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The Mining News,

AND REGISTER OF THE STOCK AND REAL ESTATE MARKETS.

No. 3.

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER ISLAND, SATURDAY, MAY 28, 1861.

Price, 12½ cts.

As was to be expected, the course pursued by this journal has already given dissatisfaction in certain quarters. Those who are interested in maintaining prices are annoyed at the publication of offers which they consider too low, and they threaten failure to the journal which is indiscreet enough to record them.

Our course, however, is perfectly clear and will not be changed. Those who are interested can easily remedy for themselves the evil of which they complain. Let them attend the Boards regularly, and if offers to sell be too low, let them purchase the stock and offer it at what they think its value. If offers to buy be too low, let them bid more. We shall continue to record faithfully the lowest offer to sell, and the highest offer to buy, excepting when a sale renders this course unnecessary. Were we once to suppress *bona fide* offers, we should incur the responsibility of making prices, and should forfeit much of the confidence we at present enjoy.

No doubt, in a small community, especially at a season of depression, neither offers to sell nor offers to buy mark the real value of stock; but, in combination with the other information furnished, they constitute the only materials from which a price can be made, and we believe that the public would rather perform this part of the operation for itself than have it performed by those whom, wrongly no doubt, it would suspect.

The intelligence given in our last respecting the Skidegate Copper Mine has since been verified. At a meeting of the Directors on Monday, a letter from the foreman was read in which he states that the vein is from twelve to sixteen inches thick—a little the thickest, and apparently the richest, at the western end of the shaft. The sample forwarded (now in the possession of the Secretary) was taken from the bottom of the shaft on the previous day (April 23d), and is, in the foreman's opinion, the best yellow ore that has ever been sent to Victoria from any part of these Colonies. The indications are continually improving. A quantity of ore is said to be ready for shipment.

The effect of this intelligence on the price of shares has been comparatively slight, owing partly, no doubt, to the assessment levied on Saturday last.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Prices generally have not rallied from the depression of previous weeks. We have however to report a sudden rise in Skidegate stock, which advanced on Monday to nearly double the price of last week, in consequence of the intelligence already mentioned.

Queen Charlotte has maintained the price to which it rose on receipt of advices from Mr. Barnaby. No further alteration can be expected until the arrival of the English mail.

Alberni, Sangster, Union, and Patmore have receded still further. Calls have become due, of \$2 50 on Sansum, of 50c on Alberni, and of 25c on Comiaken.

A Cargo of Coal, said to be of a very superior quality, has arrived from the Fuca Straits Coal Mine. Some of it was sold by auction at the rate of \$10 50 the ton.

GLOSSARY OR EXPLANATION

OF

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL TERMS

USED IN

GEOLOGY, MINERALOGY, MINING AND PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY.

