of Columbia mountain. Take notice that I, Samuel L. Long, acting as agent for Thomas E. Haley, certificate No. 9509, and Fred Barker, free miner's certificate No. 13,987A, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. SAMUEL L. LONG, 8-4-100. Dated this 4th day of August, 1898.

Novelty Gold Mining Company, (Foreign.)

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Novelty Gold Mining Company, (Foreign) will be held in the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Monday, the 6th day of September, A. D. 1898, at the hour of 4 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering, and if deemed advisable, disposing of the whole or any part of the assets, rights, powers, franchises and privileges of the company to such person or company, and upon such terms or conditions as the shareholders may deem advisable, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting. CHAS. LITFCHILD, Secretary. Dated this first day of August, 1898. 2-11

Notice to Shareholders.

Take notice that there will be a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Good Hope Mining & Milling Company, limited liability, at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Friday, the 9th of September, next, at 5 p. m., for the purpose of authorizing the disposal of any or all of the company's assets and for such other business as may come before the meeting. EDWARD BAILLIE, Secretary of the Good Hope Mining and Milling Company, Rossland, Aug. 15, 1898.

Red Mountain View Gold Mining Company, Ltd.

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Red Mountain View Gold Mining Company, Ltd. will be held at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Saturday the 10th day of September, 1898, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of (1) election of directors; (2) inquiring into and passing upon accounts and confirming the acts of the outgoing directors during their term of office; (3) to consider and determine upon means of obtaining working capital; (4) to consider, and if deemed advisable, assets, rights, powers, franchises and privileges of the company to such person or company and upon such terms and conditions as the shareholders may deem advisable, and to accept in shares in another company, either assessable or fully paid up, or to accept in consideration both cash and shares partly paid up and partly assessable; (5) and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting. D. D. LINNARD, Secy.-Treas.

Miss Anna Blackwood of Portland, Or., is visiting her friend Miss Aldrich. Miss Blackwood is one of the brightest young ladies of Portland and an excellent musician.

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