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Signature: A. M. THOMAS, Secretary.

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Signature: THOMAS S. GILMOUR.

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MORE THAN 8000 TONS

Shipped From Rossland Mines to Smelters Last Week.

Record of Week's Progress in Rossland Camp.

The week ending last night saw more than 8000 tons of ore mined and shipped from the Rossland camp to the Northport and Trail smelters. The big mines contributed heavily to the quota, and the smaller properties show well in the list of shipments. The record is creditable, and it is generally expected that this standard will be maintained for an indefinite period, pending a thorough straightening out of the coke situation, when increases may be looked for. In other respects the week was one of steady advancement. Construction was carried ahead on the various works under way with satisfactory progress. It seems likely that the next few weeks will be fraught with events of more than ordinary importance from the local viewpoint. Attending the conclusion of new contracts for the treatment of the ores of several big producers are possibilities that should have the effect of stimulating production materially, and giving employment to considerable crews of men in mines that are working few, if any, men at the present juncture. Reports are also current as to the inauguration of comprehensive programs of development at various mines, and of construction work on a large scale that will affect the camp.

Table with columns: Shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending August 8th and for the year to date as follows. Includes rows for Le Roi, Centre Star, War Eagle, Kootenay, Le Roi No. 2, Velvet, Giant, Jumbo, I. X. L., White Bear, O. K., Homestake, and Totals.

AMONG THE MINES.

NICKEL PLATE. - Work on an interesting nature is under way at the mine at the present time. Bulkheads of a substantial and permanent description are being constructed at the eastern end of the drifts on the 400 and 600 levels. Brick is being used for this purpose, the idea being to prevent the flow of water into Centre Star ground that occasioned the litigation commenced recently. It is presumed that these legal proceedings will be brought to a conclusion by the end of the month. The mine has been completely unwatered, and the commencement of mining operations will be awaited with interest.

GREAT WESTERN. - Accidents to the pumping apparatus have had the effect of delaying the commencement of the unwatering decided upon a week ago, but these will be fairly under way in the course of a few days. When the 100 level is reached the management proposes to commence the examination and sampling, which the unwatering is intended to facilitate. This can be started as soon as the first level is reached, as the pumping is done by means of sinking pumps.

GIANT. - Operations at the Giant have been maintained during the week on the somewhat restricted scale in force for several weeks past. Work is confined to the upper level, and hand work alone is being done. Shipments have been made during the week, and the announcement is made that the present program will be continued indefinitely.

and No. 1 properties. In the former the various levels down to the 700 are being operated actively, and the showing is stated to be exceedingly good. High grade ore is being mined in the No. 1 mine. Much interest attaches to the probable policy of the mine in respect to ore shipments after the middle of the month, when the company's contract with the Le Roi smelter at Northport will expire. Work on the concentrator plant is progressing smoothly, and excellent progress is being accomplished.

CENTRE STAR. - Mining and development have been continued throughout the week without variation from the usual plan. On the 600 level the high grade showing encountered recently is showing up most satisfactorily, and in the other levels the stopping ground is being steadily enlarged.

WAR EAGLE. - On all the levels above the 800 work has been carried ahead continuously. The high grade stopes have produced a considerable tonnage, as is indicated by the statement of shipments.

WHITE BEAR. - Construction work has been carried ahead materially during the week, particularly in connection with the spur from the main line of the Spokane Falls & Northern.

I. X. L. - The lessees have made considerable advances during the week in connection with development to the east of the old workings.

JUMBO. - The statement from the Jumbo is that mining and development were continued regularly last week, without any change of importance. It is expected that a contract for the treatment of the ore will be consummated with one or other of the smelters at a comparatively early date.

KOOTENAY. - On the third, fourth and fifth levels mining and development proceeded steadily all week, the greatest interest attaching to the fifth level, where the downward continuation of the high grade ore bodies encountered on the third and fourth levels is understood to have been picked up in the most satisfactory manner.

BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS. The Granby smelter last week treated 8530 tons, making a total of 195,137 tons for the year.

Table with columns: Granby, Mother Lode, Snowshoe, R. C., Emma, Sunset, Oro Denoro, Providence, Athelstan, Elkhor, Totals. Includes sub-table for THE STOCK MARKET.

THE STOCK MARKET. The past week's business was small, and prices were but slightly changed. There is no demand for stocks except in a few cases. Mountain Lion is one of the exceptions, that stock having been the most active and strongest on the list. It sold as high as 26, dropping to 25 1/2 at the close. American Boy was active, but the price was not materially changed. Rambler-Cariboo fell off in the quotations, the last sale being made at 37 1/4. Cariboo McKinley is also somewhat weaker.

SALES. American Boy, 2000 at 4-4; Waterloo, 1000 at 6 1/4; Giant, 4000 at 2-7.8. Total, 7000. American Boy, 3000, 4-3-4; Centre Star, 500, 25; Mountain Lion, 2000, 25; 1000, 25 1-2; Giant, 1000, 27-8. Total, 7500. American Boy, 2000, 47-8; Sullivan, 3000, 5; War Eagle, 1000, 11. Total, 6000. Mountain Lion, 1000 at 25; Payne, 1000 at 16 1-4; Sullivan, 2000 at 5; American Boy, 4000 at 4 7-8. Total, 8000. Centre Star, 1000 at 25 1-4; Rambler-Cariboo, 1500 at 37 1-4; White Bear, 3000 at 4; Mountain Lion, 2000 at 26. Total, 7500. Cariboo McKinley, 2000, 11 1-2; Fisher Maiden, 1000, 21-2; Mountain Lion, 500, 25 1-2; Sullivan, 3000, 5. Total, 6500.

General News Of the Kootenay

THE SLOCAN. There are 726 names on the voters list for the Kase riding. A company is applying for rights to build and operate a tramway and telephone or telegraph lines along the Lardeau river.

The Nansen group at the head of Lemon creek is proving a bonanza. Over 18 inches of ore was carried in from the portals, running \$20 in gold and 10 ounces of silver. The owners expect to ship shortly.

A scarcity of miners in the Slocan is apparent. Men have to be brought in from the outside to supply the needs of the camp. George W. Hughes is expected in the Slocan any day to push work on the Sunset and Trade Dollar.

Business in the Slocan is rapidly improving in all lines. The large mines are greatly adding to their forces, and many that have not been working for two years or more are resuming work. The general tone of business is strong and the outlook bright.

There are 60 men in the Payne mine and 27 in the mill. The operation of the zinc plant will be delayed several weeks, owing to the damage done the magnetic separator by the floods in Missouri while it was en route. A new separator had to be ordered.

In the lower workings on the Slocan Star a strike of three feet of clean high grade galena was made last week. It is at a depth of 800 feet. This is considered to be a very important strike by the mine officials, important not for the mine alone but for the district.

A small force is at the Reco. For the first time since the strike the Jackson has resumed operations. A 10-inch strike of galena is reported from the Chicago, on Cody creek. Four men are working on the Blue Bird, one of the oldest mines in the camp.

The Slocan Silver-Lead Mine Owners' association will control and market fully 25,000 tons of silver-lead ore the present year. The marketing will be in the hands of a selling committee composed of the following gentlemen: Messrs. George Alexander, Byron N. White, Alfred C. Conde, W. E. Zwickly and D. G. Forbes. The scheme is a simple one, so simple in fact that it cannot fail to work.

Every member of the association signs a contract disposing of his output to the selling committee, who are given full power to act. The business standing of the members of that committee is ample assurance that all will be fairly dealt with.

Manager Garde, of the Payne, has commenced the building of an extensive flume from No. 3 tunnel on the Mc Gulgan side of the mountain to tap the stream and secure unlimited supply for mill power. The length of the flume will be 6200 feet and assures water for all purposes the year round. It will be completed before the usual dry season sets in, and the present source is sufficient for some months to come.

THE LARDEAU. Duke Champagne and Charles Peterson have been awarded a contract in the Nettie L. mine to run a 200 foot tunnel. They will do the work by machine power.

Dr. Milroy of Rossland has returned from his properties on Silver Cup mountain, where he has been doing some work on the I. X. L. The property has now some 480 feet of work done on a cross fissure vein which has demonstrated that these are the gold bearing leads in the above belt and also that they are continuous in depth.

About sixty tons of ore sent from this lead gave returns at smelter of \$52 in gold. This property is certainly a bonanza and if the doctor continues developing as he has since he acquired the property about a year ago we hope to see it one of our steady shippers by next spring. Quite a bunch of ore that would assay over \$100 might be shipped now, but the owner very wisely defers shipments until the mine is properly developed.

IN THE FIELD. List of Candidates for the Legislature so Far. Following are the results of party nominations for the coming elections up to date: Chilliwack-Chas. W. Munro, Liberal; J. L. Atkinson, Conservative; Comox-F. McE. Young, Liberal; Grand Forks-John Riordan, Socialist.

Islands-T. W. Paterson, Liberal. Nelson-S. S. Taylor, Liberal. Okanagan-T. W. Sterling, Liberal. Similkameen-W. J. Snodgrass, Liberal.

Skeena-P. Herman, Liberal; C. W. D. Clifford, Conservative. S'Gee-Wm. Davidson, Labor. Greenwood-J. R. Brown, Liberal. Kaslo-J. Retallack, Liberal. Fernie-J. McPherson, Socialist.

Vancouver-F. Williams, Labor; A. G. Perry, Labor; E. Burns, Socialist. Yale-Stuart Henderson, Liberal. Kamloops-F. J. Deane, Liberal; F. J. Fulton, Conservative.

HOW LONDON FEELS TOWARD BRITISH COLUMBIAN MINING INVESTMENTS AT PRESENT. MR. ROLT DISCUSSES THE SUBJECT TO ATTRACT ENGLISH CAPITAL HERE.

"The most encouraging remark I heard while in London emanated from two or three mining men who intimated that in their opinion there was a possibility of a change for the better in prospect relative to British Columbia mining investments through the possibility of a few big houses taking more interest in the province than had been the case recently. With this exception I found matters in London practically where they were on my last visit eighteen months previously—that is, apathy toward investments in B. C."

This is from E. W. Rolt, who returned a few days since from a trip to the old land. Continuing, Mr. Rolt remarked that in his opinion two factors would have the effect of again attracting the attention of the big English investors to British Columbia enterprises. First and foremost was dividends from mines now operated with English capital. He referred to the fact that as a rule English investments in the mines of the province had been unsatisfactory, and dividends were requisite as a starter to remove the prejudice existing under present circumstances.

His second prescription was a determined effort to popularize the province and extend a knowledge of its resources. This, he believed, could be best brought about by a revision of the conditions governing the office of agent-general for the province. Personally he thought this was not handled in the proper manner, and if he was premier he would not have the agent-general perched in the upper stories of any building. In London he had met with uniform courtesy from the representatives of the province, and wished to state that in his opinion the agency-general was located in good and suitable quarters, quite as desirable as could be secured for the money available.

"If I had the arrangement of matters affecting the agency-general I would not be content with an expenditure of less than \$20,000 per annum on the agency-general. With this sum it would be possible to secure offices in the most central part of London, for choice on the ground floor where an attractive display of the products of the province could be made in a manner that would compel people to come in and hear what was to be said about the country. I have known cases in British Columbia where the government has expended in one year almost the sum I have suggested in the construction of a single wagon road to a mining property of unproved merit, and which probably turned out a failure. If instead of building one or two wagon roads, the government would operate its London office on the scale I have suggested the outlay would bring into the country annually funds ample to build many such roads in the future.

"The great essential to bring back old friends and interest new ones is payment of dividends by British Columbian mines. We must have this as a basis of calculation throughout." While in England Mr. Rolt heard nothing as to the suggested reconstruction of the Le Roi company, but as he left London about the end of June the matter may have come to the front after his departure.

CHAMBERLAIN'S PROPOSAL. Attempts to Discuss it in the House Are Put Down. LONDON, Aug. 11.—When the appropriations bill was called up in the house of commons today several attempts were made to discuss Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal proposal, this being the last possible chance before the prorogation of parliament. The speaker, however, ruled that the fiscal matter was irrelevant. Lord Hugh Cecil thought that a protest ought to be entered at Mr. Chamberlain's way of combining his prestige with the liberty of an ordinary politician in order to forward his views. It was a constitutional scandal, said Lord Hugh Cecil, scarcely less than the premier's attitude toward all proposals to discuss the fiscal policy in the house of commons.

LATE NEWS OF FIGHTERS. Jeffries and Corbett Reported in Good Condition. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 11.—J. J. Corbett was today examined by Dr. E. T. Tillman, the official doctor of the Yosemite Athletic club. He was pronounced in perfect health. Today Corbett took a jaunt on the road and practiced with the gloves in the gymnasium. Like Jeffries, he does his work with pleasure to avoid a nervous strain. Jeffries will move from Harbin Springs to Oakland tomorrow, and will be a guest of the Bellanca club until Friday night. Delaney is delighted with his condition and says he will win.

EAST KOOTENAY. One hundred dollars will be expended in repairing Moyie's streets. Michael Gill of Rossland has rented the Drewry boarding house. He has it furnished and is ready for business when the mine starts.

AN EARTHQUAKE. LATTA, Aug. 11.—A violent shock of earthquake lasting for a minute was felt here at 5:33 this morning.

THE LE ROI SMELTER. FOUR FURNACES NOW IN OPERATION—OTHERS TO BLOW IN LATER. EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS COMPLETED—PLANS PREPARING FOR OTHERS.

The Northport smelter is now operating four furnaces. The remaining two furnaces in the battery will be blown in as soon as ore shipments from the Rossland camp are increased, which may be at a comparatively early date. The various changes in connection with the details of smelting inaugurated since E. J. Wilson assumed the management have been maintained with satisfactory results from the standpoint of economy.

Mr. Wilson spent yesterday in the city on business with the Le Roi company. Coke supplies from East Kootenay collieries have come in satisfactorily during the past month, according to Mr. Wilson, who states that the Northport smelter is now receiving a fair share of the coke manufactured in East Kootenay. He has information from the Crow's Nest collieries to the effect that about sixty of the Morrissey coke ovens are now completed, and expects that when the first block of 120 ovens are completed it will be blown in, and that with additional ovens to be added as rapidly as finished, the smelters handling Canadian ores will receive sufficient coke to keep them running at full capacity. This, he estimates, should eventuate on or before September 15.

It has been intimated that the management of the Northport smelter contemplated a number of structural alterations and additions at the works, the effect of which would be to further reduce the costs of handling ore. A statement along this line was made a couple of months ago in The Miner. The first of these improvements is now under way. The sampling department is being rebuilt, and plans are in preparation for various other improvements calculated to enhance the efficiency of the smelter.

Mr. Wilson returns this morning to Northport.

AFTER MANY YEARS. WORK TO BE RESUMED AT ONCE ON THE PORTO RICO MINE. GEORGE H. BARNHART CLOSED DEAL YESTERDAY IN ROSSLAND.

After many years the Porto Rico mine is to be reopened and operated actively. George H. Barnhart, former superintendent of the Ymir mine, has taken a lease on the property, the papers in the matter having been signed here yesterday. Mr. Barnhart is a mining man of thirty years experience in the United States, Canada and Mexico, and under his management the mine will have a new and promising lease of life. Negotiations for the lease have been under way for six months, and the terms were practically decided upon four months ago, but it was only yesterday that the matter was finally closed up. The Porto Rico is located a few miles from the siding of the same name on the Nelson & Port Sheppard railway between Ymir and Nelson.

The property will now enter upon a new era, and it is confidently expected that excellent results will be secured. The Porto Rico was acquired in its prospect stage by a company consisting of English and French capitalists. It was equipped with a seven-drill compressor and a ten-stamp mill. Considerable development work was done and much ore extracted and milled. The ore is a free-milling quartz carrying about 20 per cent. The property was operated until 1899, when the ore in sight in the upper levels was exhausted. For some time prior to this no attempt had been made to keep up development work, and the obvious result was the complete gutting of the upper workings. Why ore was not sought in deeper levels is unknown, but the mine has been permitted to stand idle since the date specified, presumably because the directors disagreed on the question of expenditure for development.

While Mr. Barnhart was at Ymir he examined the Porto Rico on a number of occasions, and the result was his effort to secure a lease, which has just been crowned with success. He proposes to put in a crew of twenty men at once and to prosecute development and exploration vigorously. In two or three months he hopes to start the mill. The undertaking will have an important effect on the immediate district.

CRICKET IN SCOTLAND. EDINBURGH, Aug. 11.—The cricket match between the Philadelphia eleven and the Gentlemen of Scotland, which began here yesterday, when the Philadelphians made 302 runs in their first innings, was continued today. The Scotch team in going in to bat this morning made a poor showing against the splendid bowling and fielding of the Philadelphians. At lunch time they had lost five of their wickets for the paltry total of 36 runs. The Scotsmen were all out in their first inning for 145 runs.

CONSERVATIVE MEETING

Party Has Two-Thirds of Rossland Electors Enrolled.

Resolution on Proper System of Taxation Sidelined.

(From Saturday's Daily.) Local Conservatives held their regular weekly rally last night at the headquarters in the Grand Union Hotel. There was a large attendance and the result of the proceedings was watched with close interest.

As a further step towards closer and more effective organization, an executive committee of fifty workers was appointed.

During the week a special committee met to report upon the merits of the much discussed resolution demanding a more equitable system of taxation and a sounder fiscal policy for the future salvation of the province. The resolution follows:

"Whereas the treasury of the province of British Columbia annually shows a deficit instead of a surplus;

"And whereas a government return was made at the last session of the provincial legislature which shows that the railways and the big dividend-paying corporations only pay taxes to the extent of one-tenth the proportion paid by the small holder, the struggling merchant and the miner and the masses generally;

"And whereas if the said railways and big dividend-paying corporations paid their fair share of taxation, the provincial treasury would be enriched to an additional extent of something more than a quarter of a million dollars;

"And whereas the inauguration of this practice would show a surplus instead of a deficit, and thus permit a reduction of the present amount of taxation paid by the poorer element of the population;

"Therefore be it resolved by the Rossland Conservative Association in regular meeting assembled that we protest against the present fiscal system that countenances these unjust and distressing conditions and pledge the association and its candidates at the forthcoming elections to lose no opportunity to introduce and secure remedial legislation along these lines."

The committee appointed to report on the foregoing held two meetings. The resolution was discussed pro and con. The mover, who was one of the committee, had pointed out the need of a revision of the present system which would not only remove the possibility of a deficit but reduce the burden of taxation on the masses and the infant industries. It was generally admitted that a change is imperative, if prosperity and good government is to be obtained, but there was a preponderance of sentiment in the committee against the resolution, although none of the committee were willing to offer a better or any solution than what was embodied in the idea advanced. A few were afraid of raising the ire of the railway companies, and several ignored the question of reduction of taxation on the working miner. No definite conclusion was arrived at, and the committee so reported.