- ABRASION.** The removal of particles by rubbing.
- ABSORBENT.** Capable of sucking up fluids. Thus chalk is said to be *absorbent* of water.
- ACCLIMATIZED** (in Physical Geography). To accustom to a climate different from that which is natural—applied both to plants and animals.
- ACCRETION.** Increase of size or growth by the mechanical addition of new particles.
- ACEPHALA** (in Zoology). A division of mollusca including animals without heads. The oyster and scallop are familiar examples.
- ACICULAR.** Needle-shaped.
- ACIDULOUS.** Slightly acid.
- ACLINIC LINE** (in Physical Geography). The magnetic equator.
- ADAMANTINE** (in Mineralogy). Having a lustre like that of the diamond.
- ADHESION** (in Chemistry). The force of cohesion acting between solid masses in close contact at many points.
- ADIT** (in mining). An underground horizontal gallery or tunnel used in carrying water out of a mine at the lowest convenient level.
- ADVENTURE** (in mining). A mine in actual work.
- ADVENTURERS.** The shareholders of a mine in work.
- AEROLITES.** Stones which appear to have fallen from the higher parts of the atmosphere. They are sometimes called *Meteorites*.
- AFFINITY** (in Chemistry). The tendency of various substances to combine.
- AFFINITY** (in Zoology and Botany.) The condition of similarity in essential characters, and not merely similarity of form or use, as in analogy.
- AFTER-DAMP** (in mining). The gas (carbonic acid gas) produced in mines after an explosion of fire-damp.
- AGUILLE** (a needle) Used in Physical Geography to designate the peaks of mountains.
- ALBUM-GRÆCUM** (in Geology) The name given to the calcareous excrement of some of the carnivora.
- ALIVE** (in mining.) That part of a lode which contains ore worth working.
- ALGÆ** (in Botany.) A division of plants including the common sea-weeds.
- ALKALI** (in Chemistry) That which after combination with an acid produces a neutral salt.
- ALLOTROPY** (in Mineralogy and Chemistry) The existence in one substance of more than one crystallographical form and different physical characteristics.
- ALLUVIUM** (in Geology) Earth, sand, gravel, stones, and other substances transported by water, and not permanently buried beneath the waters of lakes and seas. The adjective *alluvial* is often used. *Alluvion* is a synonym.
- ALUMINOUS.** Containing alumina, or rather silicate of alumina, which is the base of pure clay. Thus, *aluminous* means *clayey*. The word is sometimes used in the sense of containing *alum*, a sulphate of alumina and potash.
- ALVEOLUS.** Literally a socket, or small cavity or cell. Used in Palæontology to signify the chamber of a belemnite.
- AMALGAM.** A soft compound of any metal with mercury.
- AMMONITE** (in Palæontology.) A fossil genus of many-chambered shells allied to the Nautilus, named from the resemblance of some common species to the horns on the statues of Jupiter Ammon.
- AMORPHOUS.** Without regular form.
- AMORPHOUS** (in Natural History.) Animals without definite form—sponges.
- AMYGDALOID** (in Geology.) Almond shaped. Any rock is called by this name which contains rounded or elongated minerals imbedded in some simple mineral as a base.
- ANALOGY.** A relation of resemblance as distinguished from that of affinity. See Affinity. An *analogue* is a body that corresponds with and represents another, as fossil species frequently does a recent one.

[At the request of some working miners, we shall, when more important matter does not present itself, continue the Glossary of which we here give a first installment.]

TRANSACTIONS AT THE VICTORIA STOCK AND SHARE EXCHANGE FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 28, 1864.

COPPER.	Capital	No of Shares Original	Shares Divided	Liability per Share	Paid up per Share	No. of Shares Preferred	When Registered	MONDAY.		TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURDAY.
Alberni	\$36,000		3,000	\$10		600	10 00	\$ 100 @ 40c	B 50 @ 30c	NO MEETING.				No MEETING.
Comiaken	75,000		3,900	25	10	600	10 00	May 13, 1864				\$ 25 @ 65c	B 25 @ 30c, S 50 @ 60c	B 50 @ 32c
Departure Bay		50												
Eureka		48												
Garibaldi	60,000		9,900	19	0 37 1/2	1200	3 00	April 4, 1864	\$ 25 @ 75c	B 25 @ 65c				
Queen Charlotte	30,000	3 00		100					\$ 4 @ \$72.50	B 4 @ \$62		\$ 50 @ 75c	100 @ 80c	
Sangster	50,000		5,000	10	0 75			Dec 1863	\$ 50 @ 50c					B 1 @ \$62
Sansum	40,000		2,000	20	6 00				\$ 5 @ \$2					
Skidegate	30,000		3,000	10	2 85			March, 1864	20 @ \$1.50			\$ 10 @ \$2	S 5 @ \$3.60	
Smoke	75,000		3,000	25	3 25	500	5 00		\$ 5 @ \$3			\$ 6 @ \$1.50	15 @ 80c	
Union	120,000		12,000	10	0 10	2,400	25	April, 1864	111 @ \$1.50			\$ 10 @ \$4.30	S 5 @ \$7.70	100 @ 10c
GOLD QUARTZ.														
American			4,500						\$ 50 @ 60c					
Britannia	22,500		2,250	10	0 52			April 14, '64			\$ 50 @ 30c			
Douglas									\$ 1 int @ \$25					\$ 90 @ 50c
Gould & Curry											\$ int @ \$10			
Great Britain												\$ 1 int @ \$10, b 30		\$ 1 @ \$20
Jenny Lind														
Kennedy									\$ 1 int @ \$40					
Lake District												\$ 1 int @ \$13 (call of \$8 p'd)		1 @ \$15
Muir	11,000		220	50	4 00			Jan., 1864	\$ 20 @ \$2.50, s 30					
Parameter	21,000		4,200	5	1 00			April 17, '64	\$ 25 @ 40c			\$ 10 @ \$1.50	\$ 5 @ \$3	
St. George									\$ 20 @ 40c			\$ 25 @ 50c		
SILVER, &c.														
Fort Hope	30,000		600	50	16 00				\$ 1 @ \$1	1 @ \$22				
Blue Lead														
Pacific Gold and Silver														
Souques Creek														
MISCELLANEOUS.														
Antler Bed Rock	60,000		2,400	25	10 00	1,200	25	Feb., 1864	\$ 5 @ \$5.50			\$ 5 @ \$7		
Artesian Gold Mining	137,000		2,640	50	50							\$ 5 @ \$5		\$ 5 @ \$5
Gold Stream Quartz Crushing	10,000		200	50	5			April, 1864				\$ 5 @ \$5		
Victoria Gas	100,000		1,000	100	50 00	750	100 00	Dec. 19, 1-60	5 @ 50c			\$ 2 @ \$1.50	B 2 @ 50c, S 2 @ \$4	B 2 @ 62 1/2c
Goose Creek Bed Rock Flume	10,000		100	100	10 00			March, 1864						
Grouse Creek Flume	50,000		1,000	50	2 50			April,						
Horseshoe Mining	10,000		100	100	10 00			March, 1864						

TRANSACTIONS AT THE STOCK AND EXCHANGE BOARD FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 28, 1864.

COPPER.					GOLD QUARTZ.					SILVER, &c.					MISCELLANEOUS.				
MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.
(No Meeting)					(No Meeting)					(No Meeting)					(No Meeting)				
Alberni	\$ 50 @ 50c		\$ 50 @ 95c	\$ 25 @ 55c	B 200 @ 40c	\$ 25 @ 60c	B 350 @ 40c			Fort Hope	\$ 1 @ \$25	B 1 @ \$20			Antler Bed Rock	\$ 5 @ \$5			
Comiaken	\$ 100 @ 67c			\$ 160 @ \$1		\$ 80 @ 75c				Blue Lead			\$ 5 @ \$5	B 5 @ \$30	Artesian Gold Mining				
Departure Bay										Pacific Gold and Silver					Gold Stream Quartz Crushing				
Eureka										Souques Creek					Victoria Gas				
Garibaldi	\$ 50 @ \$1		\$ 50 @ 75c	\$ 50 @ 97c		100 @ 65c								Goose Creek Bed Rock Flume					
Queen Charlotte	\$ 5 @ \$75	B 5 @ \$60		\$ 1 @ \$80	B 1 @ \$65	\$ 2 @ \$95	B 20 @ \$55							Grouse Creek Flume					
Sangster	\$ 50 @ 40c			\$ 5 @ 20c		50 @ 20c								Horseshoe Mining					
Sansum	\$ 5 @ \$2	B 10 @ 50c		\$ 10 @ \$1	B 10 @ \$1.50	\$ 5 @ \$3.50													
Skidegate	\$ 2 @ \$1.75			\$ 30 @ \$1.25, b 30, 100 @ \$1.5		\$ 50 @ \$1	B 50 @ 80c, b 30												
Smoke	\$ 5 @ \$3, 10 pf @ \$3.5, B 10 pf @ \$3		\$ 5 @ \$3.50	\$ 10 @ \$3.25		\$ 5 @ \$3.50	B 10 @ \$3, b 30												
Union	100 @ 15c, 200 @ 10c		100 @ 15c	\$ 100 @ 15c, b 30		\$ 200 @ 20c													

The Entries represent cash Sales, unless marked S or B. S denotes offers to sell; B, offers to buy; b, with a numeral, the number of days within which the buyer has the option of delivery; s, with a numeral, the number of days within which the seller has the option of taking.

Mining Notices.

ASSESSMENTS.

Skidegate Bay Copper Mining Co. Limited.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT at a Meeting of the Directors of the above Company held this day, an Assessment of 75 cents per Share was levied to be paid to the Secretary on or before the 4th June, 1864.

N. J. NEUSTADT, Secretary.
Victoria, V. I., May 20, 1864. ma21 14t

GOLD STREAM QUARTZ CRUSHING CO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT at a meeting of the Directors of the above Company, held this day, an Assessment of Three Dollars per share was made, payable on or before Saturday next, the 28th inst., at the Office of the Company.

J. H. PITTS, Secretary.
Victoria, May 23 11. 1864. ma24

OVERDUE.

Comiaken Mining Company, Limited.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT at a meeting of the Board of Director, held on the 9th instant, an Assessment of 25 Cents per Share was levied, to be paid to the Secretary on or before the 25th instant.

W. C. ROBINSON, Secretary.
Company's Office, Government street, }
Victoria, 10th May, 1864. } mail

Parmeter Gold and Silver Mining Co. (LIMITED.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT an Assessment of SEVEN CENTS per Share on the Stock of the Company has this day been levied and made payable at the office of the Secretary, Fort street, within FIVE DAYS from date.

By order of the Directors
M. W. PRUYS, Secretary.
Victoria, V. I., 20th April, 1864.

Directory.

ASSAYERS, &C.

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA ASSAY OFFICE.
VICTORIA, V. I.

Gold Dust melted and Assayed. Charges—All Deposits under 50 ounces, \$2 00; for all Deposits above 50 ounces, $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1 per cent. Ores of every description carefully assayed. Charges—For each Mineral assay, \$10 00. Gold Dust and Bars purchased at the current rates.

J. G. SHEPHERD, Manager.

Molitor & Co.,

YATES STREET.

Gold Dust melted and assayed, careful analyses made of Ores, Minerals and Metals.

Spratt & Kriemler,

ALBION IRON WORKS,

Quartz crushed for Assay.

ENGINEERS, SURVEYORS, AND ARCHITECTS.

Homfray, Robt.

CIVIL AND MINING ENGINEER,
GOVERNMENT STREET.

Landale, J. J.

CIVIL AND MINING ENGINEER,
NANAIMO.

Mallandaine, E.

ARCHITECT,
MOORE'S BUILDING, YATES STREET.

Oakley, W.

ARCHITECT AND SURVEYOR,
GOVERNMENT STREET.

Plummer, Robt.

MINING ENGINEER,
VICTORIA, V. I.,
Surveys and Reports on Mining and Machinery generally.

Directory.

BROKERS & REAL ESTATE AGENTS.

Allsop, T.

LAND AGENT AND STOCK BROKER
GOVERNMENT ST., NEAR BROUGHTON.
Has had considerable experience in inspecting and reporting on Mines in Cornwall and elsewhere.

Barnett, G.,

LAND AGENT AND STOCK BROKER,
GOVERNMENT STREET.

Foucault, V. M.

LAND AGENT AND STOCK BROKER,
GOVERNMENT STREET.
(Late the office of Chas. Fellows)
Town Lots and Farming Lands Bought and Sold.

Franklin, Selim & Co.

LAND AGENTS AND AUCTIONEERS,
GOVERNMENT STREET.

Heisterman, H. F.

REAL ESTATE AGENT,
36 GOVERNMENT STREET,
(Formerly Ld. Lowenberg's Office.)
All transactions appertaining to Real Estate conducted confidentially and with despatch. Money loaned on Mortgage, &c. Conveyances prepared.

Robinson, W. C.

LAND AGENT & STOCK BROKER
GOVERNMENT STREET,
(Opposite the Esaufort Hotel.)

Waddington, E. C.

LAND AGENT AND STOCK BROKER,
GOVERNMENT STREET,
(Next the St. Nicholas Hotel.)

Weissenburger, F.

(Successor to Ld. Lowenberg.)
REAL ESTATE AGENT,
36 [EAST SIDE] GOVERNMENT STREET,
(Between Broughton and Fort Streets.)

Miscellaneous.

VANCOUVER ISLAND PUBLIC NOTICE.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
6th February, 1864. }

THE ACTING REGISTRAR OF JOINT Stock Companies calls the attention of the various companies registered in Vancouver Island to the following rules, which should be complied with by such companies without delay, inasmuch as the omission of observance of these rules hitherto has arisen most probably from want of knowledge of their existence, none of the delinquents will be proceeded against for the past penalties, but notice is hereby given that within 30 days after the publication of this advertisement, the said penalties will have to be enforced unless the requirements of the statute are complied with.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATUTE.

1st. The name of the company shall be painted or affixed to the outside of the office.

2d. Notice of the situation of the registered office shall be given to the Registrar.

3. A Register of Shareholders to be made pursuant to the 6th and 17th sections of the 15th and 20th Vic. cap. 47, and shall be kept in the office of the company, and a copy authenticated by the seal of the company forwarded to the Registrar's office.

4th. If any special resolution is passed by the company under the 24th section of the same Act, a copy of such special resolution must within 15 days from its passage be forwarded to the Registrar.

5b. If any increase of the promised capital of any company is made by a resolution of the company, notice of such increase must be given to the Registrar within 15 days of the passage of the resolution authorizing any such increase.

GEORGE HUNTER CARY,
Acting Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

NOW READY

Mr. Park's Work on the Mining Laws of British Columbia.

A PRACTICAL VIEW OF THE MINING Laws of British Columbia; by Joseph Park, of the Middle Temple, Esq., Barrister at Law. Pocket-size. Sold by Hibben & Carswell, Yates street.

Miscellaneous.

THE MINING NEWS,

And Register of the Stock and Real Estate Markets.

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY, price 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents, will contain the latest information relative to these important interests. Of the Mining and other Companies organized to develop our resources, a tabular view will be given weekly, exhibiting the amount of capital, number of shares, liability, amount paid up, date of registration, and the daily prices. Sales by auction of Stock and Real Estate will be reported.

Of such of our Joint Stock Companies as are not quoted in this market, the latest London prices will be given.

Particular attention will be paid to Real Estate. All known sales will be recorded, and everything tending to affect its value carefully noted.

As it is the object of the MINING NEWS to serve the community and not any individual or Company, exaggeration will be carefully avoided. Information will always be sought officially from those qualified to give it, on whose authority it will be laid before the public, accompanied by any modifying facts which may come to the editor's knowledge.

ADVERTISEMENTS will be so arranged as to exhibit at a glance the Meetings of Companies to be held during the ensuing week, the Assessments due on Mining Shares, and other matters of interest. As space will be limited, advertisements connected with Mining and Real Estate will receive the preference.

All communications should be addressed to Mr. W. S. BONS, Fort street.

VANCOUVER ISLAND.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

May 16th, 1864.

The Governor has been pleased to direct that the attention of the Public be called to the following sections of the "Real Estate Tax Amendment Act, 1862."

XX.—The Court shall meet within three days after the delivery of the copy of the roll aforesaid, and shall continue their sittings, from time to time, until the business of hearing appeals presented to them is disposed of; and they shall finally decide upon such appeals, and deliver the roll as amended to the Treasurer within sixty days from their first sitting.

XXIII.—The proceedings for the trial of complaints shall be as follows: Any person complaining of an error or omission, undercharge, or overcharge in respect of any land, shall personally, or by his agent, within fourteen days after the posting up of the Roll, give notice in writing to the Assessor that he considers himself aggrieved for any or all of the causes aforesaid, giving the number of the lot or section where situated, name of the owner, and the nature of complaint.

By His Excellency's command.

EDWIN JAMES NESBITT.

VANCOUVER ISLAND.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

9th May, 1864.

The Governor has been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to be Pilot Commissioners under the provisions of "The Victoria Pilot Act, 1864"—William A. G. Young, Henry Wootton, Joseph Johnson Southgate.

By His Excellency's command.

WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG.