



THE MINING REVIEW

The Number of Workers Will Be Increased.

HE WANTS MORE MINES

As After the Poorman, and West Le Roi & Josie—Iron Mask to Be Allowed to Resume Work in the Disputed Ground—Work of the Week.

[From Sunday's Daily.] The arrival of the Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, the Canadian director of the British American corporation, has lived the camp considerably. Mr. Mackintosh has not given out any announcement of his plans, but it seems certain that a big increase in the number of working mines and of the number of men employed can be surely anticipated.

In addition to the purchases already made by the B. A. C. the company is acquiring a control in the Poorman, and a deal for the purchase of the West Le Roi & Josie is maturing.

A private telegram received last night from Victoria announces that in the case of the Centre Star vs. the Iron Mask, the latter had been allowed the right of working in any part of its ground.

The shipments for last week were as follows: Le Roi, 1,380; W. Eagle, 80; Iron Mask, 95; Centre Star, 15; total, 1,570.

The Iron Mask. The strike recently made in the latter drift from the main tunnel is showing up better than ever. The drift now shows it to contain five feet of good shipping ore, and the pay-streak is widening. The drifts from the bottom of the main shaft are being continued in each direction in a large body of low grade ore.

Work is continuing in the low grade ore, and in the big slope in the tunnel level. The ore shipments last week amounted to 95 tons. The property is now employing 35 men. J. T. Martin, the night boss, is in charge of the mine in the absence of the superintendent, Samuel F. Hall.

The Josie. The Josie is now fully in the hands of the Mackintosh syndicate, but it is not announced when operations on a large scale will be commenced. At present one drill is being worked in the east drift at the 300-foot level. It is showing up some 18 inches of good copper ore, though the ledge has not yet fully recovered from the effect of the granite slip that cut it in the neighborhood of the shaft. Work is suspended in the tunnel until operations are commenced under the new management.

The Abe Lincoln. The shaft is down 90 feet. The formation of conglomerate which had been met for several feet gave way last week to the original ledge matter impregnated with copper ore.

Some fine specimens of ore now being met in on display in the mixer window. An eight-inch streak has been met, carrying rock estimated to run from \$40 to \$50, with a high valuation in copper.

The I. X. L. Overtures have been made by the management of the I. X. L. company to have some 300 or 400 tons of ore now lying on the dump treated at the O. K. mill. In case the liquidator, Richard Plewman, secures judicial assent to operate the mill for customs purposes, this ore will be reduced as desired.

The Le Roi. The shaft, which is being extended to the 700-foot level, is down about 645 feet. The horse in which it was formerly driven has given place to a new one. The 600-foot level continues to show up a fine ore body. The shipments amount to about 200 tons per day, all of which goes to the Northport smelter.

The Syphon. Work on the Syphon, near the Blue Elephant, has been commenced under the supervision of E. W. Liljegan. A surface crosscut has exposed the lead to 30 feet, and the full width of the cropping has not yet been disclosed. Low gold values are being met.

The O. K. Richard Plewman, the liquidator of the O. K. company, has made application to have the judicial headquarters of the company removed from Victoria to Rossland. J. A. Macdonald has been appointed solicitor for the liquidator.

The West Le Roi & Josie. Five men are at work stripping the leads and cleaning out the tunnel preparatory to an examination by the representatives of the British American Corporation, with a view to the purchase of the property.

The Cliff. Some good ore is being met in the stope near the mouth of the upper tunnel, where work is in progress. This is just beside the big bunch of carbonates which went so high when smelted.

The Monte Cristo. Rapid progress is being made on the Monte Cristo development, but there is nothing new to report except that depth is being rapidly attained in the workings.

The Sunset No. 2. About 10 inches of ore is being met in the tunnel. The hoist in the station at the tunnel level, has been completed, and work in the shaft is again under way.

The Deer Park. The shaft is down to the 200-foot level and drifting has been commenced. About six feet of quartz, mixed with iron, is in sight. Good values continue to be received.

The Lily May. Work has been suspended in the 125-foot level, but a shaft has been started to open up the vein at a point to the rear of the tunnel. About six inches of good ore has been met.

The Cozey. The Cozey, owned by the Montreal

Red Mountain Goldfields, is being vigorously developed, but the tunnel has not yet struck the ledge.

The Velvet. Drifting along the ledge of the Velvet at the 100-foot level continues to show up a fine body of rich copper ore.

The Jumbo. Operations in the lower tunnel are being continued in the ledge, which was recently crosscut. A big body of low grade ore is being met.

The Evening Star. Work has been suspended pending an examination of the property. The Mackintosh syndicate is credited with being after the claim.

The Santa Rosa. The main tunnel has penetrated a blind ledge for a distance of eight feet. The ore, which is of low grade, is chiefly a white iron formation.

The Colonna. The work of development has made good progress during the week and there is nothing unusual to chronicle.

The Virginia. Good progress was made on the double compartment perpendicular shaft that is being sunk on this property.

The Iron Colt. Operations are being continued in the long crosscut tunnel of the Iron Colt. There are no recent changes.

The Poorman. Stopping is being prosecuted in the upper stope. A large quantity of ore is accumulating.

The Mountain View. Work is continuing in the lower tunnel. Low grade ore is being met.

The Centre Star. Shipments last week amounted to 15 tons. Work continues in the tunnel.

The Umatilla Group. Work continues sinking the shaft.

The Crown Point. The upraise is being continued. No ore is being met.

A MINERAL WATER DEAL. Sharp Yankees Get Around the Dingley Tariff Act.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 15.—The Washington correspondent of the Evening News sends the following story to his paper today. As an instance of the ease with which sharp men can avoid the high rates of duty imposed by the Dingley bill, when they desire so to do, it is related that a number of wealthy gentlemen in Boston some time ago purchased a mineral spring in Canada. They intended to ship the water to this country, under provisions of the tariff law which imposed a mere nominal tax on mineral water. The Dingley law soon after went into effect with a 24 cents per gallon duty on all imported water, which amounted almost or quite equal to a prohibitory tax.

The mineral water syndicate decided that their investment was a losing one and that the project must be abandoned, but as a last resort consulted a lawyer and asked him to get them out of their scrape. He directed them to freeze a quantity of the water and seal it in their property were changed by the process. When it was ascertained that the freezing had no bad effect on the water, the lawyer said: "Then you need have no further trouble about the tariff. Simply freeze the water in Canada and import it into this country as ice. There is no duty on ice."

It is a fact the Dingley law retains ice on the free list, and so the syndicate ships its mineral water across the border in locked casks, at the lowest freight rates, and at the same time avoiding the use of casks that cost \$4 each, and besides they thus save 24 cents on every gallon.

True Witness on Encyclical. MONTREAL, Jan. 15.—The True Witness, in referring to the papal encyclical, says: "What will be the effect of the holy father's encyclical we cannot doubt; it will result in solidifying the ranks of the Catholics in Canada so that it will cause them to unite in demand and insisting upon their rights, whether in Manitoba or Ontario. It will fire them to a determination that their rights, which they themselves accord the Protestant minority in Quebec, shall also be accorded to the Catholic minority in the other provinces. Some weak-kneed, pusillanimous Catholics may object that circumstances stand in the way, that we ought to temporize, to compromise, to tolerate and so forth. We have had enough of that invertebrate sort of policy. What has it done for us? It has caused us to be driven back for years. We demand our rights and we must have them."

His Promotion Blocked. MONTREAL, Jan. 15.—Major Ibbotson is now in command of the Royal Scots, but still a report from Ottawa says, he cannot be gazetted lieutenant-colonel because he has no equitation certificate. By a general order issued last spring the field officers then holding commissions were given till July next to secure equitation certificate, but in cases of promotion it was provided that a candidate must previously have taken a certificate. Major Ibbotson has not yet qualified, and hence his promotion is blocked. Curiously enough no one else in the regiment has a certificate, or the question of appointing such one might arise. As it is unless Major Ibbotson qualifies by July 1st he, too, will be gazetted, but with the retired rank of Major.

Ottawa Board of Trade Affairs. MONTREAL, Jan. 15.—All the officers of the board of trade were elected by acclamation last night, as follows: President, James Crathern; vice-president, Charles Smith; second vice-president, Robert McKay; treasurer, Henry Miles. Mr. Crathern, the new president, is a well known hardware merchant, and has been prominently identified with Montreal commercial life for many years.

A FEAST OF REASON

The Wallace Smoker Was an Enjoyable Affair.

MUSIC, MIRTH AND SONG

The Mayor-Elect Told Pleasant Stories and Said the Reason For Mr. Scott's Withdrawal Was Because He Realized That He Would Be Beaten.

The smoker given at the Pacific hotel Thursday by H. S. Wallace, the successful candidate for mayor, taxed even the capacity of the Pacific's commodious hall. Hundreds of Mr. Wallace's political friends in the late campaign were present, as were also numerous opponents in the contest just closed, but all joined heartily in wishing the victorious contestant a prosperous and successful administration in the coming year.

J. B. Johnson, who was Mr. Wallace's chief assistant in the late campaign, presided, and he saw that every one present had an enjoyable evening. It was an informal affair and there was little attempt at a stilted program. The crowd called on whomsoever it knew to be able to perform.

The numbers included a long array of songs, speeches, recitations and instrumental selections. A feature was the stump speech given by Alexander Wilson, which created a pleasant speech.

"We have not come here to listen to a political discussion," said Mr. Wallace, "but to have a general good time and to celebrate our too easily won victory. The committee who had the preparation in hand told me that I would be called on for an address, but neglected to say what subject I was expected to take up, so that I know you will be glad, as I am, that I am not going to bore you with a so-called speech."

I wish to take this opportunity of again thanking the earnest workers who were so important a factor in our political success, for I believe that, in a large measure, it was their valour and the excellent organization of our committee, and realized that through their indomitable energy defeat was for him a certainty, and that in his case "discretion was the better part of valour." He remembered the timeworn adage that "he who fights and runs away may live to fight another day, but he who in the fight is slain will never live to fight again." However, I think in this case our opponent is politically dead. It reminds me of an anecdote that I read in Current Literature last night. A stranger passing a country churchyard saw the sexton digging a grave. "Who's the dead one?" he called out. "Old Squire Bumbleton," he said the sexton. "What complaint?" inquired the stranger. The sexton kept on digging and without looking up said: "No complaint; everybody's satisfied. I think we're all satisfied as to the issue of this campaign. We expected a big fight and were thoroughly prepared for it. We knew we'd win, but we feared that packed voters' list, and like the trapper in his prayer, we felt like invoking some extraneous assistance."

"The trapper, as some of you may remember, had been hunting without success for some hours and feeling the pangs of hunger, laid his gun against a tree and sat him down on a neighboring log to enjoy his repast. He had just about completed his meal, when hearing about the noise he looked up and to his horror saw a huge bear standing between himself and his gun. A shiver of fear ran down his spine and the cold beads of perspiration bedewed his brow; he had only a cleaver knife with him to meet the enemy. He thought of the days when he had prayed at his mother's knee, and that while he had grown rusty in devotional exercises, the present was a time when he would need the help of a number of angels in solid form. He began: "Oh, Lord, I am not one of those sons of guns always asking favors, but I am in a hard box now, and I wish you would help me to lick this bear. If you won't help me, don't help the bear. If you stand by and you'll see one of the goll darndest fights you ever saw in your life!"

"That, gentlemen, is how we felt in this campaign. We knew that with all our weapons we could easily win, but we feared that as in the case of the bear, the enemy might, with the assistance of the voters' list, get between us and our gun."

The program included the following: Piano solo..... Mr. Marshall. Remarks..... J. B. Johnson, chairman. Song..... A. M. Whitehead. Song..... M. Brown. Song..... H. S. Wallace. Song..... C. O. Lalande. Song..... Mr. Williams. Concertina solo..... Mr. Foxworth. Song..... Mr. Townsend. Song..... H. E. D. Merry. Violin solo..... Mr. Fort. Harp stump speech..... A. Wilson.

C. H. MACKINTOSH HERE. His Mission Is to Start Work on His Several Properties.

The Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, the Canadian director of the British American Corporation, came in from the Coast Thursday evening. He was accompanied by Hector McKee, General Chas. S. Warren and J. W. McCraney. The party is stopping at the Allan. Mr. Mackintosh is here to make arrangements for the starting up of work on a number of properties which the British American syndicate has acquired. Mr. Mackintosh came here direct from Vancouver, where he was engaged in looking after the Yukon department of the company's business. He was very tired from his trip and retired early.

THE \$65,000 BYLAW. It Was Passed Thursday By a Practically Unanimous Vote.

The \$65,000 bond bylaw was carried by practically a unanimous vote at the election Thursday. The vote was: For, 149; against, 8. Total, 157. The election passed off very quietly, and there was nothing unusual to indicate that polling was in progress. It was gener-

ally conceded that the bylaw would carry. W. McQueen, city clerk, was returning officer, assisted by deputies as follows: First ward, W. B. Townsend; second ward, R. A. Macdonald; third ward, A. E. Denison. The vote by wards was as follows: First ward—For, 45; against, 4. Total, 49.

Second ward—For, 41; against, 2. Total, 43. Third ward—For, 63; against, 2. Total, 65.

No vote was taken for the councilmen and the mayor. The following ticket was elected by acclamation at the hustings, and no election was necessary: Mayor, H. S. Wallace.

Aldermen, First ward, C. O. Lalande, A. S. Goodeve. Aldermen, Second ward, Ross Thompson, Albert Barrett. Aldermen, Third ward, J. S. Clute, Jr., John Edgren.

BY ACCLAMATION. Sandon's First Officers Were Selected Yesterday—A Good Showing.

SANDON, B. C., Jan. 15.—The first government of the new city of Sandon was elected today by acclamation. It is as follows: E. R. Atherton, mayor; A. Crawford, C. D. Hunter, R. J. Broddy, S. J. Mighton, Robert Cunning and John W. Switzer, aldermen.

The Mining Review prints a statement of the first year's work and gives the ore shipments as 24,789½ tons with the following in the lead: Payne, 9,233 tons; Ruth, 3,236 tons; Star, 4,202 tons; Reco, 1,388 tons. The amount expended in building during the year is placed at \$187,470. The number of men employed in the mines is between 1,000 and 1,100.

Eighteen mines are mentioned as dividend payers. Owing to a breakdown in the Payne machinery the mine will be closed down for a few days.

Johnston & Haines, hardware merchants, have made an assignment to E. M. Sandilands, for benefit of their creditors.

Block Strikes Near Kaslo. KASLO, Jan. 15.—[Special.]—Word was received in the city of an extraordinary strike in the Charleston group, about one and one-half miles from the famous Whitewater mine. Three feet six inches of 720-ounce ore was uncovered. The property is owned by J. E. Mitchell and Winnipeg parties.

Work on the Isis, near the Lucky Jim, from which assays were secured last summer, also developed a new find, a fine looking body of ore in the lower tunnel having been encountered.

A Street Brawl. GRAND FORKS, Jan. 12.—[Special.]—A street brawl occurred here today between Frederick Wollaston, provincial land surveyor, and Maurice O'Connor. The row commenced over an argument on the municipal election and ended in a fight, Wollaston getting the worst of it. O'Connor landing several hard blows on his antagonist's neck and face and eventually knocking Wollaston down and punishing him severely on the sidewalk. The fight was stopped by the arrival of the city constable, O'Connor in the party, who some 18 months ago, was mixed up in a stabbing affray on the Dewdney trail with a man named Langtry. Warrants have been issued for the arrest of the combatants.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. A Misquotation Corrected. ROSSLAND, Jan. 14. EDITOR MINER—Sir: In our stock list, which appeared in THE WEEKLY MINER of January 13, inst., we quoted the sale of the Salmo Consolidated Gold Mining company, limited, for sale at 7½ cents. This was a misquotation. We were under the impression at the time of giving the quotation that we had a block of Salmo Consolidated for sale at that price; but subsequently discovered that we had made a mistake in the matter. We understand that stock has never been offered by this company under 10 cents. This being the case, we regret having by inadvertence offered this stock under the company's price, and trust that our quotation will not, for the time being, be in any way detrimental to such company in the sale of its stock. Thanking you in anticipation for space, we are, yours truly,

KENNEDY BROS. & FRIGOLD. Following is the letter from M. E. Dempster & Co., which brought the above reply: EDITOR MINER—Sir: Noticing, with some consternation, a quotation in your weekly issue of yesterday, under the heading of "Salmo Consolidated," we desired to state that we had immediately interviewed the firm in whose advertisement this appeared and requested an explanation for this reason, that being in the position to know, we were aware that only by a very slim chance, viz: the sale at a loss of 25 per cent by some eastern purchaser, could this figure be verified. We found as we surmised, that the stock could not be delivered. Permit us to point out in question may do both the company and ourselves incalculable harm as to eastern and English purchasers, we have vouched for the fact that this stock cannot be purchased for less than the market price of 10 cents a share. While we have every desire to act harmoniously with other brokers, we deprecate most strenuously this practice of under-quoting, be it by accident or design. Thanking you for the space you have accorded us, we are, yours truly, M. E. DEMPSTER & CO. Rossland, Jan. 13, 1898.

Trail Notes. TRAIL, Jan. 14.—[Special.]—Angus Beaton, who holds numerous mining interests around here, has gone to the Klondike.

The Knights of Pythias had a public installation of officers last evening. It was followed by a dance at Brown's hall, which was largely attended.

Walter Nicholls, weigh master of the smelter, gave a pleasant little dinner party to a few friends at the Allan last evening in honor of his birthday.

A Brick Account. F. Schofield, the deputy registrar of the supreme court, was engaged Friday as referee for hearing the case of Pierson vs. the B. C. S. & R. Co. for an alleged account of \$600 due on the office of bricks. The case was heard in the offices of Hamilton & Daly. Mr. Schofield has not yet compiled his official findings.

Confidence Is Returning...

And many of the most conservative and successful business men in Europe and America are now investing their surplus capital in the mining industry of the Kootenay country. These men recognize the fact that for the amount of capital required, mining offers the best investment in the world.

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RED EAGLE

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STOCK IS

The War Eagle

J. W. Boyd, who has the assets of the Red Eagle's sale, expected York early next week, connected with the Mining company.

Mr. Boyd was seen Friday night ready made to protect the company after the Red Eagle.

"If I could have the stock," said he, "I would be willing to transfer it to the company, but in the event of the stock being sold, I should be glad to discover where the 500,000 of which the stock and the promoters' stock was sold, and to see the shareholders in the list of the Quebec."

"I expect to leave day or Wednesday Toronto, at the 28th and 29th inst. I shall be very glad to see the stockholders who may care to deal with me. I shall be in the city on the 1st of February, and will meet the Quebec."

Annual Meeting of the Le Roi Mining & Development Company. The annual meeting of the Le Roi Mining & Development Company was held at Spokane on the 13th inst. The principal feature of the meeting was the election of officers. The changes are that Charles F. Williams in place of J. M. Armstrong became president. Col. E. H. Hall was elected vice-president. Mr. W. W. D. Henley, secretary, and J. N. P. Edwards, treasurer.

Board of directors of the Le Roi Mining & Development Company. The board of directors of the Le Roi Mining & Development Company was organized on the 13th inst. The members are: J. M. Armstrong, president; Charles F. Williams, vice-president; Col. E. H. Hall, secretary; J. N. P. Edwards, treasurer; and J. W. Boyd, auditor.

Progress of the Le Roi Mining & Development Company. The progress of the Le Roi Mining & Development Company is being reported on by the board of directors. It is stated that the company has made considerable progress in the development of its mines, and that it is expected to begin operations in the near future.

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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Following are the ore shipments from the mines adjacent to Rossland since Jan. 1, 1897:

Table with columns: MINE, Jan. 1, 1897, Jan. 1, 1898, Jan. 1, 1899. Rows include Le Roi, War Eagle, Columbia & Kootenay, Iron Mask, Jumbo, Joe, Cliff, Centre Star, Red Mountain, O. K., Evening Star, Giant, I. X. L., Velvet, Little Joe, Poorman, Lily May, Total.

The ore shipments for the seven days from Jan. 9 to Jan. 15, inclusive, were as follows: Le Roi, 1,380; War Eagle, 80; Centre Star, 15; Iron Mask, 92; Total, 1,570.

NEW OPPOSITION LEADERS.

The Opposition is preparing to put some strong candidates in the field next June. Chief among these are, it is said, E. V. Bodwell, E. C. Davies, Q. C., and J. C. Brown, all of whom are Liberals. Mr. Bodwell enjoys the reputation of being one of the very foremost lights of the British Columbia bar. So far as is known, he has never been a candidate for public office, though he has all his life taken a keen interest in politics. He gained an international reputation for the ability he displayed in handling the claims of British Columbia sealers, before the joint commission made up of representatives of Great Britain and the United States. He is very popular and is highly respected in Victoria, where he resides, and where, if he becomes a candidate for the legislative assembly, he will stand for election.

Mr. Davies is also a very prominent lawyer, having been engaged in some of the most important law suits that have ever been heard in this Province. He is a partner in the law firm of Davies, Marshall, Macneil & Abbott, which has offices in Vancouver and Rossland. Mr. Davies resides in Vancouver, an Opposition stronghold, and would undoubtedly be elected to the legislature if he becomes a candidate at the approaching election.

Mr. J. C. Brown is postmaster at New Westminster, and is well known in local politics, having previously represented in the legislature the district in which he resides. He was one of the ablest debaters ever heard in the House, and was decried by Ex-Premier Theodore Davie more than any other man in the Opposition. There is a story to the effect that at the last Provincial election the government brought considerable pressure to bear on the then Conservative Dominion Government to induce Mr. Brown to retire from local politics. Be that as it may, the most popular orator of the Fraser valley was not a candidate for re-election in 1894. Since then, however, the Liberals have come into power, and the Conservative Government at Victoria is no longer able to threaten Mr. Brown with the loss of his position as postmaster, in order to keep him in the background in British Columbia politics.

A GROWING TRADE.

Canada's foreign trade is beginning to assume large proportions, and the more it is fostered and encouraged the greater will be the wealth of the country. The imports for the year 1896 aggregated \$110,587,480, while the exports for the same period were valued at \$121,013,852. From this it will be seen that the balance of trade was largely in our favor. That is to say, the exports were \$10,426,372 more than the imports. The figures have not been compiled for the year that has just closed, but it is safe to say that the balance of trade in favor of Canada was twice as great as it was in any previous year, for the reason that the crops were unusually large and the prices of all sorts of products higher than usual. This was particularly the case with breadstuffs, of which there was a shortage in Europe and of which we raised a large quantity, so that the surplus for export was greater than usual. There are several great markets at present for the products of Canada. These are Great Britain, the Orient, the United States, the West Indies and Australia. The two former are now coming into prominence. The Orient is of late drawing on Canada for large quantities of her products. This is shown by the fact that in the year 1897 the exports from the ports of British Columbia aggregated

\$14,184,708, much of which went to China and Japan. Australia also draws on British Columbia to a large extent in the way of lumber and other products. Great Britain is the largest customer that Canada has. Trade with Great Britain will be greatly increased after next summer when the preferential clauses of the Canadian customs laws go into effect, as it is anticipated that the putting into force of this law will have a stimulating effect on the trade between the oldest daughter and the mother country.

Canada is not fully satisfied, however, with the trade that she is enjoying, and like other commercial countries, is seeking new fields to conquer. In the pursuit of this aim she recently dispatched E. E. Sheppard to Central and South America to see if better trade relations could not be established with those countries. Mr. Sheppard, after spending several months in the southern countries, is now on his way home. A few evenings since he appeared before the Board of Trade of Vancouver, and in a speech he gave the members of that body some of the valuable results of his visit.

It was the opinion of Mr. Sheppard that the South Americans consume a great deal of fish, and an immense trade could be built up there in that line. He thought, too, that British Columbia could establish quite a large trade in lumber. The California Pine trust controls the trade on the Pacific side of South America. The lumbermen of the Province should organize and get their share of the trade, he said. Some of the timber produced in Canada is sold there, but the Dominion is not known to be the producer of it. As far as he could learn, Canadian goods were not low enough to compete with those of other countries. He, however, advised his auditors to mark their wares down 5 per cent. It was his contention that on papers, mowers and wood working tools Canada could compete with the world, but outside of these, the prices of manufactured goods are such that they cannot be put in competition with like products from other countries. The problem for Canada to consider is whether she can protect her manufacturers, who are selling goods higher at home than foreign manufacturers can put them in at. He was certain that Canada can compete with the world so far as lumber and fish are concerned.

He also stated that he did not meet the agents of the British Columbia firms in Chili, and said if the merchants of this section are to sit idly by and allow their competitors in the United States and elsewhere to capture all this South American trade, they alone were responsible. He advised that they send representatives into the countries to the south where the products of the Dominion can be disposed of, and said he was certain that soon there would be good returns result from such enterprise.

The advice given by Mr. Sheppard is of the right kind. If Canada desires trade with the South and Central American republics she must send agents into the several countries to secure it. The citizens of these countries are not the most energetic in the world, but there are certain commodities that are grown in the temperate zone that they must have, and they will buy these from whoever is at their elbow who will sell them the cheapest. Let the first effort be to sell them fish and lumber. This would be the entering wedge, and in return coffee, sugar, tropical fruits and spices could be brought back. Once a trade in these commodities is established then the manufactured products and the agricultural produce could be sent thither and a trade built up in them also. There ought to be a demand for our canned goods in these countries. A large proportion of the trade naturally belongs to Canada and all that is necessary to secure it is the expenditure of a little energy. The Government as well as the individual should do everything in their power to foster this trade, for the reason that no country in this day and generation that is simply pastoral, and whose principal resources are the raw products raised, can expect to take a very high place among the nations of the earth. It is only when countries begin to manufacture and to reach out for foreign trade, as Canada is now doing, that they begin to assume importance in the eyes of mankind.

While looking at the importance of foreign trade, eight must not be lost of the inland trade or the business which naturally takes place between the Provinces. It has been estimated that this trade in 1894 amounted to \$113,000,000. Since then the great mineral discoveries in Northern and Northwestern Ontario, and in the Northwest Territories in the new Eldorado about Dawson City, and in British Columbia, which is the most important of all, have added greatly to the domestic trade, until it has nearly doubled since the estimate was made in 1894. It is certain, too, that the great output from these mines, which will find its way into all the channels of trade, will play no small part in the upbuilding of the foreign trade and manufactures of Canada.

TOLL ROADS.

In their laudable desire to develop the mineral resources in the vicinity of Slokan Creek, the enterprising residents of that thriving community have commenced an agitation for the construction of wagon roads to the principal mines at the foot of Slokan lake. It seems that a wagon road is particularly needed from

the mouth to the headwaters of Springer creek, where there is a rich and extensive mineral belt, and where there are several shipping mines. At present the ore from this district is transported to Slokan City by pack trains and rawhiding, and the expense thus entailed is consequently heavy. The miners and merchants of the division will probably build a toll road over the ground referred to unless the Provincial government furnishes the necessary aid.

This is a highly creditable display of public spirit, but it is to be hoped that a sufficient appropriation will be made at the next session of the legislature for all roads, trails, etc., that may be required in West Kootenay for the ensuing twelve months. In any event it would be desirable if the practice of establishing toll roads in a country like this should ever come into vogue. The struggling miner already has a large enough burden to bear in the way of taxation. To force him to pay tolls for developing the district would be the rankest injustice. We believe, however, that the Government will liberally attend to the needs of this district at the coming session, and that the good people of Slokan City and other places in West Kootenay will not have to resort to building toll roads.

ANOTHER GOLD RECEPTION.

The independent electors of Vancouver have emphatically "turned down" the politicians who are interested in the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern chartering scheme. Municipal candidates opposed to the V. V. & E. crowd were put up, who gave Mr. Templeton and Rev. Mr. Maxwell, M. P., a terrible drubbing. Even the News-Advertiser, which belongs to the same Provincial political party as Templeton and Maxwell, did not hesitate to unmercifully score those two worthies. Templeton was mayor of Vancouver during the year 1897, and was elected then by a large majority. He has, however, lost the confidence of the people of the Terminal city, for last Thursday, he was as badly beaten as he was formerly successful. The News-Advertiser refers editorially to Rev. Mr. Maxwell as follows: "His coarse and vulgar attacks on Alderman Townley; his arrogating to himself an authority and influence to which he had not the slightest pretensions, disgusted every decent citizen and turned many a candidate whose cause was advocated in such a manner."

It is to be hoped that the rebuff that the V. V. & E. chartermongers have received on the public or their representatives—in Ottawa, Rossland and Vancouver—will have the effect of forever subduing them in political and railway circles.

A STOCK EXCHANGE.

A subscriber to THE MINER writes from Quebec concerning a stock exchange in Rossland, and states that large quantities of stock had been purchased in that city. A year since, when they invested, it was the opinion of the people there that there would be a stock exchange here; that a stock exchange was opened, but unfortunately was closed, and this, he claimed, has had the effect of killing the stock business in Eastern Canada. He claimed that this accounted for the decrease in the stock transactions throughout Canada, and is why so many companies are out of funds with which to carry on development work. This letter was published in this paper on Tuesday of this week.

The Quebec man is evidently ill-informed as to the conditions which prevail here or he would not write in the way that he does. It is true that there was a Rossland stock exchange, and it is so that it was not a profitable investment to those who carried it on. The reason for the closing of the exchange was because this is a selling and not a buying market. When a stock was called in the exchange the brokers would in almost every instance cry "seller," and in some cases nearly every one would have a parcel of each stock to offer for sale. The buyers were very scarce, and the sales small and infrequent. After some two months of this kind of business it was decided to close the exchange. This was about the beginning of the great share slump that occurred, when such an immense number of companies were floated and a prodigious quantity of shares put upon the market, which made the supply larger than the demand. It is certain that had this been a buying instead of a selling market, the stock exchange would still be in existence. As to the stock business being ruined in Eastern Canada, this is an error, for there is an excellent market there at present for Rossland stocks.

The Quebec inquirer says that a stock board should be maintained here, so the right quotations can be had and so that they should not be at the mercy of a broker. The prices of commodities are not made in the place where they are produced. This is fixed in the localities where they are sold to the consumer. It is not Winnipeg, for instance, that fixes the price of wheat, although a large quantity of that commodity is raised in the Province of Manitoba. London, which is the largest customer that the world has for wheat, fixes the prices, and the quotations for wheat all over the world are governed by the quotations from that largest of cities. It is so with the price of shares. The price is fixed in the larger cities where there are plenty of buyers, and of course

it is governed to a large extent by the intrinsic value of the property or properties owned by the companies whose shares are offered for sale. The market for the stocks of the mines around Rossland is not in this city, but rather in the larger cities of Eastern Canada where there are buyers, and hence a stock exchange could better be maintained there than here.

It is probable that when this city is larger and as a result contains more men who have money for speculation and investment, then it will be possible to maintain a stock exchange in which the shares of the entire Kootenay country may be handled. It is certain from the developments that is in progress that such a condition will attain within the next few years, but as matters now stand it is impossible to profitably carry on such an institution.

The brokers of this city are an honest, upright lot of men, who conduct their affairs on legitimate lines. The quotations which they publish in THE MINER are correct. If by an inadvertence a broker publishes a wrong quotation he is soon made aware of the fact by his colleagues and the error is quickly corrected. There is no danger to be feared from misquotation for the reason that during the days of the depression the wildcatting broker saw that his occupation was gone, and he folded up his lying prospectuses and passed out of sight, and those who remained in the business are men of the kind who last in any occupation in which they may embark, for the reason that they are honest. THE MINER publishes each week an honest and impartial review of the stock market, as a perusal of it will show. It is written with the intention of aiding in the upbuilding of the stock business, and is conducted along the fairest of lines. It is run not in the interest of any individual or company, but with a view to helping the town and the Trail Creek division.

In the meantime the brokers of the city are doing a good business with clients in many parts of the world, and they are perfectly willing to go on as at present, to sell stock without the intervention of a stock exchange, and to await the time when such an institution will, in the natural course of events, be a necessity.

A GOOD CITY COUNCIL.

Though the newly elected members of the city council have barely entered upon their term of office, signs are not wanting of their earnest desire to administer the affairs of the municipality in a thoroughly business-like manner. Mayor and aldermen alike seem determined that the city shall be honestly governed, and though they do not intend to pursue a narrow, niggardly policy as regards needed public improvements, there will be no waste of funds. Another noticeable and pleasing feature is the harmony that prevails among the councilmen.

Anxious to do his duty to the city, and to justify the confidence that has been placed in him by the electors, Mayor Wallace is, nevertheless, becomingly unassuming and modest. He recognizes, and very properly, too, that, as president of the council, it would be very ill-becoming on his part to insist on a one-man policy. Rather does he respect and place reliance and confidence in the men who sit with him around the aldermanic board. Mr. Wallace has, however, some clearly defined and sensible ideas regarding what is best in the city's interests, and it is to be hoped that ere long some of these features will be introduced.

It is much the same with the aldermen. Each of them has large business interests in Rossland, and the welfare of the city is, consequently, also theirs. They are successful men in a commercial sense, and may be relied on to pursue the same ideas in the administration of civic affairs as they have in their private business. Being, for the most part, men of long residence in the camp, they are familiar with the needs of the community and may be relied on to advance only measures that are most desirable for the public good. Rossland is indeed fortunate in having such a highly desirable city council.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

The latest issue to hand of the Boundary Creek Times contains a vigorous protest against the looseness and generally unsatisfactory service that the C. P. R. is present furnishing the merchants of the upper Kettle river valley. Says the Times: "Business men have no security that freight will be delivered, and are consequently having their goods routed by the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern. The C. P. R. has no one to blame but its own management if it allows opposition lines to secure the business of Boundary Creek district. The merchant here has turned trade in his direction after receiving poor service, under promise that that service would be improved. There can be no excuse for the vexatious delays of the past two months. The roads for the greater distance have been in excellent condition, and goods should have reached here promptly, but instead of this, goods purchased in Toronto at 90 days have reached Greenwood after payments have been made."

Here we have additional positive proof that Canada's greatest monopoly has no regard for the welfare of the country in which it seeks to do business. It is much easier for the C. P. R. to reach the district referred to than it is for the American transcontinental lines that compete with it for Eastern Canadian

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Forty Feet in Width. All of this is not shipping ore, but that portion which will not ship at a profit will concentrate at a profit. From one three-foot section of this great ledge we have had an

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freight; yet, because of its slothfulness and indifference, it is sending trade to United States railways.

What would be the result if the Canadian Pacific railway should ever get complete control of transportation business of the promising Boundary country? The region lying between the Columbia river and the Okanogan valley needs an independent all-Canadian railway.

AN OBJECT LESSON.

The Mining Review of Sandon contains an interesting article on the ore output of the mines near that town during the past year. The Review says in part: "The figures we have given as Sandon's shipments of ore do not represent the full output, as some of the mines such as the Queen Bess, have sent part of their output through other stations. It is safe to say that taking also into account the amount got out last year and short of 30,000 tons. Here then we have a town with 24 shipping mines in their infancy sending out over \$3,000,000 worth of ore."

We are advised by the best authority we can consult that this ore averages \$100 per ton, the Payne running about that figure and the Reco \$200 per ton, giving us a grand total of \$3,000,000 realized from Sandon's output. Against this the would be about,

freight and treatment, \$500,000; Duty, 300,000; Equipment, 250,000; Wages, \$2,500,000. Total, \$3,050,000 as the net profits for the mines at Sandon. \* \* \* \* \* If we had refineries and mints in the country much of this \$300,000 that goes in duties into the American treasury would be kept at home.

This matter that is worth the attention of the Dominion Government and the Canadian Pacific railway. If the former would encourage local smelters and refineries, and the latter would deliver Slokan ores at reasonable rates to the reduction works already established in the district, and which are anxious to do silver-lead smelting, the problem would, we believe, be quickly solved.

The Newspapers Won the Fight. DENVER, Col., Jan. 19.—The boycott of the newspapers of Denver, begun 10 days ago by the 14 departmental stores, ended last night by the unconditional surrender of the stores. The stores made a demand that the papers reduce the advertising rates 30 per cent or they would cease to advertise. They acknowledged that they were beaten and would resume the advertising contracts as soon as arrangements can be made.

Granted a New Trial. OATUGA, Ont., Jan. 19.—About 7:30 o'clock last night a report came in to the effect that the ministers had granted Mrs. Sternaman a new trial. The telegraph office was full of expectant citizens, and when the news was announced a loud cheer of satisfaction went up.

Rossland Mining Stocks

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MARKET FEATURES.

Good Hope was again the principal seller yesterday. A big block was picked up in Toronto by our correspondent and was sold by us to local people. This practically cleans up the market and this stock will soon be firm at quoted price. Other sellers were Deer Park, Novelty and Monte Cristo.

Table with columns: Stock Name, Price. Rows include Colonna, Deer Park, Dundee, Eden (Silver), Evening Star, Good Hope, High Ore, Iron Colt, Le Roi, Lily May, Monte Cristo, Noble Three (Silver), Pick Up, Poorman, Red Mountain View, Rossland Star, Roderick Dhu, Salmo Co., St. Elmo, Silverline, Silvershoe, Twin, Virginia, White Bird, Yale.

Snaps for Today.

Table with columns: Stock Name, Price. Rows include 2,000 Silverline, 1,000 Deer Park, 2,000 Iron Colt, 1,000 Josie, 3,000 Evening Star, 10,000 Palo Alto.

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NEW CITY

It Was Induced Began Building

COMMITTEE

Several of the members of the committee have been named.

At noon Monday the committee met in the city building, where a large number of new officials were sworn in.

Mayor Wallace private caucus, administration of the city.

At 3:30 o'clock Mayor Wallace the aldermen of the table were Goodeve and Clute.

The council got together after the order of business on each committee.

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NEW CITY COUNCIL

It Was Inducted Into Office and Began Business Yesterday.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Several of the Old Officers Were Re-elected Their Positions. J. L. G. Abbott Appointed City Solicitor—After the Dog Poisoner.

At noon Monday the old municipal council retired from office, and the new civic administration stepped into power.

The inauguration, which occurred in the city building, was conducted in the presence of a large audience. The oath of office was administered to each of the new officials separately by G. A. Jordan, J. P., while W. B. Townsend, J. P., also sat on the bench.

At 3:30 o'clock the board met, with Mayor Wallace in the chair, and all of the aldermen present.

Immediately after their installation, Mayor Wallace and his council had a private caucus, when the policy of the administration was informally discussed.

At 5:30 o'clock the board met, with Mayor Wallace in the chair, and all of the aldermen present.

On the west side of the table were Aldermen Lalonde, Goodlove and Clute, and on the opposite side were Aldermen Thompson, Edgren and City Clerk McQueen, while Alderman Barrett sat at the foot of the table.

The council got down to work immediately after convening. The appointment of the standing committees was the first order of business.

On motion of Alderman Edgren, a motion was unanimously carried offering a resolution of \$50 for information leading to the arrest of a dog poisoner.

Alderman Barrett was granted a leave of absence for a week.

An audit of the city's books was ordered, and a check also ordered to the Arlington restaurant.

The fire department did some very effective work, for in 10 minutes after the first water was turned on, the blaze, which was a hot one, had been extinguished.

The fire boys were all dressed in their Sunday best, and the result was that they put out the blaze that they were so proud of.

A Faithful Porter Rewarded. New York, Jan. 19.—Thomas B. Griffin, a porter in the Wagner car service of the New York Central train that ran off the track last October at Garrison, was presented with a handsome gold watch and chain by Lord Douglas, eldest son of the Marquis of Queensberry, for heroism shown.

Lord Douglas was an occupant of Griffin's car, and escaped unhurt and with all his effects.

WILL SOON BE READY.

The Pend d'Oreille Power Company Has Purchased Machinery. William Archer of New York, who is in the city in the interests of the Pend d'Oreille Electric Light & Power Company, was seen last evening by a MINER reporter in regard to the project.

"We have made arrangements for all the electrical machinery needed," said Mr. Archer, "and we shall begin work in about two weeks. The plant will be erected at the site of the old Kootenai Hydraulic Mining company's works, about seven miles up the Pend d'Oreille, where the flumes and the turbines are already constructed, so that we shall need merely to install our electrical machinery and construct our lines. We expect to have the plant in operation inside of 60 days, and not later than 90 days at the outside."

"For the present our capacity will be 750-horse power, but we expect to increase that considerably inside of a year."

"The company is not endeavoring to make contracts with the mines. We intend to give the mining men an opportunity to test our power on its merits, and if the result is not satisfactory the loss will be ours, not theirs."

"Do I think electric drills applicable to this sort of work? Yes. They have been perfected considerably of late, and can be used to good advantage. A petition is being circulated asking the government for a \$10,000 appropriation to build a wagon road up Springer creek."

A public meeting of the citizens was held Tuesday evening to hear the annual report of the commissioners and to elect commissioners for the ensuing year. A most satisfactory report was read and a vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring commissioners, after which the important wagon road up Springer creek was discussed.

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FROM OTHER CAMPS

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FERN MINE A PRODUCER

Progress of the Work on Porto Rico From Which Shipments Are Now Being Made—Ruth Mine Is to Soon Distribute Cash to Its Stockholders.

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The final papers in connection with the sale of Messrs. Farrell & Midgeon's interests to Messrs. McKenzie & Mann, have been signed, and the purchasers have paid the first payment of \$25,000.

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FEATURES OF THE WEEK.

The stock market for the past week has been exceedingly active and the value of shares in our opinion has been larger than it has been for any week in the past three months. Foreman has jumped to 140; West Le Roi & Josie to 30; Monte Cristo to 25; and Colonna to 22. There is an active market for all of these stocks and we have the buyers. We also want Great Western and Novelty. War Eagle it will be noticed has declined five cents. Write us if you wish to buy or sell in the standard stocks of Rossland.

For reliable information about Trail Creek mines write us, we can supply you with the lowest market quotations and will protect you from wild-cats.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Price, Name of Company, Price, Name of Company, Price, Name of Company, Price. Includes entries like Alberta, Grand Prize, Great Western, Homestake, Iron Colt, Iron Mask, Josie, Le Roi, Lily May, Mayflower, Monte, Monte Cristo, Mugwump.

SNAPS FOR THIS WEEK, JANUARY 20.

We offer this week subject to a previous sale the following: 2,000 Monte Cristo, 22c; 2,000 Iron Mask, 32c; 5,000 Deer Park, 11c; 5,000 St. Elmo, 6c; 1,000 Colonna, 21c; 2,000 Timbony 57c; 400 Dundas 80c; 100 Cariboo (Camp McKinney) 52c; 100 Hill Mines, \$8.00; 2,000 Great Western, 10c; 2,000 Noble Five, 11c; 2,000 West Le Roi & Josie 30c; 250 Mayflower, 7c.

Correspondence Solicited. The best of references on application.

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A Genial Smile

Illumines the countenance of every successful investor, and such is the almost sure result of an investment in standard stocks at the present time.

The Market is a Rising One

And affords now to those with large or moderate means a sound investment with promise of handsome returns. To those with small means we would say that orders received for blocks of stock ranging from 100 shares, will receive the same attention as that given to larger orders.

If holders of any stocks of merit, desirous of selling, will advise us we will promptly wire them our acceptance, if same is possible.

We desire energetic agents to represent us everywhere.

To intending purchasers we would suggest that they wire their best price, in order to save telegraphic expense, and we give them the assurance, if such can be improved they will reap the benefit.

We are in constant receipt of enquiries from England to which we give our prompt attention. Developed and partially developed properties with reports submitted for approval.

We persistently commend the Salmu Consolidated as a sterling investment.

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Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Oriental mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Lookout mountain.

Take notice that I, John Boulter, acting as agent for the Montreal and British Columbia Prospecting & Promoting company, limited, free miner's certificate No. 6099, Eiling Johnson free miner's certificate No. 51,795, James Anderson free miner's certificate No. 52,729, and Alfred No. 53,730, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37 of the "Mineral Act 1896" and amendment section 37 of the "Mineral Act 1897," in relation to the above claim, will be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 14th September, A. D. 1897. JOHN BOULTER, shares of one dollar each.

Certificate of the Registration of an Extra-Provincial Company.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897." "Giant Mining Company." Registered the 25th day of December, 1897.

I hereby certify that I have this day registered the "Giant Mining Company" as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects herein set forth to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.





A MILLION IN GOLD

It Was Brought to Victoria by Miners From the Yukon.

ONE MAN HAD \$175,000

The Report of the Discovery of a Rich Body of Quartz Has Been Confirmed—An American Company Is Buying Claims of All Kinds.

VICTORIA, Jan. 17.—[Special].—The Corona, which arrived from the north today, brought Yukoners who have between them a million dollars' worth of gold dust. They were: J. J. Baker, Joe Fox, Y. Olsen, Dan Campbell, L. Sedgwick, Charles Brosino, Wm. Kaufmann, H. L. Burt, H. L. McCready, Judge Minrat Materson, T. L. Grady, Henry Willett, W. H. Welsh, H. T. Coffin, J. E. Surry, Wm. Kerr, George Johnson, and S. Mallett. One of the fortunates is L. Sedgwick, a young man, who brings with him \$175,000, obtained for claim No. 36, Bonanza creek. Andy Olsen, an intelligent Swede, who has sold out claims Nos. 36 and 37, El Dorado creek, still retaining claim No. 22, is credited with close on a quarter of a million of dollars, and several others had with them the proceeds of their sales, from \$130,000 to \$150,000 per claim.

pose a subsidy to the company for almost any purpose whatever. The people of the west feel this most keenly, and entertain the view in pronounced form that any negotiations with the company should be in the direction of loosening the grip which the company has upon the country, instead of tightening it. The C. P. R. has secured quite enough public aid, and if it declines to expend its own money for the development of traffic routes, then the government should see to it that some other company enters the field. It is getting a bit tiresome building railroads out of the public exchequer and then presenting them to the Canadian Pacific railway.

PRICE OF SHARES IN TORONTO

TORONTO, Jan. 17.—[Special].—The Toronto Mining and Industrial exchange held its first call today. The bidding was active. The prices were as follows:

Table with columns: NAME, OPENING, CLOSING. Lists various mining shares like Athabasca, Big Three, Cariboo, etc.

The transactions were as follows: Athabasca, 10,000 shares; B. C. Goldfields, 500, 800, 1,000, 1,000 shares; Big Three, 700 shares; Dardanelles, 1,000 shares; Deer Park, 1,000 shares; Foley, 100 shares; Great Western, 200 shares; Hammond Reef, 20 shares; Homestake, 40 shares; Iron Mine, 10 shares; Iron Colt, 15 shares; Jubilee Development, 10 shares; Mayflower, 10 shares; Michigan, 10 shares; Ontario Goldfields, 10 shares; Poorman, 15 shares; R. E. Lee, 10 shares; Sawbill, 10 shares; Silver Belle, 10 shares; Slocan Star, 10 shares; The Elks, 10 shares; Victory Triumph, 10 shares; War Eagle, 10 shares; Western Canada, 10 shares.

MINING NOTES

The Coxy tunnel is in about 345 feet, and progress is being made at the rate of about 10 feet a week. It is thought that the ledge will be met within the next 25 feet.

James D. Sword, agent for the Ingersoll-Sargeant Drill company, yesterday received direct from the factory a full line of mining machinery, including complete sets of boilers, air receivers, drills, hoisting machinery, and duplicate parts. The company keeps a full line of machinery at the warehouses here, and is prepared at all times to equip a mine with anything needed, from a complete new plant to a washer.

William Archer of New York, who has large interests throughout the country, is at the Allan. Mr. Archer, who by the way, is now constructing the highest building in the world at New York, is interested in the project in Yukon. He is interested in the project in Yukon, for supplying Rossland with power, and his visit is in connection with that project.

Application has been made for a certificate of improvements for each of the following claims: Good Hope, Oriental, Modona, Abe Lincoln, Copper Bell, Copper, Copper Glance, Contact, Blaylock, Santa Rosa, Queen Lill, St. Luke, Big Four, St. Clair, St. Mark, Dewdney, Mormon Girl, Bunker Hill, Fred, Amelia, Kenneth, Bell, O. K. Fraction.

Work on the Iron Colt has been suspended, pending arrangements for sinking the ledge from the tunnel level. J. D. Porter, a mining engineer of Wallace, Idaho, is in the city inspecting the disputed workings of the Centre Star. His inspection is for use in the coming judicial contest over the workings in question.

The Virginia has just secured an 8x12 hoist from the Canadian Rand Drill company, represented locally by Frank Mendenhall.

The officers of the White Bear in Toronto write very encouragingly regarding the progress being made in securing funds with which to resume work upon the property. They inform John Y. Cole, the resident manager, that work will be started up very shortly. Recent surface work has shown an excellent outcrop, and it is expected that the ledge will be reached within a few days.

Addressed a Woodstock Meeting. Woodstock, Ont., Jan. 18.—Sir Richard Cartwright and Dr. McKay, M. P. E., addressed the South Oxford Reform association, at Mount Elgin yesterday.

FROM THE RECORDS.

- Transfers. January 12. Jumbo No. 3, Jas W Boyd and John A Forin to New York Kootenay Mining company. Acme 1/2, J A Mulvaney to Andrew D Provand. January 13. Georgia Fraction, Harry B Pitt to Victor Montague. January 14. Alfred Hoyt to John Bonitche, \$900. January 15. Miss Florence Doyle gave 'The Home I Left Behind Me' and 'Ben Bolt.' Miss Ainsley sang 'John Barleycorn,' and was compelled to respond with 'A Hot Time in Old Town' and 'Mollie Riley.' Miss Lynn gave a song, and dance, and Mr. Hermann told in song of how his girl was a high born lady. Louis Blue gave a delicate and dainty interpretation of the couche couche, and was enthusiastically received. Fred Blockberger, the United States consular agent, sang an original song dedicated to the Elks.

There were speeches by A. Klockmann, Mayor Scott and dozens of others, and there were recitations and songs by Con Whalen, John McKane, E. Edmond, E. Miller and a score more. Beer was dished in boundless profusion, and tasteful refreshments were served as well. After the social, all the Elks, together with Robert Scott, A. Klockmann and the ladies who had participated in the program, had a banquet in the dining room of the International, which was not less pleasant than the stag party that had preceded it.

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HAD A HOT OLD TIME

The Elks' Social Was a Most Pleasant Affair.

THOMAS IN THE CHAIR

Fines Amounted to \$70.25—Louis Blue Fined Three Barrels of Beer for Carrying Concealed Weapons, and John Y. Cole Paid a Dollar.

The Elks' stag social on Sunday night was a warm event. The capacious music hall at the International was crowded, and the fun, which began about 9 o'clock, kept getting higher and higher until the participants headed for home at a very uncertain hour in the morning. There are only seven Elks in the city, not counting Jerry Spillman, who is only a baby Elk as yet, but they entertained their household of guests in the jolliest fashion imaginable.

Dan Thomas was the chairman, and a better one it would be hard to find. He kept things on the move from start to finish. A. M. Zinn had charge of the musical features of the program. Jack Robertson was treasurer, while Billy Beewick and Victor Morlier were the policemen, and handled offenders against the law.

By good luck the receipts from fines, which amounted to \$70.25, were just 25 cents more than the expenses, so that the Elks came out even.

The formal program was commenced by the singing of the national anthem, and the object and nature of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. It was founded, he said, in New York in 1868, by an English actor, Charles Miles Away, to sing 'The Home I Left Behind Me' and 'Ben Bolt.' Since then it has grown until now its membership aggregates 60,000, and he sincerely hoped that before another year would have been founded in Rossland.

At the conclusion of his address the toast to the Queen was proposed, and it was given with right good will.

'Sally in Our Alley,' as sung by Theo. Steinmetz elicited an enthusiastic encore. Little Miss Fannie Graham gave a clever song and dance, and in response to a recall sang in dainty style, 'You Can't Play in Our Yard.'

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

In Favor of a Stock Exchange. QUEBEC, Que., Jan. 10.

EDITOR MINER—Sir: It is a fact so well known to all that the British Columbia mines are enormously rich in gold, silver and other metals that the investors principally in Canada last winter had so great confidence in these mines that they purchased a large number of shares. Amidst the said investors I will only mention those of our city who have bought, to my knowledge, over a million shares in the space of a few months. When they invested so large an amount, it was their opinion that a mining exchange would be opened in the city of Rossland, and that it would be maintained for daily transactions; in fact, a mining exchange was opened, but unfortunately has been closed, to kill the mining market in the eastern part of Canada.

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THE RUTH-ESTER.

LATOP, Mo., Dec. 28.

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Weekly Market.

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AMENDED REGULATIONS.

A Royalty of 10 Per Cent to Be Collected.

OTTAWA, Jan. 17.—The amended regulations covering placer mining along the Yukon river and its tributaries, including the Klondike, as well as in other parts of the Yukon territories, were adopted in council on Saturday. The main points and most important changes are covered by the following summary: Every miner and employee of a miner will be required to take out a miner's certificate, the fee for which will be \$10. In case of a company it will be \$50, or \$100 according to the amount of the capital stock. Miners' licenses will confer the right to mine, fish, hunt and cut the timber necessary for mining.

Provision will be made for obtaining more miners' certificates at a number of cities and towns, such as Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary, Vancouver and Victoria, at a general size of mining claims will be 250 feet. Discoverer's claim will be 500 feet. Every alternate 10 claims shall be reserved by the government of Canada.

Sub-aqueous mining leases will be issued in five-year terms, the fee to be \$100 per mile per annum and the usual royalty. The fee for recording and renewing mining claims will be \$15. Any number of miners not less than five, more than 100 miles distant from the office of the mining recorder, may appoint a recorder, who will record claims and within three months transfer the records and fees to the nearest mining recorder.

A royalty of 10 per cent on the gold mined shall be levied and collected by the government officers appointed for that purpose, but a provision is made for an exemption on the annual product of any mining claim up to \$2,500, so that claims which do not produce more than \$2,500 will not be liable for royalty. Provisions are made to prevent speculation in claims, by throwing the claim open to entry which has not worked a certain number of days, unless reasonable cause is shown, and by providing that a record shall not be issued for more than one claim to any miner in the same locality. There are other provisions regarding the public interest and revenue, and at the same time affording ample facilities for mining the enormous wealth of the Yukon.

NO BONUSES THIS YEAR.

Minister of Railways Is Opposed to Yukon Schemes.

The announcement that comes from Ottawa with the official authority of Mr. Blair, the minister of railways, that the government does not intend to grant any bonuses to railway companies for the purpose of assisting them to build railways or portions of railways to the Yukon, is very satisfactory, more especially in view of the large number of charters that have been and are being applied for to build lines in that direction, says the Winnipeg Tribune. From the way in which things were shaping, we had all but concluded that the annual raid of the C. P. R. would be confined to the exploitation of the government, to secure a large bonus to construct a line from Telegraph creek to Tozlin lake, to help out the Stucken river route which is sure to prove such a gold mine to the company in connection with the transportation of adventurers and tourists to the Yukon. Judging by public sentiment in regard to allowing the C. P. R. to listen to its tentacles any tighter upon the country, there would certainly be an outcry if the government should pro-

pose a subsidy to the company for almost any purpose whatever. The people of the west feel this most keenly, and entertain the view in pronounced form that any negotiations with the company should be in the direction of loosening the grip which the company has upon the country, instead of tightening it.

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A STUBBORN ARGUMENT.

The Majority in Congress Opposed to Recognizing Cuba. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—All day long the question of the granting of belligerent rights to the Cuban insurgents was argued in the house, but as on yesterday the minority hurled itself against a stone wall. On the only vote taken today, a motion designed to direct the committee on foreign affairs to report, without further delay, the Cuban resolution passed by the senate at the last session, the Republicans stood solid and voted to sustain the chair. During the general debate Chairman Hit of the foreign affairs committee made an expressive speech, explaining at length the situation which made action by congress inadvisable.

GEORGE'S MINSTRELS.

A Delighted Audience Witnessed Their Initial Performance. The performance given by the George's minstrels at the opera house was witnessed by a large and delighted audience. The company is made up of an excellent lot of specialty people, including excellent vocalists of merit, funny comedians and dancers of skill, and the applause was continuous from the rise to the fall of the curtain. The performance will be repeated tonight and tomorrow night.