The secretary of the association reported a membership of 532 registered voters in the riding. W. B. Townsend introduced a resolution which purports to pledge the association to a demand for a revision of the present system of taxing unworked crown granted mineral claims. The sound reason and pertinent nature of the resolution was thoroughly appreciated and it was referred to a special committee, which will report at the next meeting of the association.

LABOR DAY AT PHOENIX.

Promise of a Very Successful Celebration.

PHOENIX, B. C., Aug. 7.—During the last week two meetings of the Labor Day celebration committee have been held, the last one last night. The reports from the various sub-committees having the matter in charge were received, and it was found that excellent progress was being made with the preliminary preparations for the event. One of the chief events will be horse racing, and the committee decided to offer good prizes for these races, teams being expected to compete from all over the Kootenays and Boundary.

The committee on subscriptions also stated that they had been very successful in raising the necessary funds, which ensure an excellent program of sports. The Phoenix trades and labor council will arrange to have a noted speaker from labor's ranks here to give an oration appropriate to the day, and the indications now are that it will be one of the most successful celebrations that has yet taken place in the Boundary country.

MASONS AT PHOENIX.

King Edward Lodge Formally Instituted by Grand Officers.

PHOENIX, B. C., Aug. 7.—King Edward Lodge No. 36, A. F. and A. M., was instituted here last night with about thirty members, the installing officers being the Most Worshipful Grand Master C. Ensor Sharp of Esquimalt and J. H. Schofield of Trail, the district deputy grand master. There were present brethren from Eholt and Grand Forks, and after the ceremonies a supper was served in Masonic hall. The lodge has been organized for about two years, and has been working under dispensation up to the present.

The following officers were installed: Worshipful master, W. G. Fraser; senior warden, George E. Dey; junior warden, E. J. Allen; secretary, G. W. Rumberger; treasurer, J. H. Trevorrow; senior deacon, E. B. Boucher; junior deacon, H. A. Wright; senior steward, W. S. Macy; junior steward, R. S. Fraser; Tyler, John Swanson.

The visiting officials also instituted Harmony Lodge No. 37 at Grand Forks on Wednesday evening, and this evening will pay a visit to the Greenwood lodge.

MADE NEW RECORD

A. B. BARKER ESTABLISHES NEW MARK FOR CIVILIANS' RANGE.

INTER-ASSOCIATION MATCH ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY — FAIR SCORES.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Fair scores were made by members of the Civilians' association on Saturday and Sunday, when an inter-association match was fired. Honors were carried off by A. B. Barker, who put on 93 points on Sunday, although his score in the match was considerably lower. Following his shooting at the three ranges on Sunday, Mr. Barker put on seven bullseyes in succession at the 600 yard range.

The match scores were as follows: C. O. Lalonde, Capt. ... 200 500 600 T. 1. 26 27 24 77

A. B. Barker, Capt. ... 200 600 600 T. 1. 30 29 19 78

On Saturday a series of handicap matches will be started, the handicaps being based on the members' averages throughout the season.

CUP COMPETITION.

The annual Hart-McHarg cup competition for members of the Rossland company, Rocky Mountain Rangers has commenced. The first match has already been fired, and the second of the series of four takes place on Saturday next. Following are the scores in the first contest, together with the handicaps under which the marksmen will shoot next Saturday:

New Handicap. Score cap Total 0—Sergt. Roberts ... .32 8 100

AN AMERICAN SCHEME.

Proposed to Arrange an International Wheat Combine.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—The Daily News this morning prints a dispatch from Warsaw, dated last Friday, which says that an American association, said to comprise 37,000 farmers, has addressed itself to the Russian ministers of finance and agriculture requesting their assistance in raising the current price of agricultural produce, particularly wheat, and saying that the association projects a union between the wheat growing countries of the world for the purpose of fixing an annual minimum selling price. In view of Minister De Witte's horror of trusts, it is doubtful whether he will accept the bait.

PROMOTER HOOLEY'S CASE.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—Application was made to a magistrate in the Marlborough street police court today for a warrant for the arrest of Promoter E. T. Hooley, on a charge of fraudulently and by false pretenses obtaining signatures to checks and bills of exchange amounting to over \$650,000. The magistrate reserved his decision. On Saturday Attorney General Finlay instructed the director of public prosecutions to investigate some of the transactions of Hooley in connection with the Sapphire-Corundum mine of Canada.

LIKELY TO DIE.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 10.—No additional deaths occurred during the night as a result of the accident on Saturday at the National League ball park. There are seven patients in different hospitals, however, who the physicians say have but slight chance of recovering. Five are suffering from fractured skulls and two from concussion of the brain. There are in various hospitals nearly one hundred victims of the accident. The deaths so far number nine.

NEWS FROM THE EAST

The Canadian Pacific Rate of Dividend Is Increased.

Defender of the Canada's Cup Wins Two Straight Races.

MONTREAL, Aug. 10.—At a meeting of the directors of the Canadian Pacific a dividend of two per cent on the preferred stock for the half year ending June 30th last was declared. A dividend of three per cent for the same period was declared on the common stock. The receipts for the fiscal year were: Gross earnings, \$43,357,397; working expenses, \$28,120,582; net earnings, \$15,236,815; total net income, \$17,123,558; less fixed charges, \$7,062,197; less amount applied against ocean steamships, \$150,000; net for dividend, \$9,921,461. After the payment of all dividends declared the surplus for the year carried forward is \$3,973,980.

Much satisfaction is felt here in financial circles over the increase of the half yearly dividend of the Canadian Pacific from two and one-half to three per cent, the feeling being that the company has been so conservative in the past that it must be satisfied with the outlook for the future or otherwise it would not have made the increase.

The number of directors is to be increased by five at the annual meeting, those to be added being Clarence W. Mackay, of New York; D. McNicholl, Montreal, manager of the company; Senator Drummond, Senator McKay and D. G. Reid, all of Montreal.

TORONTO, Aug. 10.—The first race for the Canada cup was won on Saturday by the defender, Strathcona, defeating the challenger Ironquoit, of Rochester, by 22 seconds. The race was an exciting one from start to finish. The second race for the Canada's cup was won by Strathcona, the defender, by more than eight minutes elapsed time. The Canadian yacht's superiority over the Ironquoit in windward work was shown at the start, and she led all the way.

DUNDAS, Ont., Aug. 10.—A. F. Pirie, editor of the Dundas True Banner, is lying at the point of death from the effects of a self-inflicted bullet wound. He was mentally unbalanced. Mr. Pirie was one of the best known Canadian newspaper men. For many years he was editorial writer on the Toronto Telegram and afterwards on the Montreal Star.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 10.—General Manager McNicholl of the C. P. R. arrived in Winnipeg from the east this afternoon. He was accompanied by Chief Engineer McHenry, Assistant General Manager Leonard and Superintendent Brady. Mr. McNicholl is on a general inspection of the road which will continue right out to the coast.

CALGARY, Aug. 10.—A heavy thunder storm raged yesterday afternoon, with a wind blowing fifty to sixty miles per hour. One and two-thirds inches of rain fell in half an hour. Lightning struck a C. P. R. irrigation survey tent, burning it up. Richard A. Leads was badly shocked, H. B. Muckleston was struck on the leg and the other inmate, Maunday, was untouched. Leads was brought to the hospital and Muckleston to a hotel.

A LOST BOY FOUND.

Young Gonvalves Now on His Way to Meet His Mother.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Aug. 10.—August Gonvalves, the Portuguese boy whose mother in California has made an extraordinary effort to locate him, was picked up in the Chicago and Northwestern freight yards in this city today, having just arrived from Chicago en route west. He was taken to the police station, where he made known his identity and a wish to reach Oakland. He carried with him a Chicago paper describing the story recently published about his travels and family connections. He told of his wanderings since his father kidnapped him in Oakland, and said he had been a cabin boy and his father's ship carpenter during most of his ocean trips, which included voyages to Portugal, the Madeira islands and South Africa. When young Gonvalves learned that transportation had been sent to him to Chicago he said he would wait in Council Bluffs for it. He said he will have no difficulty in identifying himself when he finds his mother, and believes she will recognize him. The boy says he has a number of wealthy relatives, one of whom, an uncle, is living in Honolulu. Young Gonvalves' father left quite a fortune, of which, however, he will not come into possession until he is 21 years old. The police expect to hear from his Oakland relatives in a short time.

A FATAL JOURNEY.

New York Capitalist Killed on His Way to Thunder Mountain.

BOISE, Aug. 10.—Word reached here today that P. S. Bennett, a New York capitalist, had been killed while going into Thunder Mountain by the upsetting of a stage. Bennett was on his way to visit mining property in the district and was accompanied by Dr. R. M. Cramer and S. B. Whittier of New York and O. C. Gage of Philadelphia.

The accident occurred in an isolated district, and details as to when the accident occurred, or whether other members of the party were injured, have not been received.

ATTACKED BY ANARCHISTS.

Premier Combes of France Has a Narrow Escape at Marseilles.

MARSEILLES, Aug. 10.—As Premier Combes was returning yesterday afternoon to the prefecture from a banquet given by the friendly society of teachers, at which M. Pellatin, minister of marine, and Henri Brisson, deputy for Marseilles, and a number of senators and deputies were present, two pistol shots were fired at the carriage in which he was riding. The premier was untouched and none of those accompanying him were hurt. The attempt upon the life of the prime minister caused great excitement and the crowd pointed out to the police the author of the attempt, a man dressed in fisherman's clothes. His companion drew a knife but the police quickly disarmed him.

The police had much difficulty in protecting the man who had fired the shots from the crowd. He struggled desperately, but was soon overcome, handcuffed and taken to the prefecture, where M. Combes had already arrived. The first interrogation of the prisoner took place in the presence of the premier. The man said his name was San Vaire Picolo. He spoke very bad French with a strong Italian accent. He denied that he had fired the shots, but when searched a revolver was found from which two shots had been recently fired. It is believed that Picolo and his companion, who effected his escape during the confusion, are anarchists. The police are aware of the presence in Marseilles of a number of other anarchists.

ROME, Aug. 10.—The names of the men who attempted to assault M. Combes, the French premier, at Marseilles yesterday seeming to be Italian, the authorities here looked up their lists of Italian anarchists and verified them. Many messages of congratulation were sent to M. Combes, including one of an especially warm character from the foreign minister, Vice Admiral Morin.

A HURRICANE'S VISIT

LANDS SWEEPED BY A VIOLENT STORM.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE ON MARTINIQUE AND PART OF JAMAICA.

FORT DE FRANCE, Martinique, Aug. 10.—The island of Martinique was swept by a hurricane of great violence last night. Its duration was ten hours, and it was particularly severe during the first two hours at Fort de France, where it caused much damage. Hundreds of houses were unroofed and several sailing vessels were badly damaged. No fatalities, however, have been reported. The streets are encumbered with debris from the tiled roofs, and the roads are impassable on account of fallen trees, which were torn up by the roots. Several other towns suffered. The storm moved in a northwesterly direction.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Aug. 10.—The tall of a hurricane moving over the Antilles struck the eastern end of the island of Jamaica today and did great damage to the banana properties of the United Fruit and Jamaica Fruit companies. The full extent of the injury is still unknown. The hurricane seemed to be moving northward in the direction of Cuba.

SAN JUAN, Aug. 10.—The people of the island are alarmed over the high southern winds which are blowing. Hurricane signals have been set by order of the weather bureau. Barbados reports that a hurricane is headed north-west. There were heavy rains along the north coast of Porto Rico last night, but the barometer is now rising, and it is hoped that the danger has passed.

THE POPE LOOKS OLDER.

Accession to the Papal Throne Has Aged Him Ten Years.

ROME, Aug. 10.—Plus X had another fatiguing day, as he received all the delegates who had come to Rome to attend the coronation ceremonies. He accorded a lengthy audience to about 300 persons from Venice, receiving them in the Clementine hall. The pontiff allowed all the members of the delegation to kiss his hand, and called by name those whom he knew, just as he had when he met them formerly in Venice. He said to them: "I am a poor mortal, too weak for the heavy cross which God has given me. But His will be done. I will carry it as best I can, and you must all pray to our Lord to give me the necessary strength."

INTERNATIONAL POSTAGE.

Austen Chamberlain Declines to Reduce the Present Rate.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—In response to a correspondent advising penny postage between Great Britain and the United States, Postmaster General Chamberlain writes that it will be difficult to adopt such a scheme for the benefit of one country while refusing it to others, and that the sacrifice of revenue in the adoption of international penny postage would be so great that he does not feel justified in proposing it.

SERVIAN ROYAL CHILDREN.

BELGRADE, Aug. 10.—King Peter's children, Crown Prince George, Princess Helena and Prince Alexander, arrived here today from St. Petersburg. The king awaited their coming at the station. The premier welcomed the crown prince, who expressed his delight at arriving on the soil of his forefathers. The royal party subsequently attended a deum at the cathedral.

SILVER-LEAD COMBINE

A Big Merger to Take in Mines of the the Cœur d'Alenes.

Rockefeller Interests Join in With Spokane Owners.

SPOKANE, Aug. 10.—Rockefeller interests have joined hands with Charles Sweeny of Spokane in forming the Federal Mining and Smelting company, with a capital of \$30,000,000, to control the Cœur d'Alene lead mines and engage in the smelting business. The deal, which is now being perfected in New York, is the most important merger that has ever been attempted in the mining industry since the flotation of Amalgamated Copper.

John A. Finch, representing the Standard and Mammoth mines of the Cœur d'Alenes, which will go into the combine, is now in New York perfecting details of the transfer. A. B. Campbell, Mr. Finch's partner, said today: "It looks now as if the consolidation will go through. I feel confident that the Rockefeller interests are behind it. The deal will take in the Rockefeller mines at Monte Christo and the Everett smelter, which are owned by them. The deal is on the stock of the Standard company, and is not for the property itself. I am not particularly anxious to see it go through, and I have not given any kind of an option on my personal holdings in the Standard. However, it looks now as if it will be closed."

The Standard company owns a three-eighths interest in the Mammoth, the neighboring property, which is also under option to the Sweeny-Rockefeller interests. The Mammoth is perhaps the most valuable silver-lead mine in the Cœur d'Alenes, and it is held at about \$2,000,000. It has been paying dividends of from \$30,000 to \$40,000 a month for the past three years and a half. The Standard company has paid up to date \$2,850,000 in dividends in 10 years.

It is expected that the Standard will be turned over to the new syndicate on the basis of about \$3 a share, or \$3,000,000 for the company's holdings. The consolidation will include also the Tiger-Poorman group at Burke, Idaho, and the Last Chance group at Wardner, Idaho, owned by the Empire State-Idaho company. It has an assured capital of \$5,500,000, and is paying dividends of six per cent a year. The three properties under one management form the largest silver-lead combination in the Cœur d'Alenes, which produces about 60 per cent of the argenteiferous lead mined in the United States.

The options on the Standard and the Mammoth were secured by Senator George Turner acting on behalf of Charles Sweeny.

THE IRISH LAND BILL.

Likely to be Read a Third Time in House of Lords Today.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—The report on the amendments to the Irish land bill were read in the house of lords tonight, and the bill will probably be passed to a third reading tomorrow. John Redmond, Nationalist, said to a representative of the Associated Press tonight: "The Irish land bill may now be regarded as past all danger. We may look upon it as an accomplished fact. If it works as is confidently hoped there is no question that it will effect a revolution in the condition of Ireland."

ABBÉ PEROSI'S SUCCESS.

ROME, Aug. 10.—Today being St. Lawrence's day, the name of Abbe Lorenzo Perosi, the director of the Sistine choir, and a close friend and protégé of Plus X, the pope sent him personal greetings, accompanied by an autograph note congratulating him on the music given by the Sistine choir during yesterday's coronation ceremony, most of which was composed by the abbe.

CHINESE REFORMERS.

Citizens May Go the Same Way as Editor Shen Chien.

TIEN-TSIN, Aug. 10.—The dowager empress is trying to remove the bad impression caused by the execution of Shen Chien, the reformist journalist, who was put to death by her order on July 31st, by issuing popular edicts, but the anti-reform movement continues threatening, even in the case of Viceroy Chan Chung, who remains hostile to Russian influence.

VON FLEHWE WAS FOOLED.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The Kieff, Russia correspondent of the Times says: A leading Russian employer estimates that the strike in Russia affected half a million men, and that the strength of the movement completely nullified the government authorities, especially Von Flehwe, minister of the interior, whose attempt to play off labor against capital resulted in his discomfiture.

GRAND FORKS RIDING.

GRAND FORKS, Aug. 10.—A convention of thirty-six delegates from various points in Grand Forks riding will be held here on Saturday for the purpose of nominating a Conservative candidate for the provincial legislature. George A. Fraser, president of the local Conservative association, has consented to allow his name to be submitted for the endorsement of the delegates.

FROM THE CAPITAL.

News from Northern Goldfields — The British Journalists.

VICTORIA, Aug. 10.—H. M. S. Amphion left Esquimalt today for Portsmouth, England, via the South American coast ports. The steamer Amur, which arrived tonight from Skagway, had three passengers on board who were from the new gold fields recently discovered on the Arkell river, 130 miles from Whitehorse. They say 400 claims have been staked. No one has reached bedrock. The majority of the stampedees were like themselves, being forced to come out owing to the fact that they had no provisions or tools.

Sluicing water is very scarce in Klondike, and men on Bonanza and Eldorado creeks were laid off until rain fell. A party of British journalists, including Neil Munroe, of the Glasgow News, Sydney Higham, of the London Daily Graphic, and eight other well known British journalists, arrived here tonight, completing a tour of Canada. They will spend several days visiting Vancouver island.

THE POPE CROWNED.

Grandest of all Catholic Ceremonies Took Place on Sunday.

ROME, Aug. 10.—The ceremonies of the coronation of Plus X took place yesterday in the basilica of St. Peter's in the presence of the princes and high dignitaries of the church, diplomats and Roman nobles, with all the solemnity and splendor which attends the most magnificent rite in the Roman Catholic church. As Cardinal Machi, the dean of the cardinal deacons, placed the triple crown on the head of the venerable pontiff the throng of seventy thousand persons gathered within the cathedral burst into unrestrained acclamations, the choir intoned a hymn and the bells of Rome rang out a joyful peal.

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There are believed to be many more bodies in the tunnel. Eighty-two bodies have been recovered from the trains which were buried last night on the Metropolitan Electric railway. The total number of victims is estimated at 90.

ENGLISH COAL MINERS.

Many Coming to Work in the Crown Nest Mines.

FERNIE, Aug. 10.—Many English miners are coming to Fernie. Last week a party of 20 arrived on one day and on Wednesday of this week 50 Durham men arrived. They reported that a party of 150 are due to land at Quebec this week, and that 500 altogether will be coming. Some dissatisfaction is caused by certain misrepresentations made to them by the Canadian emigration agent at Liverpool, and also that the company did not find immediate work for them. Places are rapidly being found for the men, however, and few are now idle.

SHAMROCK III.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—A small army of dockyard employees, besides her own crew and some of the crew of Shamrock I, swarmed about Shamrock III as she lay in dry dock in Erie Basin today, and began the task of putting her in trim for the cup races. She will be cleaned, repainted and re-engineered.

Captain Wryde does not expect to get her out of dry dock before next week. On Wednesday, the day before the first race with the Reliance, she probably will be measured by the official measurer of the New York Yacht club, to ascertain her racing length and decide whether either boat will have to give the other time allowance.

MAY BE SECRETARY OF STATE

LONDON, Aug. 10.—The Chronicle's Rome correspondent says this morning that an official who is well informed says Cardinal Sebastiano Martinelli will be appointed papal secretary of state.

CITY

(From Thursday's Daily.) John M. Smith, for the Royal Bank of Montreal Trust & Co. Some time ago a cot the institution was reorganized. In the paid-up capital of \$300,000 to \$1,000,000, to be opened at Toronto and Halifax, N. S. and friends will be of his accession to the post.

At the regular meeting of the Encampment No. 8 at Odd Fellows hall were royally introduced purple degree. The attendees, and great feasting in the conferr. Owing to a large number being on the list, the hold a special meeting evening, at which all degrees will be conferred. The charge of perjury Odams, proprietor of lodging house, was dismissed tomorrow. On the pre-judgment was taken, the presiding man, consideration the MacNeill, K. C., for the prosecution, an argument in support, that no corroborative testimony had been submitted, as per statute, to secure a court assembled yesterday announced that after testimony he had given was no evidence against a witness on the stand, dismiss the case preliminary.

A matrimonial event Rossland occurred at 11 o'clock in St. Paul's, nuptials of Miss Blanche J. Watson, bride is the second daughter of J. S. Segers, late of the company's steamship of Mrs. Frank D. Watson. Mr. Watson is occupying the Bank wedding took place, residence of Mrs. S. of the bride, 785 Day and Mrs. Watson will be at Minnetonka, Pymouth, returning to Rossland-Kootenay occupied by Bernard J. Several congratulatory forwarded by Rossland night.

(From Saturday's Daily.) A meeting of the executive of the summer carnival Monday afternoon at the completion of the program for the unwatering of the mine was completed last of the water from the 800 level, and completely dry, save for the condensation and is readily handled pumps.

A telegraphic dispatch Kenning and Campbellson in attendance on a low: "Bayne verification this morning skull chances did not statement cause of land friends the keenest.

A recent issue of the gram contains a long A. Campbell outlining after a 600 mile drive of the Territory the area as a county possibilities and reality of soil. Mr. Campbell of Rossland, and was first city council.

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Sunday's musical special and interest "Kyrle" will be the and the "Gloria" Flat. The "Gratie" Miss Edna Honey, "Credo" from Leonard Incarnatus" will be "Crucifixus" by M. and Thomas. The Leonard in B flat and by the same composer later will be sung by the "Agnus Dei" will Honey and Mrs. Tho of the entire service of Mrs. J. M. E.

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The celebration committee has decided to apply to the Conservative association for permission to use its committee rooms on Columbia avenue for the baby show.

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J. P. Harper, of Harper & McArthur, has returned from a visit to Kootenay, where he spent a fortnight on business and pleasure.

William Brown, landing water in the local customs office, died at Victoria on Tuesday last. The intelligence was not received here until last evening.

The Le Roi Two company distributed \$10,000 among its employees yesterday.

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T. A. Cameron has returned from a business trip to the Republic camp. G. H. Barnhart, of Nelson, late mill superintendent of the Ymir mine, is registered at the Hotel Allan.

The following assignments are recorded: G. H. Finlay and W. Francis, of Vancouver, loggers and commission merchants, trading as G. H. Finlay & Company, have assigned to J. J. Banfield, J. S. Nesbitt and H. Nesbitt, trading as the Nesbitt Electric company, Victoria, have assigned to D. H. Macdowell, Frank Spina, merchant, Ladysmith, has assigned to Annie Ryder.

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THE BOARD OF TRADE.

The Rossland board of trade seems to have fallen into a state of innocuous desuetude. For the last month or so there have not been enough members present at the regular meetings to constitute a quorum for business. There is no excuse for this deplorable lack of public spirit on the part of the business men of Rossland. How can they expect to accomplish any good for the camp and the surrounding district unless they are ever vigilant and active in stimulating business and safeguarding and promoting by every legitimate means the prosperity of the community? There are, and must always be in a new country like this, many live and important public questions that require thorough discussion, to the end that industry may be promoted and the country made more prosperous. There are also many matters in which it is the duty of a board of trade to advise and assist the various governing bodies of the country. We frequently hear complaints and protests against the indifference of both the Federal and provincial governments in attending to the public wants of the Kootenays. It is not to be expected that local needs hundreds of miles from Victoria and thousands from Ottawa will receive the proper attention unless vigorous and pertinent suggestions are forthcoming from the local board of trade. Rossland business men are not like they used to be a few years ago. They seem to have lost much of their former snap and energy. Unless they wake up and become more public spirited and enterprising they cannot expect to enjoy a full measure of prosperity. If Rossland merchants have cause for complaint against hard times, they are to some extent responsible for their plight by refusing to take a more intelligent and active interest in matters of public concern.

LIBERAL CAMPAIGN FUND.

It is reported that the Liberals have secured a \$50,000 campaign fund with which to debauch the electors of British Columbia next October. The Revelstoke Herald, a thoroughly reliable newspaper, vouches for the truth of this terrible state of affairs. This last move of the Liberals shows only too plainly the desperate straits they are in. Hopelessly beaten on every side by honest, clear-cut Conservatism, the Grits have sold out to the rich corporations which are desirous of continuing their nefarious practice of exploiting the province at the expense of the common people. The public is, however, thoroughly aroused, and it is safe to say that Liberal campaign funds will be spent in vain. The electors are determined to have an honest government after the next elections, and that is why they are going to return the Conservative party with a good working majority.

FUEL AND THE ORE TONNAGE.

A Boundary exchange notes the fact that sixteen mines in Rossland and the Boundary are now shipping ore at the rate of more than 3000 tons daily. Boundary mines and smelters alone could easily handle that much ore per diem with existing equipment, if sufficient coke were available. With three blast furnaces now being added to the Boundary smelter equipment there is a good chance of 4000 tons of ore being handled there each 24 hours before next winter—provided, of course, the Crow's Nest Coal company can supply the coke.

Meanwhile there are idle furnaces at Trail, Northport, Grand Forks, Greenwood and Boundary Falls, simply because the supply of coke is inadequate. The government should lose no time in permitting the opening up of the Flathead coal areas, so that the Crow's Nest coal monopoly may be broken and ample fuel be thereby made available at a cost greatly reduced from the present charges.

NELSON CONSERVATIVE.

The Conservative party is too firmly and too closely wedded to the cause of good government not to require the ablest and most conscientious nominees at the forthcoming elections. The time has passed when men of the stamp of Prior and Martin and McInnes and Houston shall represent the people in the provincial legislature. There must be no mincing of matters in this important crisis through which British Columbia is now passing. The province has declared for party lines, and urgently demands a more responsible and capable representation in the administration of its affairs. There are in both the Conservative and the Liberal party men available to meet the ideals and ideas of the electors of every constituency. We are not bothering about the Liberals, particularly, because they cannot hope to carry the country next October. We are, however, greatly concerned as to the character of every Conservative that is to be nominated on or after next August 15—the day set for nominations by the executive of the Provincial Conservative Association.

In practically every riding, excepting Nelson, the Conservative party may be safely relied upon to nominate men who are able and willing to do their whole duty to the people. In Nelson, however, there is a far from satisfactory, not to say healthy, state of affairs. John Houston—a questionable Conservative at best, albeit he has been accepted, even honored, in the councils of the party—is making an unseemly and mendacious bluff for the Conservative nomination. Houston's political record stinks in the nostrils of every good Conservative and every man, irrespective of party, who has the cause of good government at heart. His party fealty and his general political principles are open to serious question. He is known far and wide as a "practical" politician—a type that has been the curse and damnation of British Columbia for the last fifteen years. He has used and abused his friends solely for his personal advancement in politics. He has succeeded in shocking the political morality of not only Nelson but the entire province. His adherence to the Prior-Dunsmuir regime was simply monstrous. His connection with the C. P. R. has scandalized the district. He has never, to our knowledge, displayed any principle that stood for the genuine welfare of the masses or for constructive statesmanship. For the sake of votes he has pandered to the passions of the illiterate and to the intertemporal notions of the unthinking. He long ago outlived his political usefulness, and the Kootenays outgrew long ago any desire to act with him or for him in all matters of a public nature. Nelson has passed its Houstonsque stage. John Houston was a very considerable toad in Nelson's political puddle before it justly earned the title of Queen City of the Kootenays. At a period when Nelson was a scattered hamlet like Kuskonook and Cascade City are today, Houston might have been some pumpkins politically. Now, however, his environment has completely outgrown him, and in doing so is heartily sick of his chameleon-like nature may place him.

Houston may yet get the Conservative nomination in Nelson because of his bluffing and hoodwinking propensities; but the party should see to it that he is not so honored and that it is not so disgraced. The Miner is giving a conscientious support to the Conservative party and its leader, Hon. Richard McBride. It will continue to do so just as long as both are worthy of public confidence; but it strongly protests against the nomination or election of any man of Houston's stamp, and will continue in that course until the thirty-first day of next October.

We could, in this connection, give at this writing dozens of additional reasons why the Conservatives and the country do not need Houston's assistance in politics and statesmanship. We could refer to the parade that Houston has made of Dunsmuir's support through the editorial columns of the Colonist. We could show how Houston's attitude at the last session of the legislature, when he might have done justice to the local smelting industry and scores of East Kootenay coal prospectors by forcing ex-Premier Prior to open the East Kootenay reserves in a statesman-like manner, did the very opposite. We feel, however, that it is unnecessary to go to such lengths now because we cannot imagine that Nelson Conservatives will be so indiscreet and so hopelessly lost to the welfare of the party and the country as to recognize Houston's political ambitions when the day of nomination arrives.

BLAIR AND THE G. T. P.

According to Mr. Blair, ex-minister of railways in the Liberal government at Ottawa, the Grand Trunk Pacific is, at best, a hybrid scheme, involving the compromise of two antagonistic principles, and will be followed, as is usual with compromises of that kind, by unsatisfactory results. It will be difficult to explain why the government

should build the lean section of the railway and provide a company with government credit to enable it to build the fat section.

To the argument used with him and again employed by Sir Wilfrid in his speech in parliament the other day, that the road east of Winnipeg would become a national highway, Mr. Blair replied:

"It is wholly impracticable that this line could be so used by different railway companies. There must be some authorized body to work, not the trains, but the freight cars of the different railways, and generally to look after and operate the line. . . . The Grand Trunk Pacific will employ the men who will handle the traffic. The officers of the line will also be employed by the G. T. P., and the G. T. P. company will be in the field as a keen and active competitor for western traffic with the other companies which it is promised will desire to connect with the terminals at the end of the government-owned section. I will not go into the reasons, which are conclusive, but under these circumstances other companies, if they can find other means of reaching eastern points, will not utilize this road. For any present purpose it will suffice to say that in this opinion I believe I am absolutely correct."

It is not, then, because he adheres to the theory of a government line that he opposes the G. T. P. scheme, but because he regards that scheme as an impracticable compromise. The government is to build the "lean section" and to assist the company to build the "fat section," which it will then own as its private property, and the section the government builds cannot become even a national highway, because the G. T. P. will control it for fifty years and would have in its hands the traffic any of its competitors might decide to send over the line.

Two other objections Mr. Blair urged strongly. One was to the duplication of the Intercolonial, which he said was inexcusable and was not even asked for by the people of New Brunswick. And the other was to the "undue haste" with which the government was proceeding. "The project," he said, "is one of very great magnitude and should be dealt with only after the maturest deliberations." No road should be built which would cause "the destruction and depreciation" of the Intercolonial "until the need of such railway becomes apparent and proper surveys and an estimate of its cost are first made and thoroughly considered." And no road should be authorized to be built from Quebec to Winnipeg until parliament had been "asked for an amount to enable a thorough exploration of the country to judge whether or not a suitable traffic producing route could be found through this district, and its cost and the character and conditions of the country through which it is to pass ascertained." This is the simplest business provision, and the only explanation of the reckless haste of the government can be found, as the good old Liberal Witness says, "in the urgency of persons anxious to carry through the great scheme while their political friends are in power."

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

The Imperial Pacific cable seems to be pursued by a malignant fate. At its inception the idea of a state-owned cable joining the Empire by electric bonds was laughed to scorn. During its parliamentary steps the project had to fight its way against the fiercest antagonism on the part of the Eastern and Western Extension Cable companies, Sir John Pender's monopolies that held Australia under the heel. Influences of all kinds were set to work in the interested states of Great Britain, Canada and Australia to cause mischief and bring the project to a speedy if not very peaceful death. Even when it triumphed at last over the difficulties and obstacles raised against its construction, the cable was pursued by relentless and merciless antagonism. The previously existing line to Australia was duplicated, which it otherwise would not have been, so that if one cable gave out under the pressure of submarine conditions the other might be expected to keep up communication. Terminal and overland privileges were given to the company by the Australian state governments that seriously handicapped the Imperial enterprise of which the Commonwealth government was one of the owners. Then the Atlantic connection absorbed so large a part of the receipts as toll for messages passing over its section of wires that a serious inroad was made into any possible profits. Now there comes the announcement, made at the meeting of the Eastern Cable company this week, that it had undertaken, with its affiliated connection, the Eastern Extension company, to complete an entirely new cable between Great Britain and Australia via the Cape. There is already a cable connecting the Cape with Great Britain and Australia, and it is more than sufficient for the business done, it is quite likely that this latest attempt to damage the Pacific cable will recoil upon the promoters. The route that is proposed has been advocated before, through the

Indian ocean, touching Mauritius, Keesley islands and Perth. It does not hold out the prospect of much new business that cannot be handled effectively by the already existing cables of the world. It will annoy rather than seriously injure the Imperial project, which is pretty sure to emerge victorious from all the ordeals it has to pass through. In its difficulties may be seen something of an analogy to human life which, after being crushed for a time under evil influences and persons, arises above them to find the scope and rewards that are justly due to superior powers and high endeavor. When Shelly's Prometheus, chained upon the mountain of suffering for three thousand years, forgives the officers that tortured him, the furies are loosed for one last struggle to dominate him. It is to be hoped that, like Prometheus, the Pacific cable will escape the clutches of the furies, rise above the power that would conquer it, and achieve complete success.

SHIFTING GROUND.

The Vancouver World, the leading Grit organ at Vancouver, has abandoned its demand upon Mr. McBride for surrender of the people's timber and land to foreign speculators. It must, however, as the New Westminster Columbian wisely remarks, remain on record as an advocate of this unpatriotic policy, only abandoned when it became plain that the great mass of the electors commended the firm stand taken by the McBride administration.

Now the World says that it meant to have the ban on the exportation of logs lifted only for a special case—that is, so soon as the gentlemen petitioning should have served their customers on the other side of the line, the export door would have been shut against contemporaries not able to get their export rafts ready so quickly. A pretty scandal this would have made against the lands and works department—to give one set of loggers who came to market in July the privilege of export not available to their neighbors who had marketed in June or to others intending to offer in August or September. With a government of that kind in power, there would be no safety in business except for persons with a "pull," and we are confident that the present administration will never deserve reproach of that character. Their aim is to give stable government, and it is just as essential that there should be stability in the timber export law as that any other regulations affecting commercial affairs should be maintained. There probably is not an opposition candidate who would dare take up the World's advocacy of playing fast and loose with the timber regulations and in fact the cry in some quarters is against the premier for even taking time to consider the application.

BRITAIN'S SELF-APPOINTED GUARDIAN.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie seems to consider himself as a sort of guardian angel, who is to watch over the relations between Great Britain and the United States, although his warnings all seem to be directed to poor Britain, who, in his opinion, most frequently seems likely to go astray. His latest move is to take a hand in the Chamberlain tariff discussion and he writes to the London Times predicting that it will be found impossible for Britain to discriminate in favor of Canadian products against those of the United States without inaugurating a tariff war, wherein she will suffer defeat. The Times declares editorially that it thinks more highly of American instincts of fair play than to believe that an honest attempt to improve Britain's position without injuring the United States will call for the indignation Mr. Carnegie threatens. It further says that it is just possible Mr. Carnegie does not know quite everything about his countrymen, and this statement is borne out by the report coming from London, which says that "The Americans in London, as well as the best thinking people in the States, are justly indignant at the apparent presumption of Andrew Carnegie in attacking Canada, and pretending to speak for the People of the United States." Mr. Carnegie seems to be having a good deal of trouble in keeping Britain in her proper place, which apparently is that of a worthy and dignified but retired old lady, who is to keep herself discreetly in the background of the world's affairs, and content herself with harmless and gossip self-praise concerning her former greatness, or about the wonderful cleverness of her daughter Columbia, who has risen to take the place she formerly held, and to dominate the world.

LOCAL FIRE INSURANCE.

The city engineer has made a comprehensive and pertinent report to the mayor with regard to recent improvements that have been made in the city's water supply. The report has had publicity in these columns. With commendable promptitude His Worship has placed the report and some additional information concerning improved fire fighting facilities before the board

of fire insurance underwriters, in the hope that that organization may be induced to lower the insurance rate in Rossland.

There can be no doubt but that the present rate is unnecessarily high. It is not too much to say that it verges upon the exorbitant. Compared with any other town of its size in Canada or the United States, Rossland has no superior in the maintenance of fire protection. This city has a thoroughly up to date paid fire department. It is equipped with practically everything that the insurance companies have suggested. The town not only has an ample supply of water for fire emergencies, but it is stored in such a position as to give an exceptionally effective pressure in the congested districts. Besides this there is the able fire department maintained by the War Eagle and Centre Star mines at their private expense.

The city is burdened by a heavy debt contracted in the cause of fire protection. Added to this is the costly maintenance of a paid department. Yet, in spite of the excellent spirit manifested by the municipality, the board of fire underwriters treats property owners here with little or no consideration. Rossland has paid the insurance companies an enormous sum in premiums in the aggregate, and they are away ahead of the game. They would be out little or nothing if the whole town were destroyed by fire tomorrow.

Surely, in view of all this, Rossland is entitled to some substantial reductions. With all due deference to the insurance people, we see little use in maintaining such an efficient fire protection system if the town is not to derive a proportionate reduction in the insurance rates.

THE STAR CHAMBER AGAIN.

The Miner has frequently had occasion to voice public sentiment with regard to the propensity of the present city council to hold star chamber proceedings with a view to disguising or entirely withholding certain facts and information that are and should be public property.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a statement relative to civic affairs that should have come up for public discussion at the last meeting of the council. But it did not and the Miner was, of course, unable to furnish its readers with the particulars in the ordinary course of events. It therefore has been put to much unnecessary trouble, in order to glean the necessary information. These star chamber practices are both foolish and pernicious, are viewed with general disapproval and should and must be abandoned without further delay.

The present council is composed of two factions. One, headed by the mayor, constitutes a majority party of four, which is a unit on every question advocated by his worship. The minority three are a solid phalanx led by Alderman Daniel. There is much rivalry and bitterness between the two elements and an unconscionable amount of contemptible pettiness to boot. We explain these unsavory details only to show our readers the disabilities under which we labor in our endeavor to publish an accurate and unbiased account of events of public interest that originate in the city hall. Hence our objection to star chamber proceedings.

There is altogether too much trimming and untoward and stupid secrecy in the deliberations of the city council. It is not to be supposed for a moment that either The Miner or the general public desires to see or know of a discussion that could be construed as inimical to public policy. All that is desired is an upright and outspoken attitude on all matters of public interest. The ratepayers generally insist upon it, and the popular supposition is that the mayor and aldermen were elected to comply with the wishes of a majority of the community.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

There is a defective sewer in Opera House alley. He who runs may smell. The stench is unbearable. At this season of the year it is a serious menace to the public health. The annual reports of Sanitary Inspector Long have dealt repeatedly with the nuisance. Yet nothing has been done by the authorities to remedy the defect. Dozens of people have made complaint about this matter to the editor of The Miner, who, in turn, has referred them to the proper authorities. Yesterday a brief inspection fully bore out the contention of all complainants and the matter was brought directly to the attention of Chairman Armstrong of the public works. Mr. Armstrong assured The Miner that prompt and satisfactory attention will be paid to the complaint.

It seems that thorough and permanent repair of the sewer in question will entail the expenditure of a considerable sum of money. This is the real reason why the sewer was not put in good order long ago. The chief excuse has been that the city could not afford to make the necessary outlay. No; the city cannot afford to expend money on necessary sanitary improvements. The money is needed for more

important purposes. The mayor, city solicitor and six aldermen must first draw preposterous salaries for their well-meant, but often doubtful, services. The aldermen must get their \$5 or more for each weekly (also weekly) attempt to run some things. The mayor must have his \$1000 per annum for attempting to run everybody and everything. The city solicitor is to be promptly paid the munificent sum of \$840 a year to appear at rare intervals in some trifling police court proceedings of a fleeting nature.

The city council, as constituted at present, is woefully deficient in its ability to do the right thing at the right time. The members were elected on a ticket with reform and economy as its cardinal principles. Their reforms have been of questionable nature; their economies have proved a delusion and a snare. There has been more bungling and less benefits during 1903 than in any year since the days of the Scott regime. The present city solicitorship is a glaring instance of this. It is safe to say that the \$500 that would have been saved in this single instance, if the council had acted in accordance with The Miner's suggestions, would almost have paid for the much needed sewer in Opera House alley. The \$2800 paid to the mayor and aldermen would have gone a long way towards making up an inevitable deficit this year. Then, too, there is the colossal mismanagement of this year's assessment roll. But, for the present, why enumerate more shortcomings? These we now recite are enough to condemn any city council in times like the present.

PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

According to recent London dispatches, Chamberlainite journals admit that the Canadian trade returns for the last fiscal year, published the other day, tell powerfully for preferential trade. They especially note the advance of 20 per cent in Canada's imports from Britain, whereas similar imports from the United States have only increased 14 per cent. Moreover, the dutiable imports from the Motherland have more than doubled since the establishment of the preferential tariff, the increase being \$20,000,000 during the six years of its operation, whereas during the immediately preceding six years they decreased \$11,000,000.

Sir Edmond Barton having cabled to Mr. Chamberlain that he has no objection to the publication of the minutes of the preferential trade discussion at the colonial conference, for which Sir Michael Hicks-Beach is pressing, Sir Wilfrid Laurier's answer to Mr. Chamberlain's suggestion regarding their publication is awaited with interest. It is understood that it was the peculiarity of the French-Canadian position, which at that time was somewhat acute, owing to the war, and the difficulties of Canadian manufacturers under the preferential tariff that induced the Canadian ministers to put an embargo upon the publication of the details. Anti-Chamberlainites are making a great point of Canada's state bounties as being of the character which Mr. Chamberlain's policy is designed to abolish. Sir William Vernon Harcourt has addressed a special question on the subject to Mr. Chamberlain, who gives details of the bounties, and adds that the question of bounties was not discussed at the colonial conference.

THE MILITIA.

According to Samuel Gompers, the well known American labor leader, "a man who is a wage earner and honorably working at his trade or calling to support himself and those dependent upon him, has not only the right to become a citizen soldier, but that right must be unquestioned."

The militia, i. e., the citizen soldiery of this country, supplies what otherwise might take its place—a large standing army.

The difference between the citizen soldiery of Canada and the large standing armies of several European countries is the difference between freedom and despotism—it is the difference between the conceptions of liberty and tyranny.

While some labor organizations may stand against the arbitrament of international or internal disputes by force of arms, yet they must realize we have not reached the millennium; that in the age in which we live we have not the choice between armed force and absolute disarmament, but the alternative of a large standing army and a small one supplemented by a volunteer citizen soldiery.

We must have law and order, and this can best be assured by a reserve force of militia.

After all has been said in defence of the Trail and Nelson smelters, the simple confession has to be made that they are not in a position to treat ore at a figure so low as the American smelters. This cannot be disputed. It is a fact that both sides accept. But it does not explain why the home smelters do not make an effort to improve their facilities for handling the ore output more reasonably.—New Denver Ledger.

POPLAR CREEK

There is a growing opinion that the discovery in the Poplar Creek, Lardeau, of a big free gold ore discovered in and very few of the veins, while not formed and traceable distances along the surrounding country geological disturbances considered as detrimental. The camp is, developed, except for holes, but enough rich to justify extension without further delay. That Poplar Creek was in the present season, several months of good prospectors in that winter sets in, so that an exploratory nature year. By next November have a very fair idea of the new camp.

The new Lardeau mine none too soon. Passing close proximity to Poplar Creek, a great quantity in supplies and is every indication at the road will be kept on with Poplar Creek. It is reasonable to expect recent discoveries will be a factor in the revival of the Kootenays, and that such will be the better prospecting over than right here in ish Columbia. The Ministry believes that this contains many undiscovered as rich as Rossland, the dary Creek, Ymir and All that is needed to produce is systematic exploration.

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POPULAR CREEK.

There is a growing conviction among the well informed that the recent gold discoveries in the neighborhood of Poplar Creek, Lardeau, have the makings of a big free gold camp. Much of the ore discovered is fabulously rich and very few of the ledges are barren. The veins, while not large, are well formed and traceable for considerable distances along the outcrops. The surrounding country appears free from geological disturbances that might be considered as detrimental in their nature. The camp is, of course, undeveloped, except for a few prospect holes, but enough rich ore has been exposed to justify extensive development without further delay. It is fortunate that Poplar Creek was discovered early in the present season. There are still several months of good weather ahead of prospectors in that region before winter sets in, so that much work of an exploratory nature will be done this year. By next November we should have a very fair idea of the merits of the new camp.

The new Lardeau railway was built none too soon. Passing as it does in close proximity to Poplar Creek, it will be found a great convenience in getting in supplies and machinery. There is every indication at this writing that the road will be kept busy from now on with Poplar Creek traffic. It is reasonable to expect that these recent discoveries will be an important factor in the revival of prospecting in the Kootenays, and it is to be hoped that such will be the case. There is no better prospecting field the world over than right here in Southern British Columbia. The Miner conscientiously believes that this broad section contains many undiscovered camps just as rich as Rossland, the Slocan, Bounded Creek, Ymir and Poplar Creek. All that is needed to prove their existence is systematic and intelligent exploration.

STAY BY THE STUFF.

If you desire to find the successful prospector or miner, go over this or any other camp and search out the man who believes in staying by the stuff. If you have a prospect for sale and can show ore, the placing of the proposition will not be difficult. But if you tell a mining man that you believe with so much tunneling or crosscutting you will have ore, he will tell you to go ahead and demonstrate your theory, and if you win out then he will step in and do business. Mining men who are mining men have to be shown. The prospector can not afford to leave his ore, the one source of the property's wealth.

Stay by the stuff! Hire competent men. Competent men know why mining companies have failed and why they have succeeded. Your company should succeed. It is to your credit. Stay by the stuff!

A PERNICIOUS PRACTICE.

There is bitter complaint made in Rossland, as in other places in this province, against the pernicious practice which so largely obtains of sending to eastern department stores for goods that can be secured locally, to as great or greater advantage. Any person who closely analyzes this stupid fashion must confess to a feeling of surprise that it should prevail as it does. Those who do their shopping in this way are receiving themselves if they fancy they gain anything by it in the long run. A nine cases out of ten they would get better value for their money by patronizing the merchants of the town. In the other few cases, where a profit of a few cents is to be made by sending the cash east, there is an indirect damage done to the town that far more than counterbalances the small amount of gain. So even putting the matter on the lowest ground, the person who gives the local merchants the go-by to help enrich some eastern "sweatshop" dealer is playing a very poor game.

But the desire to save a few cents on a purchase is not always the ruling motive. In a great many cases the resort to the eastern establishment is merely a fad, which one person must needs follow because some neighbor follows the way. There is perhaps little utility in attempting to reason with people who have been so completely deluged with the gift of intelligence that they cannot see where to go without a leader. There is also the old and oft-quoted circumstance that "far off fields look green." Incredible though it might seem, many people prefer the eastern goods for no other reason than that they come from a distance. When this fancy is followed to the extent of paying a higher price for an article of poorer quality—as is very frequently the case—it becomes a rather expensive luxury.

Even if there were a small advantage to be reaped from patronizing the eastern house, the man or woman imbued with local pride and patriotism to the proper degree would choose to forego it and make the small sacrifice of a few cents for the sake of building up the town. The financial strength of the community is affected by every purchase that is made elsewhere. When such purchases amount to hundreds in a season the aggregate is considerable.

Let every person in Rossland do all his or her marketing at home and the difference would be appreciable in the course of a year. The people who now adopt the other course would do themselves quite as much good as their neighbors if they would only reform. Let them think a little and they will perhaps be able to see that they are now cheating themselves and robbing the whole community.

ONE BRITON WHO IS UNAFRAID.

A British manufacturer, who has been traveling in America, Mr. James Weir, head of the engineering firm of G. & J. Weir, Limited, Holm Foundry, Cathcart, near Glasgow, is very evidently not one of those who are afraid that Britain is going to lose her commercial supremacy, or who believes that the American is of necessity superior in cleverness or business methods to his British rival. He is now in Canada. In an interview he is quoted as saying that in Britain every one is busy. His firm have just spent about one million dollars in enlargements and improvements, and in spite of this, they are taxed to the utmost to complete orders. He does not fear the competition of the world, but thinks Chamberlain's plan can be used as a club for the nations which persist in putting tariff walls up against Britain.

When asked about American competition against Britain, Mr. Weir said it did not amount to a row of pins. His own firm were leaders in pumping machinery, and what is known as auxiliary machinery for ships and other large plants. They beat American firms in all parts of the world. In many cases American machinery was being thrown out as old iron, and was being replaced by British-made machinery. His firm were now engaged on work for yachts of American gentlemen, who frankly admitted that they preferred to pay the 45 per cent duty levied on British machinery, which for the purpose required was superior to American. Many similar orders for the very best machinery for America were placed in Britain. It is very evident that Mr. Weir at least is not worrying over approaching ruin, either personal or national, from American competition. British enterprise, British courage, and British skill and thoroughness can make a fight for trade that will take a mortal lot of smartness in any nation to beat.

POORLY PAID SCIENTISTS.

Writing to the Engineering and Mining Journal, P. Kirkegard, of the Deloro mines, Ontario, pays a well merited tribute to the Geological Survey of Canada. After pointing to the value of the work done by its members he makes this reference to the small rate of remuneration which they enjoy: "Another fact which proves that the work of the geologist is valued for its economic character is that our most efficient government officials are constantly being enticed away by private companies, who offer much higher remuneration. One may well ask this question: Why is it that the government—considering it as a board of directors acting for and responsible to the people of the country, the owners of the assets and the stockholders directly interested—persistently refuse to recognize the value of highly skilled professional men's service, when private corporations only representing the interest of a comparative few find it true economy and to the best interests of their stockholders to pay these men adequate salaries? Instances of this are seen in the case of Mr. J. B. Tyrell, now in the Klondike, and Mr. McEvoy, with the Crow's Nest Coal company."

The Journal offers these comments on the view advanced by Mr. Kirkegard: "Emphasis is given to this view when we have to confess that one aspect of the case which Mr. Kirkegard regrets at Quebec is paralleled at Washington, namely, that the members of the national surveys and those who might desire to join them are frequently taken away from scientific pursuits by corporations, which offer much higher salaries. It is a thousand pities that governments cannot act after the manner of corporations, and exhibit an adequate recognition of the value of good service. We are aware, of course, that when a scientific or technical man has one eye on his duty and another on an increase of salary, he is scarcely the single-minded seeker after truth who is likely to do the best scientific work. Pot-hunting in sport and salary-chasing in technical science are equally subversive of character and, in the end, of results. It is unfortunate that the dedication of a life to the disinterested scientific research which benefits a whole community should so often require a man to attain old age almost in poverty; it is equally regretful, on the other hand, that fine capacities should become debauched by huge salaries, simulating the lust for that money which represents the brute power of the modern world. There should be a median line between these extremes—extremes which we see illustrated daily in the respective scientific and industrial departments of human activity. Civilization has progressed but blindly unless it appreciates the advisability of recognizing in a more practical

way the services of the men to whom, after all it owes the rise of its many storied structures from the swamp of savagery." The Engineering and Mining Journal makes a curious blunder when it locates the capital of the Dominion at Quebec. Otherwise its philosophizing is entirely acceptable.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

By making people irritable, the heat itself is often able to create coolness between friends.

That some men have greater ability than others is a fact of nature which no human law or custom can overcome. Don't worry if you meet opposition when you suggest improvements. No improvement was ever made that was not opposed by some one.

The property in radium which gives forth light is said to be helium. We should have thought that it would give heat.

Mr. Schwab's retirement from the head of the U. S. Steel trust proves that even a self-made man finished by Andrew Carnegie cannot long defy the laws of nature and of high finance.

Hot winds have been prevailing throughout the coast district of B. C., and this with "Joe" Martin not saying a word. Naturally, the weather prophets of the vicinity are puzzled.

The fact remains that John L. Retailack deserves, after his attempts to boom the Slocan and the silver-lead industry of British Columbia, something better than the Liberal nomination for the Kaslo district in the forthcoming elections.

Viewed from every standpoint, the fact remains that not enough provision was made for cheap transportation rates over the Grand Trunk Pacific. The railway company has too much to say on this all-important question and the business men of British Columbia and the Northwest Territories too little.

It is highly gratifying to know that everything is working smoothly in Britain's new colonies in South Africa. The Imperial government is doing its best to promote prosperity and there is greater evidence of industry and thrift than was ever seen there before. The absolute freedom enjoyed under the British flag is appreciated.

"It is beginning to appear," says the Toronto Mail & Empire, "that in the designing and navigating of small yachts Uncle Sam is not at present in Canada's class." Eight times we have now defeated American challengers for the American cup offered for the 25-footers. The contest for the yachting trophy of the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Club of New York has grown steadily in international interest. Since it fell into Canadian hands increasing efforts have been put forward to regain it, but without avail.

The party of violence has never obtained anything for Ireland except hard usage. It has delayed, half a century at least, the advancement of the Irish cause, because it furnished apparent proof to parliament that the Irish people are unfit for self-government and that greater liberty would entail unlimited license and a reign of crime and bloodshed.

The New York Sun expresses the opinion that the American farmers who have lately flocked into our western territories will reinforce the general protection sentiment of the country. Although as agriculturists and consumers they had, while citizens of the United States, a strong class interest in cheap goods, and though at times free trade ideas made more or less headway amongst them, they were all pretty well converted to protectionism before they started for Canada. They will, therefore, not take it amiss if they find that policy prevailing here. The Sun, which is treating us very well these days, does not hint that they will be other than very good Canadian citizens.

The London Daily Telegraph is publishing a series of articles on "Imperial Reciprocity" by a writer who very ably upholds Mr. Chamberlain's ideas of a preferential tariff for Britain. He takes the ground that as the manufacturers of the States and Germany are so rapidly gaining on British manufacturers both in foreign countries and in the home market, it will be necessary for Britain if she wishes to retain her position to take steps by means of mutual preferential tariffs to secure to herself the colonial markets, where alone she is holding her own against these active competitors. The whole question promises to be very thoroughly discussed in the campaign which seems to be approaching in Britain.

British Columbia, particularly the northeastern portion, is known to be rich in mica. There are enormous deposits of this useful and valuable material

near the headwaters of the Fraser river and in the Peace river country. It is said to be of very high quality. A fair grade of mica is worth \$750 per ton. At this figure there is no great need to wait for railways in order that mica mining may flourish in this province. In Brazil, where transportation facilities are wanting and the mining methods most antiquated, the cost of mining and packing mica for market and transportation to the nearest railway is estimated at \$250 per ton. Freight taxes and other expenses amount to another \$70, which, however, still leaves a satisfactory margin of profit on the market price of \$750.

The text of the agreement between the Liberal government and the G. T. P. shows that the Grand Trunk is not limited to guaranteeing bonds for one-quarter of the cost of the western division. The government is to guarantee for three-quarters of the cost up to \$13,000 per mile on the prairie section and \$30,000 per mile on the mountain section, and the Grand Trunk is to guarantee "the balance required for the construction of the same western division." So that if the G. T. P. promoters can figure out their cost at more than \$17,333 per mile on the prairie section, for example, they can get the government to guarantee \$13,000 and the Grand Trunk the balance, which may be much greater than one-quarter of the whole. Under these conditions it is practically certain the promoters will make their cost run up to the full amount of their bonding powers, or \$20,000 per mile on the prairie section, and when they add to this the \$36,666 per mile of capital stock the fixed charges against the prairie section will be upon \$46,666 per mile.

Conservatives on both sides of the Atlantic desire to see Mr. Chamberlain's preferential policy win out. Its adoption means a distinct and direct benefit to Canada, a closer union of the Empire, and increased prosperity for everybody living under the British flag.

The Brooklyn, N. Y., attorney who ran a domestic menage in three cities and so successfully that each of his wives maintains he was an ideal husband and father, might be prevailed upon to part with his secret to some benefactors who find it difficult to live peacefully with one wife.

Even the naughty barber who holds the heads, if not the destinies of men, in his hands, has troubles of his own. A member of the tonsorial profession in Indiana was called to account by a local union for massaging the scalp of a customer after regular business hours, and when he pleaded in extenuation that massage and "barbing" were two different things and could not properly be classified under the one head, so to speak, he was promptly arrested by the local authorities of the town and fined twenty-five dollars for practicing medicine without a license.

THE HURRICANE'S WORK.

Lives Were Lost and Much Property Destroyed. WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—The state department today received a dispatch from Connel Jewell, at Fort de France, Martinique, dated yesterday, confirming the press reports of the disastrous cyclone in that island. The dispatch says: "A terrific cyclone visited the entire island at midnight Saturday. Great damage to crop and fruits. Many houses unroofed. Trees two feet thick uprooted. One man killed, consulate intact. At Trinite seven were killed. Many houses destroyed. Smaller towns damaged. New village of Tivoli La Haye, Fournouls and Reculee destroyed, rendering five thousand sufferers by last year's catastrophes again homeless. Reports from interior of island indefinite. Great discouragement."

IRISH LAND BILL.

Passed the Third Reading in the House of Lords.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The House of Lords today passed the third reading of the Irish land bill.

Prior to the third reading of the bill the Duke of Devonshire said while he was unable to forecast the action of the house of commons on the landlords' amendments adopted by the house of lords he was confident that the position of the government in the lower house would not be altogether irreconcilable.

Lord Abercorn, on behalf of the landlords, thanked the duke for his courteous reception of the amendments and said he believed the bill would be of benefit to the whole of Ireland. He trusted that the amendments would be received by the house of commons in the same spirit as they had been by the lords.

WELSH COAL CASE.

English Appeal Court Gives Judgment in Favor of Owners.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The appeal court by a majority of 2 to 1 reversed the decision of Justice Bingham, who on August 3rd, 1902, in a case where the Welsh coal owners' association sued the miners' federation for \$500,000 damages for ordering stop days without consulting the owners, decided in favor of the defendants on the ground that there was no malice in the action of the men, who believed that a reduction of the output would benefit both parties. The question was referred back to Justice Bingham.

NEWS FROM THE EAST

Mr. Blair States His Objections to the Grand Trunk Scheme.

Finances of the Intercolonial Show an Improvement.

OTTAWA, Aug. 11.—Mr. Blair spoke in the house this morning on the resolutions for the building of the national transcontinental railway. He severely criticized the measure, and said that it was undertaken with undue haste. At the start he denied that Sir Wilfrid Laurier asked him to remain quietly in the government while at the same time feeling hostile to the railway policy. That was not true.

Mr. Blair said he favored a national line, but the one proposed was not such. He said the premier stated that they could not wait. He (Blair) asked if Senator Cox would not wait. If parliament did not want to wait the country did. The work, in the opinion of Mr. Blair, was a case of hysteria, as he would not say that any of his colleagues were actuated by other than worthy motives.

Mr. Blair then took up the premier's statement about the road being necessary in case of the abrogation of the bonding privileges. That was not so. Canada had already two roads, one a government line, which left it independent of the bonding privileges. But the United States government knew the bonding privilege was just as beneficial to them as to Canada. He characterized this as a frenzied appeal to the people because no better argument could be found. He was loth to declare that the people of Canada were at the mercy of the United States. He declared that the contract had to be adopted in full or rejected. He said there was no cry for a transcontinental railway from British Columbia or any other provinces. He ridiculed the idea of other lines being able to utilize the government section. The government ought to own and operate it.

It was learned at the department of railways that the earnings of the intercolonial railway for the fiscal year ending June 30 last were \$6,234,327 and the working expenses \$6,196,150, leaving a surplus of \$38,177. This is even better than was predicted. In 1898 the receipts were \$2,759,800. The receipts in the year 1901-02 were \$5,371,385, or \$36,222 greater than the working expenses.

A. F. Low left yesterday for Halifax to take charge of the expedition which starts from there on the 15th inst for Hudson's Bay. At a cabinet meeting on Saturday Chief Justice Killam of Manitoba was appointed to the supreme court of Canada in place of Justice Armour. The appointment has been well received here. Justice Duffie, of the court of King's bench, Manitoba, has been promoted to the chief justiceship of the province.

The Grand Trunk Pacific charter was read in the house today. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that the government policy was that the bill would be taken up and the discussion continued until exhausted.

GALT, Aug. 11.—John Hallock, 55 years old, was crushed to death this morning while at work in the molding shop of Goldie and McCullough, a side of iron chills falling on him.

DUTTON, Ont., Aug. 11.—Frank Raison, a farm laborer, was found dead at the foot of a ladder leading to the loft of a barn on the farm of R. G. Garbutt this morning. He is supposed to have missed his footing while descending and fell, his head striking the floor, cracking his skull.

GUELPH, Aug. 11.—Ann Hune, six years old, was shot and instantly killed by her brother, twelve years old, yesterday, who accidentally discharged a shotgun.

MONTREAL, Aug. 11.—Senator Cox today resigned the vice-presidency of the Dominion Iron and Steel company. It is expected that this will be the only change in the company as a result of the dissolution of the leases with the coal company.

HAMILTON, Ont., Aug. 11.—Charles Vosper murdered his wife this morning about 6 o'clock by shooting her through the head. He then turned the revolver on himself and committed suicide.

IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION. Report of the British Royal Commission Made Public.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The report of the royal commission on alien immigration was issued today. It recommends that the immigration of certain classes of aliens into the United Kingdom be subject to state contract, and proposes a number of regulations and the establishment of a department of good immigration.

The specific recommendations made in the report are similar to the provisions of the United States law, except that no educational requirements are proposed. In some directions the regulations are more stringent than the American regulations. Provisions are made for the deportation of immigrants who may grow to be undesirable within two years after they land, and the vessels importing them will be compelled to repatriate them without compensation. The proposed medical inspection is similar to that in the United States. The penalty for supplying false data to the

immigration inspector is deportation. The immigration department may specify certain over-populated areas as prohibited territory for fresh immigrants. In case of the conviction of an immigrant for felony or misdemeanor the court may include deportation as part of the sentence.

ST. LAWRENCE WORK

TRIBUNAL HEARS CANADA'S PETITION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A DAM.

THE PROPOSED WORK OBJECTED TO BY THE OWNER OF AN ISLAND.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Aug. 11.—By order of the United States government the official engineers in this district held a public hearing today to ascertain whether the construction of a dam across the channel between Adams and Galoupe islands will materially affect the level of Lake Ontario or the rights of citizens of the United States.

The Canadian government has constructed a new channel to the head of St. Lawrence rapids, and finding that strong cross currents interfered with traffic in the channels by forcing many vessels aground, has petitioned the United States government for leave to construct a dam three hundred feet long at low level to obviate the difficulty.

A. W. Fraser, king's counsel for the Canadian government, T. S. Rubidge, superintendent of the Canadian canals, and his assistant, A. L. Kelly of Ottawa, J. C. Quinto, assistant engineer, of Oswego, Senator M. R. Maury, representing the George Hall company and other representatives of American farmers appeared in favor of the plan. It was opposed by Alban Dawson, owner of Galoupe island, who claimed that the erection of the dam would raise the water level three feet, causing a strong current, and also that the water would overflow about sixty acres of the island. Mr. Dawson filed an objection to further proceedings before Major Bingham. He will also contest the constitutionality of the act of congress placing the consent or rejection of permission to construct the dam with the secretary of war.

THE IRISH VISIT.

Honors Conferred by the King on a Large Number of Men.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—A large number of promotions and appointments to the Royal Victorian order in connection with the king's visit to Ireland are gazetted today. They include Lord Londonderry and Lord Dudley as Knights Grand Cross, and Lord Charles Beresford, Right Honorable Horace Curzon Plunkett, Sir Anthony Patrick McDonnell and a number of Irish officials as knights commander. Thirty-seven officers of the army, navy, Irish constabulary and police are made commanders or members of fourth or fifth class of the Royal Victorian order.

SECRETARY ROOT.

His Resignation to be Left in the Hands of the President.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Before United States Secretary of War Root sails for London to sit with the Alaskan commission he will place his resignation in the hands of President Roosevelt in order that the president may appoint a secretary of war, if it is deemed necessary, during Mr. Root's absence. It is expected, however, that the resignation will not be acted upon until after congress meets. The appointment of Mr. Root's successor will depend somewhat upon the length of time that Secretary Root will be engaged upon the Alaskan commission.

A STEAMER'S MISHAP.

Struck a Rock While Going Through Belle Isle Strait.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., Aug. 11.—The British steamer Homeles, Montreal for Fleetwood, which went ashore at Point Riche, Belle Isle Strait, on August 7th, arrived today for repairs. She was floated off the rocks at high tide last Saturday with the aid of the British warship Fantome, and arrived here under her own steam. Divers say that there is no hole in her bottom, but that she is badly indented where she struck on the ledge and is leaking considerably.

ELECTRICAL COMBINES.

BERLIN, Aug. 11.—A statement is published here today, evidently from information given by Privy Councillor Ribenaub, managing director of the Algemeine Elektrizitaets company, regarding the object of his forthcoming visit to the United States. According to the statement he will conduct negotiations for the delimitations of the spheres of interest of the Algemeine Elektrizitaets company and the General Electric company in neutral countries, thus averting competition.

A SMALL SALMON PACK.

SEATTLE, Aug. 11.—With only 97,750 cases of sockeye salmon on the ground and indications pointing to an early close of the season, there is every reason to fear that the salmon pack this year will be a practical failure. This is the opinion of Charles Corby, manager of the Pacific Selling company. The pack of less than 98,000 cases this year shows a shortage of almost 125,000 as compared with the catch last year at this time.

YELLOW JACK IN MEXICO.

ORIZABA, Aug. 11.—The yellow fever is increasing in the surrounding villages. MEXICO CITY, Aug. 11.—The yellow fever is abating in Merida, Yucatan, and fears of an epidemic are diminishing.

ITS GROWING TIME

NUMEROUS INDICATIONS OF INCREASED ACTIVITY IN SILICOAN DISTRICT.

SOME DETAILS AS TO PRESENT OPERATIONS AMONG MINES.

(From Thursday's Daily.) The effect of the bounty on lead produced in Canada is becoming steadily more noticeable throughout the Silicoan. The country is rapidly opening up, and whereas the district was in a semi-paralyzed condition a few months since, reports are now to hand from various sources pointing to the increasing activity that promises to be characteristic of the district as soon as the full benefit of the bounty can be utilized.

From a well known Silicoan mining man, The Miner has the following notes on present conditions: The Jackson mine, which has not been operated for the past three or four years, has resumed work. It is employing fifteen to twenty men and is milling sixty tons of ore daily. The Antelope, an adjoining property, belonging to the same company, is stopping in a two foot lead of clean ore and has in contemplation a deep level tunnel to open up the vein at a depth of some 1000 feet. The approximate cost of this work is \$20,000, and the exceedingly high grade ore justifies the outlay. The Silicoan Star has struck a new shoot of ore on the Silversmith lead. The shoot is four feet in width, two feet of which is clean and averaging 170 ounces of silver per ton in carload lots. The property is working forty men and will increase its crew steadily. The same company has opened up a property that has lain dormant for the past ten years—the Noorduyn on Cady creek. Bruce White is in charge of the work, and a report is current that a strong shoot of high grade ore has already been encountered. Everyone is familiar with the fact that in recent days W. W. Warner, a pioneer miner of the Silicoan, has picked up a two foot lead of 110 ounces on the well known Miller creek property.

At the Idaho an aerial tramway is contemplated to connect the lower adit with the loading station on the Canadian Pacific at Alamo. The present surface tramway is regarded as having outlived its usefulness, and the proposed new tram line will very substantially facilitate the extensive shipping operations which, continued development for the past two years has placed the Idaho in shape to inaugurate. The American Boy is working fifteen men and shipping regularly. On Sunday last two cars were shipped, the Noble Five tramway being utilized to get the product to the railroad. The company is in excellent shape, having cash in the bank, ore in sight and ore in transit.

The Payne under the management of Alfred C. Gende, E. M., is entitled to the distinction of being Silicoan's premier mine. Its crew numbers ninety, and 300 tons of concentrates are being shipped monthly to the Trail smelter. The completion of the zinc saving plant has been unfortunately delayed through loss of the separator, which went to the bottom of the Missouri river in the recent floods. Six months may be required to replace the missing machinery, and the inauguration of zinc separating in the Silicoan is deferred by exactly this period, a fact which is deeply to be regretted.

The Rambler-Cariboo employs about 90 men, and makes shipments averaging 500 tons of concentrates monthly. The mill is running night and day, and it is estimated that a product running about \$75 per ton is being sent to the smelter. A new tunnel is being run to tap the vein at a considerably lower depth, and a flume nearly two miles in length is being constructed to furnish water for the operation of a proposed new compressor plant, which will do away with the expensive teaming of fuel from the railroad to the mine.

MUCH ALARM FELT

ROSSLAND DOCTORS GO TO AT-TEND GEORGE H. BAYNE.

HIS CONDITION IS CRITICAL AND THE WORST IS NOW FEARED.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The friends of George H. Bayne, whose experiences under the claws of a silver-tip bear last week have brought him to death's door, are greatly agitated over his condition. Last evening Doctors Campbell and Kenning left for Ferguson to consult on Mr. Bayne's case. Their report will be awaited with great anxiety by friends here and elsewhere.

The interest manifested in Mr. Bayne's case is remarkable. Expressions of sympathy are heard on all sides. Late Tuesday night a telegraphic message was received from Ferguson to the effect that septic meningitis was feared. This is taken as indicating that the preliminary symptoms of blood poisoning in the vicinity of the brain have set in. Should this aspect of the case develop the patient's condition will be extremely precarious. The latest telegram from Ferguson reads as follows: "Bayne very low. No worse. Consultation tomorrow if condition not improved. Brother will be here Friday. Medical attendance good. (Signed) "W. DONALD."

Andrew Bayne of Halifax, a brother of the injured man, arrived in Revelstoke last night, and will reach his brother's bedside today. Eastern friends and relatives have telegraphed

half a dozen messages to acquaintances in Rossland asking for details as to Mr. Bayne's condition. Such information as was available has been forwarded in each case. Doctors Campbell and Kenning will reach Ferguson this evening. A consultation will be held with the attending physician immediately and every means adopted to stay the course of the septic symptoms.

VICTORIA TO COME

VANCOUVER LACROSSE CLUB FAILS, AND VIC'S COME INSTEAD.

CHANGE WILL NOT AFFECT THE QUALITY OF SUMMER CARNIVAL LACROSSE.

(From Thursday's Daily.) The crack Victoria lacrosse club will meet Nelson here during the summer carnival instead of the Vancovers, as was originally arranged. Yesterday the Vancouver men wired that owing to a rearrangement of some schedule, apparently affecting games to be played at the coast, although this was not stated in the message, their team could not fill the engagement here during the celebration.

This put the celebration committee in a quandary, which was speedily and satisfactorily dissipated. Soon after a telegram of remonstrance had been sent to Vancouver a letter came to hand from Victoria, that solved the problem satisfactorily. Victoria offered to come here for the celebration dates if the committee would put up the expenses of the team, which were estimated at \$75, a substantial reduction from the expenditure necessary to bring in Vancouver. Victoria has a fast lacrosse team, almost, if not quite, as strong as Vancouver, and the committee was intensely relieved to receive their sportsmanlike offer, after the failure to arrange with New Westminster and Vancouver's unexpected disappointment. A telegraphic message was immediately sent closing with Victoria, and further details will be arranged by letter. It is probable that the team's expenses will be somewhat greater than their estimate when all the items are considered, but \$600 will certainly foot the bill. In any event the lacrosse players from the capital only ask their legitimate expenses, which is regarded as an evidence of good sportsmanship.

IN THE JUNO MINE

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR THE OWNERS OF THIS NELSON PROPERTY.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR MEANS OF ACCESS TO THE VENUS TRAMWAY.

NELSON, Aug. 5.—Negotiations are under way between the Juno and Venus mining companies to run an up-rail from the No. 2 tunnel on the latter to the main tunnel on the Juno. This will give the latter property access to the tramway terminal, so that their ore can be handled for about a dollar a ton from the mine to the Athabasca mill.

Both properties are showing up very well, and a successful season's operations are assured. On the Juno a shaft has been sunk for three hundred feet on the main lead, which is four feet wide at the surface, and one hundred feet down the shaft a drift has been run for one hundred feet and is in solid ore all the way. At the surface the lead has been tested by open cuts for two hundred feet. At the one hundred foot level the lead is even wider than at the surface, and the foot and hanging walls are clearly defined.

The rich paystreak which was struck on this property a fortnight ago was encountered one hundred feet east of the main shaft, and has since been traced through the lead as far as it has been opened. The whole lead is of free milling rock, which can be taken out as it has to be sacked and packed out, so that if the deal alluded to is made some big dividends are in sight for the owners of the mine, as all the tunnels and shafts of the property are in ore.

SECURED GOOD TEACHERS. Excellent Additions to Public School Staff.

The public schools of Rossland reopen at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Pupils are particularly requested to be present the first two days.

In filling the vacancies on the staff the school board has made every effort to procure the best teachers possible, and they have succeeded admirably. The room formerly taught by Miss Blair will be taken by Miss Lyons, who has taught for five years at Vernon. She has had Normal training, and is considered to be one of the best teachers of intermediate work in the province. The primary class in the Central school will be taken by Miss Milligan, another Normal graduate, who has taught successfully for the past seven years in the graded school at Cumberland. During Mr. Elley's absence at the Normal school, his place will be filled by Mr. Barron, late principal of Ladysmith graded school, who holds an academic certificate.

When Miss VanSickle leaves at the end of September to take a university course her room will be taught by Miss Donovan, B. A., who is at present attending Normal school. She holds an academic certificate, and has had six years' experience as a teacher. These, added to the thoroughly efficient teachers now employed, will compose a staff that should make Rossland schools second to none in the province.

NEWS OF THE COAST

A track watchman named Harry Gilstead was walking along the track about two miles west of North Bend when he was struck by a freight train and instantly killed. The remains were back into North Bend. The deceased, who was a member of the I. O. O. F., had no relatives in this province as far as is known.

Inspector Thomas Morgan, who has returned to Nanaimo from Cumberland, states that the question of the employment of Chinese is now, he has been officially informed, out of his hands. The two cases against Cumberland are declared against any such unanimity. Mr. Smith will presumably remain in statu quo, that is, the company will continue to employ Chinese until the validity of the law is decided.

The membership of the B. C. Lumbermen's association has been much augmented and their influence increased by the acquisition of all the mill owners in Victoria and on Vancouver Island. The island mill owners were invited to join the association, and after an interview with some of the officials at a meeting recently held on the island, they consented to do so. Heretofore the membership was drawn chiefly from Vancouver and New Westminster.

"Swiftwater Bill" Gates no longer moves among the mining magnates, according to mail advices from Dawson. Since his return to Dawson he has visited several of the creeks, including Hunter. He spent a few days at Gold Bottom. His wealth has taken wings, says the Dawson Mail. A number of Gates' creditors have turned their bills over to "Waterfront" Brown for collection. "Swiftwater" has dug up some of the money.

The last report from the Fraser was that the fish were running much better, several boats getting nearly 200 fish, and the highest boat being over 250. The average was about 35.

Telegraphic advices have been received from the Skeena river announcing that a decided improvement had taken place in the run on that river, the boats having averaged 100 fish on Wednesday night. Until the receipt of this welcome news, the run on the Skeena this season had been almost a total failure, and cannermen had about given up all hopes of getting anything of a pack.

Hon. L. Edwin Dudley, United States consul, has returned from a trip to Atlin. Referring to the possibilities of the big dredge, which would soon be operating on the Thorpe Man's Farm, Mr. Dudley, the manager of the company operating the dredge, stated that it would be completed in a very short time, a matter of weeks. He said that he had prospected all the ground by the most modern method, and was satisfied that it was rich. The dredge had cost \$300,000, but he expected it would pay for itself in thirty days. Mr. Dudley was particularly impressed with the good roads in the Atlin districts.

Upwards of 1100 tons of coal a day are being taken out of No. 2 and No. 3 mines at Extension. On Saturday the output reached 1200 tons and as more men are being put to work daily, it is expected that the maximum production attained before the strike will soon be reached. The maximum average of about 1600 tons a day. The tunnel, which is not yet in full working order, is being opened up again, and places prepared for new men. The coal is despatched to Ladysmith without delay, and the yards there are once more filled in readiness for some of the monster coal carriers which are now on the way to Ladysmith from various quarters.

Word was brought to New Westminster on Saturday of a daring burglary at Cloverdale the previous night. The victim was Miss Violet Marshall, who acts as housekeeper for her father. Unfortunately, as it happened, she was alone that night, and when a knock came to the door about 10 o'clock she unhesitatingly opened it, thinking it might be a neighbor. But it was a stranger, who forced his way in. This stranger at once proceeded to bind the girl, and then to ransack the house in search of valuables. Falling in this he returned to his victim, who was then gagged and blindfolded, and proceeded to brutally threaten and torture her to make her divulge the hiding place of the family valuables. Finally the girl told him, and the fellow annexed \$40 in cash and some valuable rings and jewelry. He then departed. It was almost midnight before the frantic girl could get free of her bonds, and she then gave the alarm. The man is still at large.

Connected with the incarceration in the Whatecom county jail of a clever Chinese, who is awaiting transportation to his native land, is an interesting narrative. The gentleman's name is Sing, and during last winter, and until a few days ago, he was manager at Cloverdale for Hop Lee, general storekeeper, during the absence of that merchant from the district. Sing is alleged to have for several months been carrying on the profitable production of guiding Chinese across the line into the exclusive territory of Uncle Sam. Sing's last trip across the line, however, turned out differently, and he was captured quite easily, together with two or three of his countrymen by United States Immigration Inspector Weaver. The Orientals were tried and sentenced to be deported to China. It is now said that the capture of the Chinaman was cleverly planned by themselves, as the members of the party were all anxious to return to the Plover Kingdom and they courted arrest to get a free trip home. Sing, however, was more anxious to return than the others, for upon examination of the books of the firm, the allegation was made that it was found that during the absence of his employer he had

stolen over \$1800, which he sent home to China by various money orders. His plan to return home by free trip and enjoy his gains for the remainder of his life is apparently working well.

By a vote of 22 to 14, the Cumberland miners rejected the colliery company's proposals to return to work, and the strike will be continued. F. McB. Young was chosen as Liberal candidate for Comox district. On the first vote Mr. Young led, D. Millard came second and several votes were given to H. Lucas. On the second vote Mr. Young obtained a majority of four, and the nomination was then made unanimous.

Mr. Ralph Smith, M. P., having declared that if unanimously supported by the party, he would accept the provincial Liberal leadership and seek a seat in the legislature, Victoria Liberals of the Martin faction have promptly declared against any such unanimity. Mr. Smith will presumably remain in "statu quo" and decline to forsake Ottawa.

An unfortunate German sailor named Reivers lay in agony for hours waiting for a surgeon at the Dominion marine hospital in Victoria. He had a badly broken leg, and it was not until morning on Thursday was well advanced that the necessary attention was paid. A nice state of affairs for an institution under the charge of a Dominion authority, which levies the heaviest toll well possible on British Columbia, and in return renders too usually quite inadequate public service.

News of a strike of a body of ore carrying a large percentage of zinc blende was brought to Vancouver by H. C. Magee, timber cruiser, who, with his party, made the find last week. The location of the ledge is on Price's channel, about 80 miles up the coast, close to the water. Samples of the ore taken from the surface gave returns of 25 per cent of zinc, while samples taken from one foot from the surface gave as high as 35 per cent. J. O'Sullivan, who made the assays, stated that the find was a valuable one.

The unfortunate man Caldwell, killed by dynamite off Macaulay Point, leaves two young children. He had himself only shortly before come out of the hospital and was still far from well when his death occurred. There was no sufficiently direct evidence to make it certain that he was intended to dynamite the fish, and there were some things that suggested the possibility of suicide. But the jury, after much consideration, thought that the death was accidental, and thus returned a verdict accordingly. The coroner half suggested an open verdict, there being such elements of doubt in the case as to the circumstances attending the unfortunate man's death.

Scarcity of orders and overstocking of markets prompted the shingle manufacturers at the coast to the conclusion that the local mills must be shut down for at least a month. The shingle-mill men met and thoroughly discussed the situation. They finally decided to close the mills on August 15. They will remain closed for a month and perhaps longer. About one thousand workmen will be affected. If the shutdown is not prolonged beyond thirty days the men in many instances will not feel the ill-effects of enforced idleness, but if the mills remain closed for a longer period the consequences cannot be beneficial. In all probability many of the shingle-mill camps will be closed down. As the workmen are principally Japanese in the camps white men are not greatly concerned in that phase of the situation. Between thirty and forty mills will suspend on the date mentioned.

Mr. Maxwell Smith, Dominion government fruit inspector for British Columbia, who returned to Vancouver a short time ago from a tour of the Okanagan valley, makes the announcement that he proposes visiting every fruit producing district in the province at the earliest possible date, with a view to giving full information on the subject of grading, packing and marketing of fruit packages so as to comply with the provisions of the fruit marks act. Mr. Smith will be pleased to hear from any persons desiring information on this subject, so that infraction of the law this year may be reduced to a minimum and the necessity for prosecutions avoided as much as possible. Merchants importing from foreign countries fruit in closed packages that has not been graded as required by the laws, will be allowed to do so themselves before placing it on the market here. The grade marks required are No. 1, or XXX; No. 2, or XX; or No. 3, or X, according to the quality of the fruit. The fruit marks act will be rigidly enforced this year.

PASSED THE BOURNE

GEORGE H. BAYNE PASSED QUIETLY AWAY FRIDAY EVENING.

FLAGS HALF-MASTED HERE IN MEMORIAM—MUCH REGRET FELT.

(From Sunday's Daily.) George H. Bayne died Friday evening at Ferguson from the effects of his terrible encounter a week previously with an infuriated silver-tip bear. The end came quietly after ten days' suffering, and the sad announcement caused general regret in Rossland generally, and especially to the intimate friends of the deceased gentleman. It is understood that the body will be taken to Halifax for interment by Andrew Bayne, a brother, who was present at the end. Physicians in charge did all that was possible to avert the fatal ending of the accident, but without success.

The operation of trephining was performed on the injured man on Friday morning, but it was apparent that this did not bring about the favorable results that were hoped for. The Rossland physicians, Doctors Kenning and Campbell, realized the precarious condition of the patient as soon as they arrived in Ferguson and conducted their preliminary examination. A telegram to this effect was immediately sent to his Rossland friends. Next day the grave aspect of the case was even more apparent, and a second telegram was sent here which paved the way in the minds of most citizens for the announcement of Mr. Bayne's demise last night. The late George H. Bayne was a son of a wealthy Halifax merchant. Two brothers survive, Andrew and Charles. The former left Halifax for Ferguson immediately on the receipt of the news of the accident, and was with his brother for the last two days of his illness. Deceased was well-to-do himself, and his interest in the Homestead mine represents an investment of a very large sum of money. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. A number of flags are half-masted in the city today as a token of respect for the departed. DOCTORS RETURN. Doctors Kenning and Campbell have returned from Ferguson. On their arrival there Mr. Bayne was unconscious, although he had been conscious for a week following the accident. Stertorous breathing and other symptoms indicated pressure on the brain, and in consultation Friday morning a "trephine" at the base of the skull was readily located. Trephining was resorted to, and when the bone that had pressed against the brain was removed it was found that a small artery had been broken, causing internal hemorrhage. The operation relieved the patient perceptibly, but his weakness had reached such an advanced stage that the physicians understood from the start that the operation might not avert death. The doctors left at noon Friday, and were not surprised to learn of Mr. Bayne's death before reaching Rossland.

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THREE WEEKS MORE

WILL SEE POSTOFFICE BUILDING THROWN OPEN TO PUBLIC.

FINISHING TOUCHES NOW UNDER WAY IN THE INTERIOR.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

September first will see the Rossland postoffice ready for occupation and in active service. The finishing touches to the interior are now under way, and it is regarded as certain that three weeks will suffice amply to complete the work. The painting and varnishing now being completed require time to be properly performed, but good progress is being made by Messrs. Lemoine & Fortin, who have the contract. A pleasant surprise is in store for Rosslanders when the handsome federal building is opened. The interior fittings of the building are exceptionally attractive and substantial. On entering the main entrance from Columbia avenue a commodious public office reveals itself. Desks are supplied for the use of the public, together with notice boards on which postal regulations will be posted. The partition between the public and private sections of the office is of quartered oak with ground glass panels half way to the ceiling, and heavy wire screens for the balance of the distance. The oak is highly varnished and finished, and presents a handsome appearance. The wickets through which mail will be distributed are heavily varnished in oak, and the same applies to the inquiry and stamp wickets. Round two sides of the partition are private boxes. These are about the same size as those in the present office, but are of an exceptionally neat design, with heavy plate glass fronts. Large drawers of oak are provided in the lower tier. Of the smaller boxes there are 228, with 83 drawers of larger capacity. Behind the wickets the fittings are substantial and neat. In the new office every facility is afforded for the conduct of the post-office on a first class basis and a big improvement in this direction is expected.

THE HUMBERT CASE.

MADAME THERESE HAS A POOR OPINION OF THE JUDGE.

PARIS, Aug. 10.—The trial of the Humberts was resumed this morning. Madame Therese Humbert created several scenes when M. Bonnet, the presiding judge, insisted on examining Frederick Humbert, her husband. Madame Therese said, rising: "I demand to be heard. I am strong today and will explain where the millions are." The judge, however, proceeded despite Madame Humbert's constant interruptions. Madame Therese then exclaimed: "Mon-sieur, the president, you are clearly showing by your manner that you are against us. You should dismiss your feelings and try to appear impartial." The judge ordered Madame Humbert to desist, but she again shouted: "You are continually showing your prejudice." Frederick Humbert maintained that the operations of the insurance concern were conducted in good faith, and claimed that public prejudice roused against the Humbert family brought about the failure of the concern. He denied that the residence of the Humberts was connected by secret telephones. Madame Therese here also exclaimed: "Lies, more lies." Frederick Humbert said he devoted most of his time to art and poetry, leaving the entire financial operations to his wife.

RETURNING TO WORK.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 10.—It is estimated that 10,000 operatives in the textile trade reported for duty today at the various mills, and a similar number, it is said, will resume work tomorrow. This is the first serious break in the textile workers' strike, which has been in progress since June last.

BOUGHT A BONANZA

PURCHASER OF LUCKY JACK PROPERTY IN ROSSLAND TODAY.

W. B. POOL BOUGHT THE PROPERTY FOR \$200,000—WELL PLEASED.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

The first big turn-over on Poplar creek was the sale of a three-fourths interest in the Lucky Jack claim for \$200,000, and William B. Pool, who put up the money, is in Rossland today. Mr. Pool is well known locally, and the story of his successive strikes in the Ferguson and Camborne camps is familiar to all. With lots of experience as a prospector and miner, he handled several properties that turned out big winners, and he is now ranked as one of the wealthiest mining men in the Kootenays.

He thinks he has made the biggest turn of his life by paying \$200,000 for the majority interest in the Lucky Jack. Mr. Pool was in the Lardeau when the Poplar creek excitement broke out. He was one of the first outsiders to get into the scene of the bonanza strikes, and he promptly sized up the Lucky Jack as the biggest thing in sight. Thereupon, to quote his own words, he camped on the ground until he had put through a deal for the acquisition of the property. The fourth interest which he failed to secure is owned by a veteran prospector, named Ed Morgan, and Morgan wouldn't part with his interest in the Lucky Jack for all the coin in the realm. He absolutely refuses to consider the question of selling. "We have a million dollars in sight on the Lucky Jack," says Mr. Pool, and although he would probably qualify his statement on cross-examination, he certainly thinks his two hundred thousand is invested where it will earn big returns. "What are you going to do with the property?" was asked of him last night. "Why, put in a stamp mill and turn out the gold," was his succinct reply. Mr. Pool brought out a big sack of magnificent samples, and these will be on exhibition to his friends at the Palace hotel today.

THE WEEK'S SOCIAL EVENTS

Mrs. Robert Hunter was the hostess at a large progressive "500" party on Friday night. Miss K. Boulbee and Mr. Davis carried off the first prizes and Miss Smith and Mr. Rose the "booby." The guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mackintosh, Mr. and Mrs. Duthie, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Nixon, Mrs. Barker, and the Misses Harris, Bennett, Boulbee, Falding, Honey and Smith, and Messrs. Dewdney, Phillips, Cosgro, Olliver, McKelvie, Tuttle and Ruff.

Mrs. Hinton left on Friday for her home in New Westminster.

T. G. Blackstock left for Toronto on Saturday.

Mr. and Miss Fraser left for Halcyon on Friday night.

G. Cruickshank left for Vancouver on Tuesday morning.

F. W. Rolt returned on Saturday, from England.

Mrs. Bennett leaves on Tuesday morning for a visit to Grand Forks.

Miss Kath Kehoe, of Spokane, is visiting with Miss Humphreys.

The Young Men's Institute in connection with the Sacred Heart parish were the guests at a pleasant function on Wednesday evening at the residence of E. C. Lockwood, east Columbia avenue. The occasion was a reception in honor of the choir of the church and the members of the Sodality of the Children of Mary. Light refreshments were served, social exercises were indulged in, and the party spent a delightful evening. Among those in attendance were the following: Rev. Father Caldwell, S. J.; Messames Preston, O'Brien, Costello, Honey and Quirk; Misses Lillie and Kath Dyer, Shanahan, Honey, Cosgriff, Nicholson, O'Hearn, Preston, Stassi, Clisbalm, Ohren, Richards, Donahue, Adams, Madore and Morrison; Messrs. F. Levesauer, W. Levesauer, Barnaby, Preston, McMahon, McMillan, Costello, Donahue, Penny, Walsh, Stassi, McDonnell and Wright.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIAL. The following is the program for the dance given by the Chancel Guild of St. George's next Tuesday night: 1. Waltz—"Sweethearts Again" Mackie 2. Two-step—"Varsity Girl" Ashton 3. Lancers—"Ermeline" Jacobowski 4. French Minuet—"The Ball" Krell 5. Waltz—"Dream of the Ball" Krell 6. Two-step—"Charlatan" Sousa 7. Scotische—"Old Homestead" Zimmerman 8. Waltz—"Molly on the Trolley" Maywood 9. Three-step—"One Heart One Soul" Strass 10. Two-step—"Cake Walk Patrol" Krell 11. Waltz—"Skaters" Waldenfel 12. Two-step—"King Carnival" Rosey 13. Rye Waltz 14. Two-step—"Humky Dory" Holzmann 15. Waltz Quadrille—"Gasperone" Milloecker 16. Polka—"Love Letter" Ziehrst 17. Waltz—"Zenda Waltzes" Witmark 18. Two-step—"King Cotton" Sousa 19. Waltz—"Blue Danube" Strass 20. Virginia Reel—"Sir Roger de Coverley"

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FOR ANOTHER YEAR LIKES ORO DENORO

PUBLIC SCHOOLS RE-OPEN MONDAY FOR ANOTHER YEAR'S WORK.

SEVERAL NEW TEACHERS WILL BE ON HAND FOR OPENING SESSION.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Monday sees the resumption of the public schools for another year's work, and the close of the school children's cherished summer vacation. There is a bare possibility that the re-opening may be postponed for a week if the weather becomes excessively hot, but this is not expected by the trustees.

The high school will not reopen until the 24th inst., the regulations differing from those governing public schools in this respect, particularly as the school closed a week or more later. No principal has been secured as yet for the high school. Alexander Love, the Kaslo pedagogue who had the refusal of the post, declined to accept, and the matter is back in the trustees' hands. Negotiations are now under way for a teacher in other quarters. T. J. Barrow, B. A., will act as principal of the Cook avenue school pending the arrival here of Principal Elley, who is taking the Normal school course at the coast, and does not finish his studies until September. Mr. Barrow has been connected with the public schools at Cumberland, but is now devoting his attention to other business, which enables him to fill the temporary vacancy in the Roseland schools.

Miss Milligan, late of the Cumberland schools, has been engaged to take charge of the primary class at the Central school, the appointment having been recommended by Principal Bruce, who is now en route home from Vancouver.

In connection with the schools it is interesting to note that Miss Florence White, daughter of Percy White, janitor of the Cook avenue school, has taken out a third class teacher's certificate, and is the first young lady to pass through the Roseland schools into the ranks of the certified teachers of the province.

HAD A PRIVATE 'TEC

CITY HAS BILL FOR \$243 FROM THIEL'S SPOKANE AGENCY.

OFFICER WORKED UP ODAMS CASE - MAY MAKE TROUBLE.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Local gossip is busy with the action of the police commissioners in engaging a detective from Thiel's Spokane Agency in connection with the Odams case, and the "little bill" the corporation will be asked to foot in connection therewith. Odams was discharged on all serious counts in the police court, and now it is reported that \$600 will not square the charges the city will have to bear in the matter. Mayor Dean stands pat on the proposition and says his policy is justified in the best interests of the corporation. The Thiel detective, it is alleged, charged the city between \$230 and \$240 for his services in procuring evidence against the proprietor of the Josie boarding house and other services he may have rendered. The lawyer who prosecuted the case for the corporation has not put in his bill, but it is estimated at \$400.

The question of the private detective's engagement never came before the council, and as such an outlay is not provided for unless authorized by the council, some talk is heard of injunction proceedings to prevent the payment of the bill by the city. Mayor Dean says that under the Municipal Act the police commissioners are authorized to engage such special assistance, and intimates that if anyone tries to prevent the payment of the bill he has them trimmed to a frazzle from the legal viewpoint. His worship says, also, that the Spokane private detective did other work for the city, but won't tell what it was. Equally interesting is the report that while the Odams case was under way, Mayor Dean served notice on Police Chief Bradshaw that in all matters relating to the case Patrolman Stewart and the private detective from Spokane were to be supreme—placing the chief, for the time being, on the shelf to all intents and purposes. Mayor Dean says that this isn't so, but the people behind the story say it is correct in general, and that Commissioner Hamilton was not a consenting party, in fact he wasn't consulted about this or the employment of the Spokane detective, who seems to have muddled the Odams case badly.

BOUNDARY ROADS. Highways Near Phoenix Put in Better Condition.

PHOENIX, B. C., Aug. 8.—What is probably one of the best pieces of road-making in this section has just been completed between Phoenix and Greenwood. Road Foreman Findlay, with a force of ten or a dozen men, has been working on this road for several weeks, and has put it all in first class condition—better than it has been in since it was first constructed. The grades in many places have been improved, gutters have been put in, and all through it has been improved so that it astonishes the old-timers that have seen over it lately. The same gang is now at work on the Phoenix-Grand Forks wagon road, out near Hartford Junction, where improvements have been much needed for some time.

R. H. ANDERSON BELIEVES IT WILL COME TO THE FRONT RAPIDLY.

ROSSLAND PEOPLE INTERESTED -NEW PLANT NOW GOING IN.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

"The Oro Denoro mine has a bright future. With the careful initial management essential to the development of properties possessing large bodies of comparatively low grade ores, the Oro Denoro should attain at a comparatively early date the position of one of Boundary's important producers. When this juncture is reached, the mine will earn profits commensurate with the magnitude of its shipments, and this will benefit the entire district by affording a valuable object lesson. Incidentally it may be stated that large blocks of the stock are held by Roseland business men."

The foregoing emanates from Robert H. Anderson, the new superintendent of the Le Roi mine, who is just severing his connection with the Oro Denoro company, where he was in charge for some months. "The company is making a step forward by acquiring a seven-drill compressor plant with which the development of the mine will be substantially expedited," continued Mr. Anderson. "The plant was purchased recently from the Iron Horse company in this camp, and the boilers are now being re-tubed. It will be shipped in the next few days and set up at the Oro Denoro as rapidly as possible. Meantime the work at the mine is proceeding steadily by hand work. About 90 tons of ore is mined and shipped daily to the Boundary Falls smelter, and this output will be steadily increased after the installation of the compressor plant.

"The system of mining at the Oro Denoro is quarrying, as is the case at most of the big Boundary mines. Work is being prosecuted at the present time on two veins, which are described as the Magnetic and No. 1. The former carries a high percentage of iron and commands an especially low treatment rate for that reason. The No. 1 carries higher copper values with gold and silver. The Magnetic vein is 60 feet in width and the No. 1 is 75 feet wide. On both veins the surface capping has been stripped for a distance of 50 feet. Spurs from the Canadian Pacific run to both ledges, and mining operations consist of running the ore tracks to the foot of the hill, and loading the ore shot down from above. The work is proceeding under my supervision, with Fred Kurtz as foreman.

"Seventeen men are engaged at the Oro Denoro just now, and this will be increased as soon as construction work is commenced on the compressor plant. The company owns the Denoro townsite, with two hotels and a number of houses. This is located a mile and a half from Eholt."

Mr. Anderson was in charge of the B. C. mine, also in Summit camp, for five years under the management of S. F. Parrish.

THE STATE OF TRADE

EASTERN POINTS REPORT BUSINESS IN A SATISFACTORY CONDITION.

MANITOBA CROPS LIGHTER THAN EXPECTED—OUTLOOK AT THE COAST.

TORONTO, Aug. 7.—Bradstreet's trade review says: The usual absence of activity in many departments of wholesale trade at Montreal is being experienced now as it always is at this season. There was, however, good buying of staple goods for the fall up to the first of the month, and the sales for July are ahead of previous years in many lines. Values of staple and domestic goods are firmly held. Crop reports east of the great lakes are favorable. The make of butter and cheese so far has been heavy. The shipping business is very active. In the west, less favorable news of the wheat crop is coming to hand, and the crop will be less than last year. Remittances are fair for this season.

Business in Toronto has been keeping up unusually well for this season. Many travellers are taking holidays now, and all will in a week or two be returning to the city for the Dominion exhibition. Sales for the fall have been heavy. Retailers throughout the country are taking more lots of grades and a greater proportion of the more expensive lines. The crops in Ontario are encouraging. The winter wheat threshing has shown satisfactory results. The crop of buckwheat and peas will be the smallest in years.

At Quebec favorable reports from the country districts are having a good effect on the wholesale trade. The latter is reported as good as former seasons. Although collections might improve, remittances are reported fairly good. Shoe manufacturers as a rule are working full time, and some have orders ahead. The demand for fine goods is increased, and prices are being well maintained. There have been no failures to speak of in the district, and the general outlook continues favorable.

Trade has been less active at Winnipeg this week. The large buying during the exhibition has been followed by a lull in the demand. The less favorable prospects for wheat in the province of Manitoba have also made traders more cautious. The estimates of the crop at present range from forty-five to fifty million bushels. Railway traffic is still heavy. There is a big demand for farm laborers. Wheat cutting will begin about a week to ten days earlier this year. There was frost

in some sections a couple of nights last week. It was slight. The outlook for business is promising. There has been a steady development in many lines of trade at Pacific coast cities since the termination of the strike difficulties last month, and the outlook is more hopeful. There has been a big shipment of live stock and beef recently to Dawson. The logging business is very quiet. The prospects for the salmon pack are not favorable.

In Hamilton, as reported to Bradstreet's, the movement in wholesale trade has been good for this season. Large shipments of fall goods are now being made, and the outlook for fall sorting business soon to begin is promising. The general expectation is that the turnover for the present year will exceed that of 1907. Values are firmly held, owing to the stiff tone of the market at home and abroad. London wholesale trade, while a trifle quiet as usual at this season, is in a satisfactory condition. Failures have been few and unimportant. Retailers have been meeting their obligations generally satisfactorily. Values are firm.

The fall purchases by retailers from the wholesale trade at Ottawa so far have not been heavy, but a big sorting trade is looked for in the autumn, as country merchants will have to do considerable buying yet to fill stocks. Prices are firmly held. The outlook for business is bright.

THE CITY'S SAFETY

IS PROMOTED BY WATERWORKS EXTENSIONS TO LE ROI.

CITY ENGINEER'S INTERESTING REPORT ON THE UNDERTAKING.

(From Saturday's Daily.) That the city's real in the matter of fire protection is substantially promoted as the result of the connection between the city waterworks system and the Le Roi's water service the report by Major VanBuskirk, city engineer, points out. A demonstration of the system was made last week for the benefit of a prominent coast insurance man, and the actual working tests bore out the contention that the added pressure would be invaluable in the case of a serious fire.

The waters of Little Sheep creek are made tributary to the city system as the result of the connection. In submitting his report to council, Major VanBuskirk says: "I submit herewith a plan showing location of pipe connecting the Le Roi Mining company's water system with the city water works system. The pipe referred to is a six inch wrought iron pipe, screw jointed and provided with three expansion joints. It is 2700 feet in length and is laid on the surface of ground adjacent to one of the tracks of the Red Mountain railway on Red Mountain.

The water supply system of the Le Roi Mining company has recently been greatly improved by the building of a large box flume between the east and west branches of Little Sheep creek for the purpose of conducting the waters of the west branch to the flume leading from the east branch to the Le Roi mine. These two flumes have been built by the Le Roi and the Le Roi No. 2 companies according to a plan made by me some three years ago, and they are capable of conveying all the waters, except in flood time, of the two branches of Little Sheep creek to the city.

"It will be evident therefore that the making of the connection between the Le Roi water system and the city system has the effect of placing the whole supply of water from Little Sheep creek at the disposal of the city for fire fighting or for any other purpose if urgently required. The flumes and upper tanks of the Le Roi and Le Roi No. 2 companies are situated at such a height above the lower city tanks (Nos. 1 and 2) that the latter can be readily filled with water from Little Sheep creek should it be found advisable to do so; and all of the water from the mining companies' tanks and from Little Sheep creek that can be delivered through the six inch pipe is now at the disposal of the city for fire fighting.

"It follows of course that the whole of the water from the city supply system is also available for fire fighting at the mines and for filling the lower tanks of the Le Roi Mining company. It can be pumped to the higher tanks of other company by the Fire Underwriters' pump located at the Black Bear plant of the Le Roi company. The making of this connection between the two water systems puts both in a vastly better condition for fire fighting, as all the water of Rock creek, Stony creek and Little Sheep creek can now be drawn upon; and in case of a break in either of the supply mains, water can be immediately supplied from the other and all of the tanks can thus be kept full while repairs are made.

"It is true that the pipe being laid on surface of ground cannot be used continuously during cold weather, nevertheless it will be available whenever required and in all probability will be replaced by a pipe laid on the extension east of Kootenay avenue from the city main at the intersection of Kootenay avenue and Nevada street to the Le Roi system. An estimate of the cost of this improvement has already been submitted for your consideration and was recommended by me in a report to council.

and using head from tank No. 3. The pressure at city end of pipe due to head from Le Roi tanks was not measured, but it is considerably greater than that from city mains at normal pressure."

MINE RESUMES WORK

THE NICKEL PLATE EMPLOYING TWELVE MEN AT PRESENT TIME.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Active underground operations have been resumed at the Nickel Plate mine, and the next two or three days will probably see the crew increased to about 25 men. Operations will be confined for the immediate future largely to the 400 and 600 levels, where extensive bulkheading is contemplated.

Andrew G. Larson, E. M., is in charge of the work now under way. On the 400 and 600 levels heavy permanent bulkheads will be built, some five bricklayers and as many more helpers being engaged for this work. The bulkheads are being constructed at the west end of the drifts, where the Centre Star line is encountered, and the object is to prevent the seepage of water at any time in the future from the Nickel Plate workings into Centre Star grounds. It will be remembered that this formed a source of friction between the two companies, which will be entirely removed by the work now contemplated. Two machines will be set up and started today for the purpose of widening the terminals of the drifts to admit of thorough bulkheading.

It is probable that at an early date the management will announce their policy in respect to the Nickel Plate, and this is likely to embrace stopping and development at various points. The mine's contract with the Le Roi smelter at Northport expires on the 15th inst., and as the contract was made a couple of years ago, when charges were considerably higher all along the line than at the present time, the management probably expects to arrange for future shipments of ore on a more advantageous basis. Reduced realization charges would render available for shipment extensive ore bodies already blocked out in the mine, and would undoubtedly result in the immediate shipment of the 20,000 tons of \$10 to \$12 ore now on the dump at the Nickel Plate headworks.

YMIR NOTES. Mines Showing Up Well - Political Incidents.

Ymir, Aug. 7.—During the month of July past the value of ore shipped out of British Columbia via the port of Wanaeta amounted to \$58,475, the bulk of this being shipped to the Everett smelter and the Selby Refining works.

The Liberal convention for the Ymir riding will take place at Fairview (addition to Nelson) on August 18th, 1908. The Liberals here are having a meeting this evening to select their delegates to attend this convention.

Work on the Gold Cup, Atlin-Ymir and Pilot properties is progressing favorably, and there is every indication that these will all be producing properties within a short time. On the Gold Cup and Pilot properties free gold specimens are being encountered frequently.

To date the registration on the provincial voters' list amounts to 927 names, and there is every indication that this will reach the 1000 mark.

G. W. Coleman, of Trail, is here, presumably to size up the political situation. It is understood that there will be a big fight in the convention over who will be the candidate. It is unquestionably admitted that Trail is entitled to the nomination, for the reason that that point has always gone conservative. While here Mr. Jelly made many friends, both with Liberals and Conservatives, and it is hoped that Trail will so protect their interests that they will secure their man's nomination.

Neil Cochrane, E. M., of Roseland, has been here on professional business and has returned to the Golden City.

John Stinson and Ymir, left for Port Simpson, where he has gone to stake timber and other rights. A syndicate is sending Mr. Stinson north.

HOT WEATHER FAG. No Vim, No Snap, No Energy, Exertion Dreaded and Work Shunned.

"Fagged right out." Is an appropriate way to express the feelings of many people during the hot summer months. No strength, no vigor, no snap, no ambition, too weary to work and too languid to take any keen pleasure in life. You need a tonic for this summer fag, and the very best tonic in the world is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Every dose makes new rich blood, tones the nerves, sharpens the appetite, stimulates the liver, and banishes weakness and weariness, headaches, backaches, languor and despondency. The only tonic that can do this for you is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—it's a waste of money to experiment with anything else. Mr. Louis Doucet, Grand Etang, N. S., says: "I was very much run down in health, was weak and easily tired. My appetite was variable, my nerves unstrung and I often felt a complete disposition to work. After trying several medicines without benefit, I decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after taking a few boxes I felt better than I had done for months, and equal to any exertion. I don't know anything to equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills when one feels fagged out."

WATELET'S WORRIES

Spokane Mining Man Under Arrest Again.

(From Thursday's Daily.) Yesterday's Spokesman-Review says: After his dismissal on the charge of embezzlement in the police court yesterday afternoon, Paul Watelet, the mining promoter who has been in jail three months, was arrested by Sheriff Doust on a warrant charging him with obtaining money under false pretenses from J. E. Carnahan. Sheriff Doust was advised yesterday that the sheriff from Canton was now on his way west and will arrive here after Watelet some time this week.

Judge Hinkle yesterday decided the case against Watelet that he has had under advisement for some days by finding that the evidence was not sufficient to hold him and discharged him of the crime of larceny by embezzlement.

In this case Watelet, who was manager of the Colville Group Mining company, was charged with embezzling \$450 belonging to the company by failing to account for the same. The complaining witness was J. E. Carnahan. Watelet's attorneys were F. T. Post and F. M. Dudley.

This makes the second time Watelet has won out in the local courts. The other charge was obtaining money under false pretenses, it being charged that he got \$4000 from J. E. Carnahan. Judge Kennan in that case held that it was a crime it came under the Ohio statute and not under the Washington statute, for which reason the charge was dismissed.

Watelet has been in jail about three months, counting the time he spent in Canada. Attorney Post stated that Watelet would not consent to return to Ohio and stand trial on the other charge, but that they will make their fight here, which probably means that habeas corpus proceedings will be resorted to.

THEIR NIGHT OUT

LOCAL MASONS ENTERTAINED DISTINGUISHED FRATERNAL VISITOR LAST NIGHT.

GRAND MASTER SHARP'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO CORINTHIAN LODGE.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Last evening was a field day with Roseland members of the Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons. The occasion was the first visit to Roseland in his official capacity of Rev. C. Ensor Sharp, of Esquimalt, grand master of the Masonic order in the British Columbia jurisdiction. The grand master was accompanied by John Westwood and W. G. Cooke, of Grand Forks, prominent Boundary Masons.

A right royal reception was tendered the grand master by the members of Corinthian lodge, Roseland. When the Red Mountain train arrived last evening a deputation of Roseland Masons was on hand to extend a formal welcome. It was headed by Worshipful Master John Dunlop, Past District Deputy Grand Master George Hering, and others. The distinguished fraternal visitor was escorted to the Hotel Allan.

During the evening a special session of Corinthian lodge took place. The session was largely attended, and the third degree work put on for the benefit of the grand master was smartly performed. Following this was a social session and banquet at which Mr. Sharp and his friends were the guests of honor. Appropriate speeches were delivered, and in the course of the flow of wit and wisdom the grand master took occasion to compliment the members of Corinthian lodge on their admirable work in the lodge room and the handsome and commodious edifice in which the lodge is housed. Felicitous sentiments were exchanged, and the gathering was one of the most successful and enjoyable Masonic functions of the year.

Today Grand Master Sharp will be shown over the points of interest in the city and generally entertained by the local members of the fraternity.

CHEOLERA INFANTUM. Cholera infantum is one of the most dreaded diseases of infancy. It is prevalent during the heat of summer in spite of all the care mothers may take to guard against it, and it sometimes progresses so quickly that death occurs in a few hours no matter what care is given the child. The first thing to do is to stop feeding the child and give him plenty of fresh air and pure water to drink. Give Baby's Own Tablets to carry off the poison in the system. Do not under any circumstance give a medicine to check the diarrhoea, except under the advice of a doctor. By using Baby's Own Tablets the cause of the diarrhoea will be removed, and the disease will thus be checked in a natural manner. Proof that the Tablets cure this too often fatal trouble is given by Mrs. Herbert Burnham, Smith's Falls, Ont., who says: "When my eldest child was six weeks old he had an attack of cholera infantum and was at death's door. My doctor advised me to try Baby's Own Tablets and in twenty-four hours baby was better; the vomiting and purging ceased and he regained strength rapidly."

Keep the Tablets in the house—their prompt use may save your little one's life. Sold by medicine dealers or sent in postpaid at 25 cents a box by writing the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

PUGILISTS EASE UP. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 10.—Both Jeffries and Corbett took it easy yesterday, doing practically no work. Jeffries has announced that he will do no more boxing, but he has not yet fixed a date for leaving Harbin Springs for this city. Corbett will discontinue his routine. There has been some betting at odds of two to one, with Jeff the favorite.

DIVORCE GRANTED. LONDON, Aug. 10.—Sir Francis Jeune, president of the divorce court, today granted D. S. Constandini a divorce from his wife, on the ground that the latter's conduct led to the misconduct of her husband.

TO GET BUSY AGAIN

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR RESUMPTION SOON AT THE WINNIPEG.

A NEW PLANT IN SIGHT—LOW TREATMENT RATES SECURED.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Richard Flewman, managing director of the Winnipeg mine, left yesterday morning for the Boundary, his mission being in connection with the proposed resumption of activity at the property. The prospects for the plans of the management being put into effect along this line at an early date are now bright, which will interest numerous Roseland people who hold shares in the company.

The conditions governing the Winnipeg have been amended so that its outlook is excellent. The company has now an assurance of a steady market for all the ore that can be mined at the Winnipeg, and at rates that are exceptionally favorable as compared with the lowest charges ever secured previously. A contract will be closed shortly with the Boundary Falls smelter, which is regarded as exceedingly favorable. Costs of mining are, of course, fairly well established, and the company can ship ore at a substantial margin of profit.

An essential to the successful operation of the Winnipeg is the installation of machinery to replace the works destroyed over a year ago by fire. Moreover, the mine is developed to the stage where it is necessary to install a much larger plant than the mine has yet possessed. The management has practically arranged for the acquisition of a ten drill compressor and a 250-horse power hoist. This will be ample to run the mine for a considerable period. During the period when it was operated the Winnipeg has produced about 3000 tons of ore, averaging \$12 per ton. This returned a profit of about \$5 per ton, which went to defray the cost of development.

ON SCHEDULE TIME

LE ROI TWO CONCENTRATOR PROGRESSING AS WAS ESTIMATED.

DETAILS OF WORK NOW UNDERWAY—BUILDINGS FINISHED.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) When the Le Roi Two concentrator was started a couple of months ago a schedule was arranged for the completion of the various portions of the work. Up to date this schedule has been adhered to closely, and the company is gratified at the few delays encountered. They have every confidence that the works will be in active operation by October 1.

Full advantage is being taken of the good weather for building now prevailing, and excellent progress is being made. The buildings are, for all practical purposes, completed. Some windows have to be put in position, a few small flights of stairs have to be set up, and a few odds and ends of this nature remain to be attended to, all of which are not likely to be completed until the machinery is all set up. The installation of the oil process is well advanced, and ten days will suffice to complete the work in this section of the works. The foundation for the Chilian mills is well under way, and good progress is being made with the installation of the balance of the crushing machinery, including the shafting.

The mill will be heated with a small boiler plant and operated by electricity from the West Kootenay Power & Light company's system. Seventy electrical horse power will be utilized and a start will be made in a few days on setting up the motors. The West Kootenay Electric & Power company is also to start immediately with the wiring of the works.

When the work commences handling ore a crew of eighteen men or thereabouts will be employed. This makes the per tonnage cost for labor somewhat high, but it will be remembered that the plant is on an experimental basis as a starter, and that when it is increased to 100 tons per day the increase in the crew will not amount to more than two, so that the per ton cost for labor will be almost cut in half. As further units are added to the works the relative cost of labor is accordingly reduced.

BANK CLEARINGS. The Business at Canadian Points for the Past Week.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The following are some of the weekly clearings as compiled by Bradstreet's, for the week ending August 6th, with percentages of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year: Montreal, \$19,148,841, increase 1.5. Toronto, \$12,961,870, increase 2.2. Winnipeg, \$4,205,312, increase 20. Halifax, \$1,958,965, decrease 4.9. Ottawa, \$2,167,512, decrease 4.0. Vancouver, \$1,471,349, increase 51.2. Quebec, \$1,851,156, increase 20.7. Hamilton, \$1,063,977, increase 49.2. St. Johns, \$1,127,119, increase 12.3. Victoria, \$845,384, increase 7.1.

FOR THE CARNIVAL

WORK OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE ON DETAILS OF PROGRAM.

JUDGES FOR SEVERAL OF THE CONTESTS - DECORATION COMMITTEE.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

A meeting of the committee on decorations will be held in the general committee rooms today at 4 o'clock.

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THE LE ROI AGREES

TO CONNECTION WITH CITY WATER SYSTEM - ATTACHES A STRING.

BILL POSTERS TO BE CHARGED ANNUAL LICENSE UNDER BY-LAW.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

About the only matter of interest in connection with last night's city council meeting was an announcement by the Le Roi Mining Company, Ltd., through S. F. Parrish, general manager, that it agreed to the proposal to connect the city water system with the mine system under certain conditions set forth at length in the communication.

The strictures laid down are what the corporation expected to encounter, and will be agreed to.

The Le Roi company makes three conditions, briefly as follows:

1. The proposed connection must not interfere with the company's use of the water. 2. The company assumes no responsibility, and if a third party objects the corporation must indemnify the company for any loss or liability and conduct all legal proceedings.

3. Either party may put an end to the agreement by giving 48 hours' notice. The letter went to the fire, water and light committee, which is handling the water question.

Under the by-law about to be passed by the council and read a first time last night, bill posters are required to take out a yearly license of \$30 in future. This applies to parties painting signs on walls or temporary structures. Alderman Daniel asked if the by-law was governed by the Municipal Clauses Act, and was informed by City Solicitor Nelson that the act made no provision for such civic legislation, but that several coast cities possessed similar by-laws, and there had apparently been no effort to upset them.

Alderman Daniel then remarked that he had been consulted by a party whose business would be affected, and that the contention was raised that the ordinance traders' license covered the ground, and that an objection would be taken were the by-law passed. It was left over for a week.

City Solicitor Nelson did not bring up the matter of the application by the Bank saloon for a license.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The Sunday school children of the Sacred Heart church will picnic at Sheep creek on Saturday next. The party leaves by the morning train over the Spokane Falls & Northern road.

Prior to their departure from the city yesterday, C. Ennor Sharpe, grand master of the A. F. & A. M. for British Columbia, and Dr. Westwood, of Grand Forks, were shown over several of the mines. They enjoyed the visit immensely.

Perry Queenan, the well known Seattle boxer, has signed articles to spar here on the night of the 25th inst. with Mullins, the Canadian Pacific employee. Max Crow is arranging the details, and the go should be fast with two such clever men. Queenan leaves Seattle on the 18th inst. for Rossland.

The total attendance at the city public schools yesterday was 415. This is more pupils than were attending school at the commencement of the summer holidays, and the number will be further increased during the week. The trustees deduce from these facts that the school population for the balance of the year will be considerably larger than for the first six months. This is important, inasmuch as it will increase the sum derived from the province in the form of per capita grant.

The young ladies of the Chancel Guild of St. George's church are to be congratulated on the success which attended their social and dance at Zion hall last night. The affair was largely attended, and was thoroughly enjoyable from start to finish. A feature of the evening was the floral decorations. Refreshments were served, this department being divided as follows: Ice cream by Mesdames Bennett and Boutelle; candy by Mesdames Curtis and Cumliffe; lemonade by Misses Townsend, Billing and Webster. On the general committee, and assiduous in promoting the success of the entertainment in various ways, were Mrs. R. A. Laird, the Misses Hobbs, Beatrice Hobbs, Blanche Hobbs, Evans, Falding and Boutelle. Daiby Morkill also rendered the committee valuable assistance.

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THE BIG FIGHTERS

A GREAT CROWD EXPECTED TO SEE THE CORBETT AND JEFFRIES MATCH.

DESCRIPTION OF THE WAY IN WHICH THE FORMER CHAMPION TRAINS.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 11.—While betting is rather quiet on the big fight about to come off between Corbett and Jeffries, the lack of interest in this respect is more than made up by the enthusiasm which is being developed all over the country in the coming contest. The sale of seats will be one of the greatest in the annals of pugilism in this city. The gate receipts will amount to \$50,000, and it is expected that nearly a third of the audience will be made up of visitors from out of town.

W. W. Naughton writes in the San Francisco Examiner:

Jim Corbett burnishing up his speed qualities is a far more interesting object to watch than Jim Corbett toying with cumbersome apparatus for the purpose of developing muscle.

Jim is a regular dancing dervish these mornings when he cuts loose with Yank Kenny on the roped platform out under the trees at Croll's. Yank is the heavy villain of the play. He impersonates Jeffries, even to the crouch which Tommy Ryan claims to have invented in the first place.

When doubled over Yank is quite formidable to look at. He weighs somewhere around 240 and each of his arms is as long as an ear and as thick as an average man's leg. He fastens his gaze on Corbett's mid-section, wrinkles his forehead and then wades in.

It looks as if Corbett's only way to avoid these reachy sweeps at his ribs is to duck out of the enclosure, but Jim remains within the ropes and fits around in such a manner as to clear Yank's plan of attack.

Corbett jumps and jabs in a trice way. At times when he is sweeping Kenny's swings he appears to be working easily from toe to heel. He always sees to it that his opponent's blows go by him, and whether rocking or swinging he keeps jolting Kenny around the ears and jaw with both hands and carrying himself as though his main purpose is to watch for signs of dizziness or weariness in order that he may cease his butterfly tactics and concentrate force and attention on a knockout punch.

It is very fatiguing work for Kenny—but Corbett doesn't seem to mind it a bit. The perpetual motion of the thing; the constant taunting and thumping is a species of gloating that he delights in, and if in the championship fight that is now so near Jeffries has to follow Corbett through even a few rounds of this kind of going the way of condition will be as severe as any the champion has been put to for a long time.

In addition to this continuous performance work with Kenny, Corbett had quite a session with the light ball yesterday morning. He punched it for five rounds and crowded as much action into the practice as some boxers in training do into ten rounds of the same kind of thing. He had also a bit of shadow work with Berger, and after his shower and rub he raised the beam at 186 pounds.

Corbett is thoroughly satisfied with his speed drill so far, and for that matter considers that he is as fit to box now as he will be on August 14th. He says his aim from now on will be to keep at his present notch.

"Jeffries, I see, has been hitting at what may happen in the clinches if I don't behave myself," said Corbett. "Now I have never been accused of boxing unfairly, but at the same time I want the big fellow to know that I know something about clinching and will be able to take care of myself. As for his leaning on me, as they say he is doing with his partners up at Harbin Springs, I don't see how anything of that kind will help him to win. If he takes to leaning I may do the same, and I guess the crowd will kick if there is twenty rounds of leaning."

This was in reply to certain emanations from Jeffries' camp. It appears some one told Jeffries that Corbett resorted to heeling with the gloves and tricks of that character when trying to free himself from a clinch. Jeff declared that if Corbett tried anything of that kind it would be "all the worse for him." Corbett denies that he fights unfairly and at the same time throws out an intimation that he is capable of looking out for himself in the clinches.

It has been told at different times that Jeffries leans heavily on his sparing partners and compels them to exert all their strength while pushing him away. Corbett says he is not likely to fall into a trap of that kind, and his remarks imply that if Jeffries evinces a disposition to lean he will adopt similar tactics.

In such a case poor Graney would have a strenuous time in forcing the two heavyweights apart.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

THE GREAT RIFLE MATCH.

Some Observations on the Contest for the Palma Trophy.

The best review of the match and the lessons learned are to be found in the following article by L. R. Tippins, who formerly wrote under the nom de plume of "Marksmen."

This was in many of its features the most interesting and important rifle-match ever held. In the number of "na-tions" an "openness" competing in the match was wholly unprecedented; though, after all, there were but three languages.

The real contest lay between Great Britain and the United States, but with such great provinces as Canada and Australia ready to take advantage of the slightest failure of either. The French and Norwegians were never "in it," though their men were good fellows and by no means bad shots. But their appliances and their training were not of the excellence demanded by such a contest, and some, at least, of the men

had never shot at anything like such ranges.

The contest is popularly supposed to show which are the best rifles and the best men. In some senses it does; but not so completely and clearly as the general public supposes.

Although fired with the "national arm of each country," the specifications were not in all particulars strictly followed. The British shot strictly with rifles inspected and passed by a government viewer as in all respects identical with the "government-made rifles." They used exactly the weapons allowed at Bideley for service rifle competitions. The rifle was absolutely identical with government pattern. The Americans used a rifle which in action and general construction is of government pattern, but in the really vital matter of rifling is of entirely different construction. It is not the Krag-Jorgensen barrel, but a special Stevens-Pope barrel; that is, the rifling was designed by that barrel-making genius, Pope, and made by the well known tool and machine and barrel makers, the Stevens' Company of Chicopee Falls. Probably this rifling will be adopted by the United States government in a new rifle; but it is not yet adopted.

The British sights are an open V or a straight bar. They are not movable laterally to give varying wind allowances. The American sights have a hole in the backsight, through which aperture aim can be taken; and the backsight is easily rotated to give very reasonable wind allowance. For target work the aperture sights have considerable advantages, especially when the variations are not too rapid or extreme. The ammunition to be used was not specified, and the British team commander, Major Fremantle, knew perfectly well that on a good day they would win on government ammunition. Indeed, at one time it looked very likely that the British would have used an American powder to have any chance of winning. The fundamental defect is not so much in the "certificates" and the details of the cartridges. But the King's Norton Ammunition company produced a cartridge for the .303 rifle with a rather heavier bullet, and which was better adapted for the shooting. The shooting was immensely superior to anything hitherto available, and the cartridge was used with great satisfaction.

The American team could not hope to win on government ammunition, and never intended to try. They used cartridges loaded by the Union Metallic Co. with Laflin & Rands powder. It is a very fine cartridge, not quite perfect, but perhaps the very finest shooting powder the teams were both well organized, though not quite on the same lines. The British were coached in the match by Col. Hopton and Col. Gibbs—two of the finest coaches in the whole world. The men shot strictly to order, and, in the main, managed to obey orders with wonderful exactitude. The Americans had a looser system of mutual coaching which was better adapted for the flood tide of success than to stem the strong ebb of adversity. There was not enough adversity to try them much, and they seized on prosperity with their national avidity. In easy times they fired with great rapidity, repeating their aims and hits like lightning; but when "mags" or "conters" boded ill they simply "lay low" till a long look and a trial shot showed fair prospects. Then they went ahead again.

The British disdained to hurry, and could not with open sights repeat an accurate aim so quickly, so that they let the good times go without full harvest; and in the bleak and barren times they struggled on without delay or slackening, but pitted their skill against the elements, and with no small measure of success.

The American team won because they had the weather that suited their weapon and organization, and were well able to take advantage of their chance. The British lost because they had, for target work, inferior sights. For war our sights are better equipped for war and war comes to us full often. For target work the American sight is better fitted, and their rifle has less need than ours to be war proof.

We may well improve our rifle, though recent proposals are not wholly improvements; but we shall be in error if we hastily assume the American rifle is the best. In truth, our five top men were beaten by 22 points. But of the 720 shots fired by both teams not one missed the target. The scores were close to those made in the Elcho with match sights; and the match as a whole was a marvellous demonstration of the power and accuracy of the Queen of Weapons.

(From TURF TO SOCIAL SET.)

It seems that the speediest route from the workaday life to the rim of the inner circle is by the way of the race track and many millionaires are calmly "taking the tip" and starting fine stables. A thoroughbred like a "touch of nature," makes the whole world kin, and relative social positions, ancestors, and so forth are quite forgotten in the sporty atmosphere of the race track. By means of Hermis, Pulsis and Verdarm, Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Thomas are arriving at their goal—the fashionable set. A year ago few had heard of Edward R. Thomas except a few Broadway luminaries. His wife, Miss Linda Lee, of Louisville, was unknown, although noted in hotels and restaurants for the sumptuousness of her gowns. But now it is all changed, and the Thomases are in the act of "arriving." Mr. Thomas' sister married Mr. R. Livingston Beekman, and so she is ensconced in the heart of the Knickerbocker set. Who could assist a Mrs. Livingston Beekman? Besides, the daughter of the Thomases is a most beautiful and attractive girl. She is an intimate friend of Mrs. Louis Lorrillard, Mr. Beekman's sister. These two couples have been seen together a great deal of late driving about young Thomas' coach.

Young Mrs. Beekman already has shown a fine degree of diplomacy, and after she has thrown aside her mourning for her father she will take her place in the loftiest of sets—Newport. She has bought a villa there and disposed of to Edwin Gould the gorgeous castle at Ardsley, that her father bequeathed her. Formerly Ardsley was good enough for the Thomases, but not these days. Brother and sister are

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Dated this 3rd day of August, 1903. A. M. THOMAS, Secretary.

THE VIRTUE OF POTATOES.

One morning early we began to plant the shrubs. "Where will ye have the rosy dandrums?" was my greeting from Thomas as I entered the garden. Having slyly noticed from the back of my table that he had buried something at the bottom of each hole prepared for the planting, I waited my chance the first minute he was out of sight, dropped on my knees, felt around in the soft soil at the bottom of the hole and unearthed—a potato. Another hole, and still another was exhumed. Yes, there was a potato in each; he must have wasted a bushel.

"Thomas," I said, when he had returned with a load from the compost heap, "what are these potatoes doing down here?"

"Divil a tree will grow in D Ireland without wan," he explained. "How is that?" I asked, in darkest ignorance.

"Ye see, mum, the potato sprouts first off, then, begorra, it lifts the life into the tree and obliges it to push for'ward." As a matter of fact, I did not lose a tree or shrub in spite of the long drought.—From Country Life in America.

A PHENOMENAL MEMORY.

Think of a man who has so memorized a book of 20 volumes that he can instantly tell you the first word on any page you may name, can repeat exactly all the words in any particular line on any page, can repeat the whole book from beginning to end, or take any chapter at random and do the same!

Such a man is in Butte. His name is Rev. David Rosenfield, and he is from Minek, Russia—a Jew who finds it healthier to live in the United States than in the land of Kischineff massacres.

He came to this country five months ago, and after a short visit in Chicago went on to Seattle, where he has been visiting relatives. He is here today on the way east again. Rev. Harry Weiss, Jewish rabbi in this city, is entertaining him.

Rosenfield has one of the most wonderful memories in the world. He is of short stature, with large head, the forehead bulging prominently over the eyes—a characteristic of all those who have performed remarkable feats of memory. His beard is long and bushy, his eyes large and of kindly expression.

Rosenfield has completely mastered the whole of the Talmud, and most of his marvelous feats are performed in connection with that book.—Butte Inter-Mountain.

(KILLED IN HONDURAS.)

Murder of a New York Man who Owned Plantations There.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 11.—M. Lippmann, of New York, was assassinated in Honduras on July 28th last. Mr. Lippmann, whose New York address was No. 17 East 95th street, owned plantations in Honduras. He was living on one of these at the time he was murdered. The news was brought to this city by his partner, who arrived last night.

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One Eye See mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the divide between Murphy and Rock creeks.

Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for Mrs. Alvida Simpson, free miner's certificate No. B 1507, 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, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 27th day of July, A. D. 1903. N. F. TOWNSEND.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice.

Benbolt and Big Casino mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district.

Where located: On Lookout mountain, near Rossland.

Take notice that I, Charles Robert Hamilton, free miner's certificate No. 375,472, acting as agent for John Weir, free miner's certificate No. 280,154, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice