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### THE MINING REVIEW

#### Several Strikes of Minor Importance During the Week.

### WEEKLY OUTPUT INCREASING

The Last Six Months of the Year will Witness a Still Further Increased Output—The Lily May, Leiter, and Green Mountain all Showing up well.

The British America corporation has purchased the Caledonia group of 11 claims over on the west branch of Big Sheep creek in the neighborhood of Sophie mountain. The vendor was Sir Sanford Fleming. The amount of the purchase money has not been made public. Only assessment work will be undertaken on the group this season by the new owners.

A considerable body of ore has been found on the Lily May, in the south belt. The ore will average about \$7 a ton. The I. X. L. Mining company has resumed work vigorously on its property on O. K. mountain with very good success. The ore vein when first encountered on the resumption of work, was about a foot in width, but as the work proceeded, it has widened out to nearly three feet.

The Evening Star, the Green Mountain, the Homestake and the Leiter are credited with finds of more or less importance during the week.

The ore shipments during the past week show a decided gain over the previous week, but they are still below the estimate looked for. The Le Roi heads the list with 54 carloads, or 1,728 tons. The War Eagle and Centre Star combined sent down 65 carloads, or 1,950 tons. The Even Star is credited with a carload, but the Iron Mask is not back on the shipping list yet. The total output for the week just closed was 3,708 tons. As stated early in the week, the regular ore cars in the Columbia & Western were at first given loads of 35 and 40 tons per car, but so much trouble arose in getting the ore trains down to Trail over the new roadbed, the cars getting off the track frequently and blocking the traffic, that orders were given not to exceed 30 tons to the car until the roadbed was put into better condition. In consequence, the estimate for the 66 carloads sent down to Trail has been put at 30 tons per car, or 1,980 tons.

### The Ore Shipments.

The following is a detailed list of the ore shipments for the week ending July 6th and year to date.

Week.	Year.
Le Roi.....	1,728
War Eagle.....	1,440
Iron Mask.....	1,275
Evening Star.....	30
Deer Park.....	18
Centre Star.....	510
Total tons.....	3,708

Le Roi. The repairs to the compressor in the Le Roi were completed this day last week, and Rossland's premier mine has been in full running order all week. One thousand seven hundred and twenty-eight tons, about the average weekly output of ore, was sent down to the Northport smelter. In addition to work on the several levels and on the present main shaft, where a sink' below 85 feet is maintained, the extension of the new tunnel on the Black Bear ground is being pushed along as usual.

Iron Horse.—The compressor was shut down in the early part of the week for the purpose of making repairs and to clean the boiler. The piston of the compressor is broken and a new one is being made at the shops of the British America corporation. It is thought the new piston will be finished on Monday and then operations on the Iron Horse will be resumed.

Jumbo.—The contract work on the long tunnel in the Jumbo is being steadily carried on. There is nothing special to report during the past week.

Leiter.—On the 250-foot level the ore body has been crosscut and is found to be eight feet in width. The main tunnel has been driven for a distance of over 300 feet. A contract for furnishing 1,000 cords of wood for winter consumption has been let. Captain James Morrish, the consulting engineer for the New Canadian Gold Fields of British Columbia, which owns and operates the Velevet, is here from London, and visited the property during the week.

Iron Mask.—There were no shipments of ore from the Iron Mask during the past week. Mr. James F. Herrick, the managing director of the company, was in town on Thursday last to inspect the improvements about completed. Sixty men are now employed in the mine, ore sorting has started once more, and the close of the present week will see the Iron Mask back on the shipping list, with an increased output.

Evening Star.—Sinking on the inclined shaft from the lower tunnel is in progress, and it is now down a distance of eight feet. The ore chute is now known to be wider than was at first supposed. Estimates on the Columbia & Western continues. The mine is credited with a shipment of one car of ore of 30 tons during the week. Shipments, the management says, will be kept up.

War Eagle.—Mr. Hastings, the superintendent of the War Eagle, has been out of town all week, and there is no special news about the War Eagle as the week closes. The electrical compressor has had several runs during the week, but is not yet working continuously. The output for the week was 1,440 tons.

Centre Star.—The foundations for the new compressor plant for the Centre Star, adjoining the present hoist, are being pushed along, and a good force of men are employed in construction work. Five hundred and ten tons were shipped to the Trail smelter during the week.

### One-See and Wright—Messrs. E. Wright and Samuel Simpson returned yesterday from a trip to Murphy creek, where they have been developing the One-See, owned by the latter. The work done consists of a shaft sunk to a depth of 20 feet. At that depth a promising and extensive ledge was encountered. The ore from this ledge runs as high as \$300 from ore which came from near the surface. The owner has been offered a large sum for the property, but refused to accept it. Mr. Wright owns the Wright mineral claim, which adjoins the One-See on the south side. On this the One-See on the south returned an assay of \$17.80 in gold. Messrs. Wright and Simpson will leave tomorrow for the purpose of resuming work on the Wright claim.

### Several Strikes of Minor Importance During the Week.

Southern Belle and Snowshoe.—Crosscutting for the Snowshoe ledge is still in progress on the Southern Belle. Deer Park.—Drifting has been in progress all week on the 300-foot level of the Deer Park. Lily May.—The ore body found last week in the Lily May continues to improve. The ore runs about \$7 to the ton. The management look for a decided improvement shortly. Drifting on the 250-foot level continues.

Sunset No. 2.—Shaft No. 3 is down for a distance of 85 feet, and shaft No. 1 is reaching the 500-foot level. The outlook in both shafts is of an encouraging nature. There are 26 men at work.

White Bear.—Sinking the main shaft is in progress, and it is now down to a depth of 265 feet. This shaft will be continued to the 350-foot level before another crosscut will be made.

Leiter.—In the tunnel at a distance of something over 200 feet vein No. 3 has been met. It had not yet been crosscut when the latest news was received from Sophie mountain.

Josie.—The station at the 400-foot level of the Josie is nearly completed and sinking will be shortly resumed. When the 500-foot level is reached drifting will be commenced.

Coxey.—The management of the Coxey have not selected a point to commence further development. Work on Surface work has been in progress all week.

St. Elmo.—Work continues on the drift tunnel. An office building is being constructed. There is no news of the compressor which was ordered some time since.

Great Western.—The buildings for the new plant on the Great Western are in the course of erection, and the boilers will be put in place the coming week.

Douglas.—Development on the Douglas is being steadily pushed on. Drifting is in progress along the 30-foot lead, and the showing is encouraging.

Green Mountain.—The shaft is down for a distance of 170 feet and there is a nice looking vein of quartz in its bottom.

Nickel Plate.—Sinking is being continued from the 200 to the 300-foot level on the new main shaft of the Nickel Plate.

Gertrude.—Crosscutting north and south at the 200-foot level on the Gertrude has been kept up all week.

Mabel.—The drift is being continued to crosscut the ledge on the Mabel.

I. X. L.—Work has been continued all week on the I. X. L. with good results.

### MINING NOTES.

Mr. A. Klockman of the International has returned from a two weeks' trip in the Similkameen country, and is greatly pleased with it. While he was there he visited Boulder creek, Copper mountain, and other camps in that section. It is his opinion that it will prove with more development considerable of a mining country. It is an easy place to get around in. One can take a horse, and wherever camp is made there is plenty of bunch grass.

Mr. L. Henry Moffatt, secretary of the Rathminn Mining company, reports that the machinery recently ordered is about installed, and in a few days will be started in operation. Then the development of the property will be proceeded with on a much more rapid scale than hitherto.

Stephen Brailo leaves this morning for the Norway Mountain section for the purpose of continuing the development operations on the Bonanza group.

### A New Exchange.

A meeting of the city brokers was held at the office of John McKane, Columbia avenue, Tuesday afternoon, when the following brokers agreed to form an association to be known as the Rossland Mining and Stock Board, and to be organized forthwith for the purpose of dealing and trading in mining stocks: Parker, Johnson & Co., G. W. Richardson, Ross Thompson, J. F. Thompson, McCre, Lorne Hecher, Claude A. Cregan, John McKane, W. H. Finlayson, George Purgold, H. W. C. Jackson, S. Thornton Langley, John Bouthle and Thomas Anderson. A committee has been appointed to arrange for quotations and other details. Mr. McKane's office will be used by the board for temporary quarters.

### Mr. Crooke Returns.

Mr. Milward Crooke, who so miraculously escaped in the War Eagle shaft accident last May, returned to Rossland on Sunday after a month's visit to Vancouver and Victoria. Mr. Crooke is looking all right again, but complains of feeling rather stiff. While at the coast he consulted a leading physician who advised him that in a short time all the effects of the accident would wear off and that he would be none the worse for his recent experience. Mr. Crooke has been amusing himself playing cricket and taking in the sights of the coast cities. He will return to active duty in the mines shortly, but it will be some time yet before he will be able to resume heavy work.

### A Hospitable People.

Mr. O. D. Fisher returned Monday from a visit to the Boundary Creek country, where he was in attendance on the races. He reports that the people of that section extended the glad hand of welcome to visitors from here, and the result was a most pleasant one. Rossland's latching should always be on the outside for the good people of the Boundary Creek country. They have, he says, a splendid country, and one that is destined to be a large producer of precious metals.

### MINES AND MINING FIND OF SYLVANITE

#### First Annual General Meeting of the Okanogan Free Gold Mines.

### THE OFFICERS ARE THANKED IT GIVES GOOD RETURNS

Work on the Deer Park Suspended on Orders Received Yesterday From Toronto—Cumberland Gold Mining Company's Property to be Crown Granted.

Mr. A. Lorne Becher, general manager of the Deer Park, Tuesday received a telegram from the officers of the company in Toronto directing that operations cease. In accordance with the orders he let all the staff at the property go, with the exception of three men, who will be kept at work until he receives fuller instructions. Operations on the Deer Park were recommenced on the last occasion on May 9th, and since then about \$2,500 has been expended in the claim which Mr. Elgie is operating there would soon be a rush to stake claims. Sylvanite is an ore of tellurium. Its crystallization is monochic, rarely occurring in distinct crystals, but in an aggregate resembling writing characters. Its composition is as follows: Tellurium, 55.3 per cent; gold, 25.3; silver, 15.7.

### OKANOGAN FREE GOLD MEETING.

The first annual general meeting of the Okanogan Free Gold Mines, limited, was held at the company's office, Imperial block, Rossland, B. C., at 4 p. m., July 11, 1899. The following shareholders were present, representing in person and by proxies, 1,126,880 shares:

Hon. T. Mayne Daly, G. M. King, K. K. Peiser, C. S. Wallis, M. W. Simpson, Phil. A. Silverstone, F. Schofield, J. M. Rolls, S. Thornton Langley, Edward Baillie, James Burridge, Dickinson & Orde, C. Dufferinfield and T. R. Morrow.

Hon. T. Mayne Daly, president of the company, occupied the chair. Mr. K. K. Peiser, secretary of the company, acted as secretary of the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the shareholders were read and adopted.

The president then read the report of the directors and the financial statement, which are published elsewhere in this issue of the Miner. The report was unanimously adopted by motion of Mr. G. M. King, seconded by Mr. Burridge.

On motion the number of directors was increased to seven.

The following gentlemen were unanimously elected directors: Hon. T. Mayne Daly, Ross Thompson, G. M. King, K. K. Peiser, S. Thornton Langley and J. Fred Ritchie, all of this city, and Dr. E. T. Richter of Spokane, Wash.

A vote of thanks to the directors and officers of the company for the satisfactory way in which they had managed and conducted its affairs, was moved by Mr. F. Schofield, deputy registrar of the supreme court, seconded by Mr. James Burridge, manager and director of the Greenacre Manufacturing company of Winnipeg. In making the motion Mr. Schofield made some very flattering remarks, and expressed his great satisfaction with the report and financial statement read to the meeting, and expressed his entire confidence in the management. Mr. Burridge very eloquently expressed that he was more than pleased with the financial statement, which, he said, he had examined critically. If had not been his fortune to read a better statement of a company's affairs in his large connection with company matters in the east, and he was satisfied that everything had been conducted in an honest and straightforward manner. Mr. Burridge concluded his remarks by saying that when he returned to the east it would be a great pleasure to him to state to his friends who were shareholders in this company how well he was pleased with the management of the company's affairs, and that he would advise them to purchase more of the company's stock.

In addition to the complimentary vote of thanks passed to the directors and officers of the company, it was unanimously resolved by the shareholders present that a special vote of thanks be and is hereby accorded to Mr. S. Thornton Langley, the official broker of the company, in recognition of his financial ability on behalf of the company.

Mr. Edward Baillie, Rossland's well-known and highly respected auditor, said that it had given him entire satisfaction to examine and audit the company's accounts; that the superintendent was to be congratulated on the manner in which he made up his accounts and managed his vouchers; that he had no hesitation in saying that in his large experience in auditing the affairs of mining companies he had not found anything more satisfactory or pleasurable than in making his report of this company's affairs.

Mr. C. S. Wallis, Mr. Wm. Rolls, Mr. M. W. Simpson, Mr. T. R. Morrow and Mr. Silverstone and other shareholders expressed themselves in equally flattering terms.

### To be Crown Granted.

Messrs. J. H. McDonald and F. A. Wilkin, P. L. S., left on Monday's train for Ymir, where they go to survey, previous to crown granting the claims of the company, known as the Cumberland and Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability. The property consists of five full claims, located on Wild Horse creek, and about one mile north of the Elsie mine. This property shows well defined quartz leads, in which good values have been obtained. It is the intention of the company to carry on steady development work under the maining part of the summer under the supervision of J. H. McDonald, who is one of the large stockholders in the company.

### LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church will hold a meeting at the church this Thursday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. A full attendance is earnestly requested.

Mr. Thomas G. Blackstock of Toronto, vice-president of the War Eagle Consolidated, arrived over the Columbia & Western last evening and is staying at the War Eagle apartments.

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### Discovery Near Christina Lake That Promises to be Important.

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### A Mineral Exhibit.

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It Will Pass Into This City in the Next 10 Days. Messrs. Davey and Donald, who have the contract for the construction of the telephone line for the Columbia Telephone & Telegraph company, are making rapid progress with the work. A force is busy extending the line from the international boundary line to Rossland, and this will be completed in ten days. The line will be running within a short distance of the camp.

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The Opulense is a native copper proposition, and was some time ago bonded for a high figure, but the parties, after doing some work, allowed the bond to lapse. The ore is immensely rich in copper, and the reason of the bond being thrown up is a mystery.

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### THE STOCK MARKET

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Gopher Has Advanced a Few Points—Operations on the Lardeau-Goldsmith are to be Resumed—Another Stock Exchange is Being Organized.

The market has not been very lively during the week which ended last evening, but a good many played the old favorites, such as Winnipeg, Homestake, Okanogan, Iron Mask, Canadian Gold Fields and Van And.

The Rossland Mining and Stock Board is in process of organization. It will start off as soon as it is ready for business with a membership of 15. It is made up of some enterprising brokers and should increase the stock business of this city.

One of the chief movers of the week was Okanogan Free Gold. It moved considerably during the early part of the week and yesterday there was a flurry in it and it advanced a couple of points and sold on the board for 12 1/2 cents. There were, however, sales made on the board for as high as 13 cents and the brokers of the company were offered as high as 14 cents, but refused to sell for less than 25 cents, which is the price fixed by the company at a recent meeting. The cause for the increased demand were the excellent reports of the officers, submitted to the annual meeting on Tuesday, which were published in yesterday's issue of this paper. In addition to this the reports of Superintendent Edgecombe show that the property is in good condition and that the new 10-stamp mill will soon be in operation.

The intention of the management of the Lardeau-Goldsmith Mines is to resume work on its properties. Yesterday 20,000 shares of its stock were subscribed for at 5 cents per share.

An option has been made on all the remaining treasury shares of the Fairmont company by an English syndicate. The price is arranged on a sliding scale, runs from 10 to 30 cents. The first block offered for sale being at 10 cents and the next block higher till 30 cents is reached.

Winnipeg continues to be a favorite and has been fairly steady at from 32 to 33 cents per share. The development of the Winnipeg property is proceeding with and it is expected to be among the first in the creek country to pay dividends as the railroad is ready to convey ore from that section to the smelters.

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Sophie mountain continues to keep up its reputation and another strike has been made there. This time it is in the Leiter. Mr. Allan G. White, superintendent of that property, reported yesterday that lead No. 3 had been encountered in the long tunnel on the Leiter.

Work on the Silver Queen.

A private telegram was received in this city Thursday, which stated that at a meeting of the directors of the Canadian Gold Fields syndicate, held yesterday in Montreal, the Lake Shore group of mines at Moyie had been taken over by the company.

At Work on the Silver Queen.

Mr. A. H. Gracey, director and superintendent of the properties of the Silver Queen Mining company, was in the city Thursday and left on the afternoon train for Cariboo creek.

A New Placer Field.

Fred Williamson in a letter to George Doyle gives a description of a new placer district which has been discovered about nine miles from the headwaters of the Kettle river, says the Nelson Tribune.

The Output at Ymir.

The following gives the latest returns from the Ymir mine: "During the entire month of May 40 stamps, running 17 days, crushed 1,450 tons, yielding 600 ounces. The estimated value is \$8,300. Gross estimated value of concentrates, \$3,000.

This return shows a value in gold of \$7.50 per ton of rock crushed and a gross amount of \$264 worth of gold reclaimed per day. Since the above cable the mill has been running steadily throughout the month of June, during which about 3,000 tons of ore has been crushed.

Good Returns on Ore.

The Sunshine Limited, the owner of the Silver Cup, Sunshine and adjoining properties in the Trout Lake mining district, has just received from the Trail smelter the sum of \$16,948.34 (after deduction of freight, treatment and duty charges) in respect of a shipment of 100 tons of Silver Cup and Sunshine ore.

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WORK ON THE LONG TUNNEL.

Rich Ore Bodies Are to Be Tapped at Ainsworth.

The old silver-lead camp of Ainsworth, on Kootenay lake, is again attracting the attention of the mining world, and the present season bids fair to be one of the most prosperous in its history.

Another gang of men are at work on the extension of the wagon road, which is finished as far as Cedar creek. The wagon road will be extended to the south fork of Woodbury creek, thence up the properties owned by Colonel I. N. Peyton.

Free Miners' Licenses.

In a recent letter Mr. J. Fred Hume, minister of mines, gives the following views concerning free miners' licenses. He holds that free miners' licenses, which were issued previous to May 1st, are not affected by the recent legislation.

Pay Ore Is Looking Well.

Messrs. W. Hart-McHarg and A. J. McMillan have returned from the Boundary country, where they examined the Pay Ore property, in which they are directors.

MINING NOTES.

Dr. M. F. Chestnut and Mr. A. E. Welch left for the properties of the Scottish-Canadian company Thursday, in the Duncan-Lardou country.

The office of Thomas Parker is some fine looking ore from the Queen Victoria group, the properties of that company, which are located on Murphy creek at a point nine miles north of this city.

From a gentleman who returned Monday from the Boundary Creek country, it was learned that an important strike has been made on the Diamond Hitch, owned by the Diamond Hitch & Mammoth Mining company.

The properties of McKenzie & Mann, in the Greenwood camp, have been incorporated in one large company, with a capital stock of \$5,000,000.

The incorporation is announced of the East Kootenay Copper Mining company, limited, with a capital of \$250,000 divided into 1,000,000 shares of 25 cents each.

It is understood that Patsy Clark, formerly owner of the War Eagle mine, Rossland, expects to handle several of the promising Windermere propositions during the present season.

C. P. R. Station Agency.

It is probable that there will be some changes in the Columbia & Western railway station management in this city.

Mr. P. G. Denison, the agent in charge, has applied for leave of absence and at present Mr. Schofield, the eldest son of the supreme court registrar, is acting as agent.

MINES AND MINING

A Likely Ledge Found in the Green Mountain Shaft.

THE JEWEL IS ALL RIGHT

The Iron Mask's New Bin is Completed and the Work of Filling it with Ore for Shipment Has Commenced—Work on the Evening Star.

The Green Mountain property is looking most satisfactory. The shaft is now down to a depth of 170 feet. It is now passing through a nice ledge of quartz, which is widening as depth is attained.

JEWEL MINE.

A Boundary Creek Property of Great Promise.

From a gentleman who arrived from the Boundary country the following particulars concerning the Jewel mine are given:

The Jewel mine is situated in Long Lake camp, near Greenwood. The ore of this camp are unlike the quartz found in that district, being gold quartz as opposed to copper ore.

The ore is suitable for direct cyanide treatment and the working costs are placed at \$5 per ton for extraction and reduction.

The ore from the 120-foot level upward runs about \$8 or \$10 per ton and at 234 feet the vein is strong and well defined and averages about six feet in width between good walls.

A considerable portion of this chute gave high values by bucket samples, namely, from \$30 to \$50 per ton, but the all-round average quoted, namely, \$15 to \$20 is considered highly satisfactory.

The Enterprise and Anchor company own the extension and there is every reason to predict that that company has a prosperous future before it, as the ledge is strong and well shown up in their ground.

The work done on the Jewel comprises over 1,000 feet of shafts, drifts, upraises, etc., and it is estimated that there are about 11,000 tons of ore in sight, averaging \$15 to \$14 per ton, but the main feature of the property is the strength of the ledge and the marked improvement in strength and value as depth is attained.

The Iron Mask.

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Work on the Evening Star is making excellent progress. The hauling of ore to the Columbia & Western station has been resumed and the management expects to keep up shipments continuously at the rate of a couple of carloads a week.

The Cleanups Are Satisfactory.

Mr. S. L. Long, superintendent of the Porto Rico mine and mill, was in the city on Tuesday. Mr. Long reports that the mine and mill are in full operation and that the cleanups are of a satisfactory nature.

Referendum Force Increased. Mr. A. Zettler, superintendent of the Referendum Mining company, which is operating properties on the north fork of the Salmon river, was in the city Friday and took away with him eight additional men.

The Ore Assayed \$40.

Mr. A. B. Irwin of this city, received some samples of ore recently from the Mayflower property, which he and his associates are developing on the reservation, a short distance from Republic. The ore came from the bottom of a shaft that is 40 feet in depth and it went \$40 to the ton.

Merchants' Bank of Halifax.

The Merchants' Bank of Halifax have taken another step in their progressive march of the past year or two. The local manager, Mr. John M. Smith, has received notice from headquarters that a separate agency of their own had been established at 16 Exchange Place, New York City.

The Fruit Pepsin Cure for Dyspepsia. Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets, 10 cents and 35 cents. They are as pleasant as the fruit itself.

CHAPTER XIV.

1. Dyspepsia dulls the sparkle of the eye and depresses the heart and mind. 2. Dyspepsia weakens the blood and bleaches the red out of the lips and cheeks. 3. Dyspepsia saps the strength out of the sinews, muscles and nerves.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Diamond mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of Kootenay district.

Where located: On Monte Cristo mountain, lying between the Monte Cristo, Evening Star and C. & C. mineral claims.

Take notice that I, C. H. Ellacott acting as agent for J. C. Drumheller, Esq., of the city of Spokane, State of Washington, Free Miner's Certificate No. 34074 A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 23rd day of May, 1899. G. H. ELLACOTT, P.L.S. 6-1-101

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Philadelphia, Roman Eagle, Seagull, Carpenter, Vancouver and London Belle mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district.

Take notice that I, M. A. Green, acting as agent for the English-Canadian company, limited, free miner's certificate No. B13,347, 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 claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 12th day of July, 1899.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. J. and J. First Clip, Sydney, Early Morn, Mayflower, Fraktion, Mountain Lion, Mountain Lion Fracton and Home-stake Fracton mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay. Where located: About two miles south of Rossland on the west slope of Lake mountain.

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Certificate of Improvements.

Notice. Iron Clad, Spokane, Nellie Gray, Delta and Pittsburg mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About three miles up Sullivan creek.

Take notice that I, Wm. E. Devereux, acting as agent for T. A. Cameron, free miner's certificate No. 33788, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 3rd day of July, 1899. WM. E. DEVEREUX, P. L. S.

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WHERE RAIL

C. P. R. AND PUSHING ON

A Large Number and the Work res—A Growth

Mr. W. Blewett, of S. A. Hartman, a visit to Duncan in the Ainsworth, has a branch store work is being put companies, which this country. The way company has, on its line between can pass; which half of Duncan C. being made with a company, the Kas really the Great building from Arg 300 men at work prospectors are s and the country a one. It is one, be long in furnishing as soon as they a Mr. Blewett say growing rapidly a now is about 500, four general merch shops, two barbe other stores, there smaller have a conduct hotels at three small steam lake, carrying sup have locations ar

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WHERE RAILWAYS ARE RIVALS

C. P. R. AND GREAT NORTHERN PUSHING ON TO DUNCAN CITY. A Large Number of Men Are Employed, and the Work is Making Good Progress—A Growing City.

Mr. W. Blewett, an employe of the firm of S. A. Hartman, has just returned from a visit to Duncan City on Howser lake, in the Ainsworth division. Mr. Hartman has a branch store there. He reports that work is being pushed by the railroad companies, which are building lines into this country. The Canadian Pacific Railway company has about 350 men at work on its line between Lardo City and Duncan pass; which is within a mile and a half of Duncan City. Good progress is being made with the grading. The other company, the Kaslo & Slokan, which is really the Great Northern railway, is building from Argenta to Duncan and has 300 men at work. In addition to this prospectors are swarming into the hills and the country appears to be a very rich one. It is one, he says, that will not be long in furnishing tonnage to the railways as soon as they are ready for business.

Mr. Blewett says that the population now is about 500. There are six hotels, four general merchandise stores, two bake shops, two barber shops and numerous other stores there. Already 15 licensed victuallers have applied for licenses to conduct hotels and saloons. There are three small steamers plying on the Howser lake, carrying supplies to the miners, who have locations around the lake. In speaking about the route into this country he says that steamers leave Nelson on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays for Lardo City and Argenta. Duncan is 12 miles from Duncan City and 14 miles from Argenta. There is no wagon road and the only way to Duncan City is over trails, either on foot or on horseback. Freight is taken in small boats up the stream that connects Kootenay lake with Howser lake. Large steamers were tried on this stream, but the bends are too sharp and the current too swift for them, and the experiments were not successful. Small boats can make the journey. These little craft accomplish the up trip in from a day to a day and a half and carry from a ton to a ton and a half. Even these men with disaster. One a few days since was overturned and its cargo of whisky went to the bottom of the stream. Some people have their goods packed over the trail as they prefer to taking chances in the water. Mr. Blewett thinks that this section around Duncan City will prove in a short time to be both rich and important.

COMPANIES INCORPORATED.

Notices of Foreign Companies and Their Capitalization—Some in Trail Creek. Victoria, B. C., July 6.—This week's Official Gazette gives notice of the incorporation of foreign companies: United Canadian Limited, Vancouver, capital \$5,000, to take over the steamer Laving; Big Four Consolidated Mining company, capital \$250,000, to purchase the Big Four group in Trail Creek division; Detroit & Lardau Gold Mining company, Rossland, capital, \$150,000; Referendum Free Gold Mining & Milling company, Rossland, capital, \$500,000, to purchase Referendum and other claims on Forty-Nine creek, near Nelson; East Kootenay Copper Mining company, Windermere, capital \$250,000; Santa Rosa Gold and Copper Mines, Rossland, capital, \$1,500,000; Indiana Consolidated Silver Mining company, White-water, capital \$100,000.

Officers Installation.

Installation of the officers of the I. O. O. F. was held on Monday evening, when the following officers were installed by District Deputy Grand Master John Edgren: P. E. French, noble grand; L. B. Kinty, vice grand; Thomas Embleton, secretary; A. M. Henderson, treasurer; Alex. Fraser, warden; A. Bremner, conductor; John Cummings, inside guardian; Joseph Craig, right supporter noble grand; Arthur Pendarf, left supporter noble grand; Gus Lester, right supporter vice grand.

Street Sprinkler Arrives.

The street sprinkler ordered by the city council at Portland, Ore., has come to hand, and as soon as there is a need for its services to lay the dust it will be put into use. It is rather a heavy vehicle and will take a good-sized team to haul it around.

Wedding Bells.

Mr. Herbert Wiley and Miss Alice Lincoln Van Schaick were married on Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Beardsley on Second avenue. Both are well known and popular residents of this city.

Public Installation at Trail.

The public installation ceremonies of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of Trail No. 9 of Trail, on Wednesday evening, was highly commended upon by the large number of ladies and gentlemen who were fortunate enough to receive invitations to witness the carrying out of that ceremony which was gone through to the delight of all present. Speeches were in order. After that refreshments were served. Dancing concluded the joyous occasion. The installation was performed by P. D. D. G. M. D. Goldberg. The officers elected to fill their respective positions for the ensuing term were: P. M. W., Sam Siddell; W. D. B. Stevens; foreman, J. D. Mc Dougall; overseer, D. M. Shea; financier, D. Goldberg; receiver, L. Suiter; guide, M. Wilmes; recorder, Frank Taley. The committee of arrangements deserve credit for the way they carried out the program.

A Lot of Sheep Poisoned.

Mr. W. H. Goodeve of the firm of Goodeve Brothers, has returned from a visit to the Boundary country. While Bossburg he learned that 220 sheep were landed there a few days since by P. Burns & Co. They were turned out to feed preparatory to being driven across the reservation and into the Boundary Creek country. They ate greedily of wild parsnips, as they were hungry after a long ride in the cars. The result was that 120 of the lot died.

HORSE STEALING.

Mike Cooper States His Experience With the Indians Over the Line.

Michael Cooper, a well known miner, who has worked at the War Eagle, Centre Star and other Rossland mines for the past four years, but who is at present doing some work on his own properties just over the line near Northport, has had some interesting experience with the Indians on the reservation and the police authorities at Northport. Cooper says that horse stealing from the Northern country has become a thriving business of late, and he thinks the Indians know a good deal about it. Horses are taken from this district and the Boundary country, driven over the line, and after a time are branded by the "finders" and then sold as the "finders'" personal property. During last fall and this spring Cooper says he knows that over 100 horses have disappeared in this manner.

His own horse disappeared in May last and was discovered in the possession of an Indian, who reluctantly admitted that he found the animal, and only gave it up on payment of \$10 for "bed and board." On Tuesday of this week Cooper had the captured steed duly stabled at Northport during his visit there for his camp for supplies. He says that about 2 o'clock in the morning the Indian already mentioned made his appearance, and with the aid of the police authorities, secured the horse a second time without any notice to his lawful owner, the stableman being forced to give up the horse to the Indian, as he was accompanied by a marshal backed up by papers. In the morning the services of an attorney were secured, and the Northport justice of the peace, and two constables were all brought up with a round turn, the Indian in the meantime having conveniently disappeared. The horse was returned to its lawful owner, who in this instance is only out his attorney's fees.

Cooper seemed to think there was something very peculiar about the action of the authorities in question, and hinted darkly of an understanding all round. When next he visits Northport, Cooper says he will stay with his horse while in the town limits.

Band Concerts.

The summer has apparently arrived to stay. Yesterday was really the first hot day in Rossland this season. After a hot day's work a stroll on Columbia avenue in the cool of the evening is just what the general public wants. It would add a great deal of pleasure to the situation if the City band could be induced to favor the strollers with an open-air concert at least twice a week. Band Master Falding very naturally desires to have his musicians trained up to concert pitch before he enters upon a regular series of open-air entertainments, but after hearing the band's first performance Rosslanders will be only too pleased if Mr. Falding will give them the best he can under the circumstances. If the band requires uniforms, more sheet music, or additional funds, now's the time to make the request. Public opinion will support an additional grant from the council if it is needed, and it would not be difficult to obtain a substantial sum by subscription if citizens were assured of a concert twice a week, say on Wednesday and Saturday evenings.

Street Improvements.

The city has fenced up the way into the bluff cut, on West Columbia avenue, and has a force of men who are engaged in putting it in condition to be traveled over. The overhanging rocks, which it is feared might fall down, are being removed. In addition to this, the roadway is being put in condition. These are improvements that will be appreciated by the public. Columbia avenue, west of Monte Cristo street, is being improved. A force of shovelers is at work, and the grade in that vicinity is to be improved as far east as Butte street.

Two-story Building on the South-east corner of Washington street and First avenue, has been raised to grade; the improvement of First avenue, between Washington and Monte Cristo streets, is commencing to assume form and proportion.

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During my long years of agony, doctors in St. Jerome and St. Lin prescribed for me and attended me, and for a time I was in the Montreal hospital, but all the best medical aid failed to meet my case. I had also used a great many patent medicines, but they failed to give you results they promised.

A friend who had successfully used your Paine's Celery Compound advised me to give it a trial, and I now thank Heaven for my deliverance from a slow death. After using six bottles of your wonderful medicine I am perfectly cured, feel younger, stronger and more active; I can sleep, eat and do all my work now with pleasure. Paine's Celery Compound certainly saved my life.

Yours sincerely, JOHN DUNBAR, New Glasgow, P. Q.

LICENSE AUTHORISING AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY TO CARRY ON BUSINESS.

"Companies Act, 1897." Canada: Province of British Columbia. No. 152.

This is to certify that "The Empire Mines of British Columbia, Limited," is authorized and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all any of the objects hereinafter set forth to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the company is situate in England. The amount of the capital of the company is £20,000, divided into 30,000 shares of £1 each.

The head office of the company in this province is situate in Rossland, and William Hart McFarlane, solicitor, whose address in Rossland aforesaid, is the attorney for the company.

The objects for which the company has been established are:

- (a) To adopt and carry into effect, with such, if any, alterations or modifications as may be agreed upon, the agreement mentioned in clause 3 of the company's articles of association. (b) To prospect and explore in British Columbia or elsewhere, for the purpose of obtaining information with respect to metalliferous lands, mines, mining rights, minerals and water rights. (c) To purchase, take on lease or otherwise acquire any metalliferous lands, mines, mining rights and water rights in British Columbia or elsewhere, any interest therein, and to work, explore, develop and turn to account the same. (d) To crush, win, get, quarry, smelt, calcine, refine, dress, amalgamate and prepare for market, export, sell, exchange and deal in ore, metal, and mineral substances of all kinds, and to carry on any other metallurgical operations which may seem conducive to any of the company's objects. (e) To buy, sell, manufacture and deal with ores, minerals, plant, machinery, implements, conveniences, provisions and things capable of being used in connection with metallurgical operations, or required by workmen and others employed by the company. (f) Generally to work, develop and turn to account, any mines, mining rights or lands or property belonging to or leased to the company, or in or over which the company may be entitled to any rights or interests, in such manner as the company may think fit. (g) To carry on the business of dealers in ores, minerals and precious metals, machine makers, builders, merchants, importers and exporters, printers, publishers, bankers, shipowners, carriers of passengers or goods, by land or by water, brokers, and any other business which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to develop the company's property. (h) To promote, make, provide, purchase or otherwise acquire, take on lease or agreement, lease, let, grant, running or powers over, work, use, sell and dispose of railways, tramways, and other roads, ways and means of access to any part or parts of the property of the company, in British Columbia or elsewhere, and to contribute to the expense of promoting, making, providing, acquiring, working and using the same. (i) To purchase, take on lease, or in exchange, or otherwise acquire, sell, lease or dispose of any real or personal property in British Columbia or elsewhere, and any rights or privileges which the company may think necessary or convenient with reference to any of these objects, and capable of being profitably dealt with in connection with any of the company's property or rights for the time being. (j) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property, rights and liabilities of any person or persons, partnership, association or corporation carrying on any business which this company is authorized to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of the company. (k) To construct, erect, maintain and improve any buildings, works, mills, machinery or premises upon or in connection with any of the company's property. (l) To pay for any property acquired or agreed to be acquired by the company, by the issue of shares of the company, or credited as fully or partly paid up, or of debenture stock or other securities of this company. (m) To promote, organize and register, or assist in the promotion, organization, registration and objects of any company or companies, businesses or other undertakings, either in Great Britain, Ireland or abroad, having the objects wholly or in part similar to those of this company, or in which this company is interested, or for any other purpose, with power generally to assist such companies, businesses or undertakings, and in particular by paying or contributing towards the preliminary expenses thereof, or providing the whole or part of the capital thereof, or by taking shares therein, or by lending money thereon, upon debentures or otherwise. (n) To subscribe for, take, acquire, hold, sell and give guarantees by way of underwriting or otherwise in relation to the stock, shares, debentures, carrying on or intending to be carried on any business which this company is authorized to carry on, or any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this company, or of any other person, partnership, association or corporation, or to take or otherwise acquire and hold shares or stocks in, or securities of, and to subsidize or otherwise assist any such company, and to sell, hold, re-issue, with or without guarantee, or deal with such shares of securities. (o) To do all acts and things which may be necessary for or desirable in connection with procuring the company a legal recognition, domicile, and status in British Columbia, or in any country, state or territory in which any of its property, estate, effects, or rights may be situated, or in which the company may desire to carry on business, and to appoint attorneys, local boards and agencies (with such powers as the directors of the company

may determine) to represent the company in any such country, state, or territory.

(q) To enter into any arrangements with any governments and authorities that may seem conducive to the company's interests, and to obtain from such governments and authorities, or take over from other persons or companies possessing the same, any rights, privileges, and concessions which the company may think it desirable to obtain, and to carry out and utilize the same, and to obtain or assist in obtaining any acts of parliament or session or resolutions, or orders of any such governments and authorities which the company may deem proper.

(r) To invest and deal with the moneys of the company not immediately required, upon such securities and in such manner as may from time to time be determined, and to raise or borrow and secure the repayment of money in such manner and on such terms as may seem expedient, and in particular by the issue of debentures, charged upon the whole or any part of the undertaking, property, and assets of the company, both present and future, including its uncalled capital.

(s) To make, draw, accept, indorse, execute, and negotiate bills of exchange, promissory notes, and other negotiable instruments.

(t) To pay all expenses of and incident to the formation and establishment of the company, and to remunerate any person or persons for services rendered, or to be rendered, in introducing any property or business to the company, or in placing, or assisting to place, or guaranteeing the placing of any shares, debentures, or other securities of the company, including any brokers' commissions, fees, and charges in connection therewith.

(u) To sell, lease, exchange, surrender, or otherwise deal with the undertaking and property and rights of the company, or any part thereof, for such consideration as the company may think fit, and in particular for any shares, debentures, or securities of any other company, and to divide such part or parts as may be determined by the company of the purchase moneys, whether in cash, shares, or other equivalent, which may at any time be received by the company on a sale or other dealing with the whole or part of the property, estate, effects, and rights of the company amongst the members of the company, by way of dividend or bonus, in proportion to their shares, or to the amount paid up on their shares, or otherwise to deal with the same, as the company may determine.

(v) To distribute any of the assets of the company among the members of specie, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made without the sanction of the court where necessary.

(w) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, or any of them.

(x) To do all or any of the above things, either as principals, agents, contractors, trustees, or otherwise and either alone or in conjunction with others, and either by or through agents, sub-contractors, trustees or otherwise.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

S. Y. WOOTON, Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Runover Mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Deer Park mountain, east of and adjoining the mineral claim Mayflower No. 2.

I, H. B. SMITH, acting as agent for J. B. Reynolds, free miner's certificate No. 12983A, William Collins, free miner's certificate No. 32481 and George G. Reynolds, free miner's certificate No. 12984A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 6th day of May, 1899. H. B. SMITH.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Skylark and Blackberg mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of Kootenay district. Where located: Adjoining the Eric mineral claim (lot 1277, group 1).

I, J. A. KIRK, acting as agent for F. R. Bloodberger, free miner's certificate No. 34240A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 22nd day of May, 1899. J. A. KIRK.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENT.

Notice. Red Bluff mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About one-third of a mile east of the hotel at Sayward.

I, F. A. WILKIN, acting as agent for James Scott, free miner's certificate No. 35993A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 7th day of June, 1899. F. A. WILKIN.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice. Lot 660, Group 1, Ore-or-no-go Mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: In the City of Rossland, between Centre Star and Nickel Plate mineral claims.

I, Robert E. Palmer, agent for East Le Roi Mining Company, Limited, free miner's certificate No. 1245A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 18th day of May, 1899. R. E. PALMER.

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CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Saratoga, Golden Plate, Waters Meet mineral claims, situate in Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Champion creek, six miles from the Columbia river. Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for the Golden Plate Consolidated Mining Company, Limited, free miner's certificate No. 15,174A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 28th day of June, 1899. F. A. WILKIN.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Lot 660, Group 1, Ore-or-no-go Mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: In the City of Rossland, between Centre Star and Nickel Plate mineral claims. Take notice that I, Robert E. Palmer, agent for East Le Roi Mining Company, Limited, free miner's certificate No. 1245A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 18th day of May, 1899. R. E. PALMER.

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THE LESSON OF THE SQUABBLE.

The political embroglio now in progress at Victoria has been expected for some considerable time by those who have given careful attention to provincial affairs and study to the personnel of the present cabinet. The only surprise to the observant onlooker is that the clash did not come sooner. It was evident from the first that no alliance between Mr. Martin and Mr. Cotton could be of long continuance and that any serious conflict between them must mean the disruption of the government. These two gentlemen have nothing in common except the all absorbing desire, which each possesses, to be a one man power. Both of them are regarded as being swayed entirely by considerations of personal interest and personal ambition and so general is this feeling among the people that neither of them is trusted to introduce or advocate legislation, however good, which might adversely affect their positions. Both are afraid and jealous of each other and both are clinging to office regardless of that dignity which should characterize public men.

Mr. Cotton would seem at the present time to have the advantage of Mr. Martin. If he succeeded in ejecting the attorney-general and Mr. Hume he would doubtless be able, owing to his influence over Premier Semlin to fill the positions, thus rendered vacant, by men more akin to himself in politics and more pliable than are his present colleagues. It has been stated that he desires Sir Hibbert Tupper in Mr. Martin's place, but this is very improbable. Sir Hibbert Tupper would not be likely to abandon Dominion politics in which he is a very conspicuous figure, to accept a subordinate position in a provincial ministry of which the members were certainly no more able and very much less experienced than himself. If Sir Hibbert Tupper enters the provincial arena it will be as leader, and as it is hardly likely that Mr. Cotton will brook dictation where he was accustomed to command, it is more than probable he and Sir Hibbert will be found in opposite camps.

Where Mr. Martin's hopes of triumph are centered, unless the present unpleasantness can be smoothed over, it is difficult to understand. He cannot expect such support from the House, as at present constituted, as will enable him, to form a ministry to his liking and if an appeal is made to the country it is questionable whether his personal seat is secure. With the province in the condition it is at present, with everything to gain from good government, which can only be expected from a harmonious and business like cabinet, it is a crying misfortune that our representatives should place their petty differences and personal aspirations before the common weal. In view of the state of affairs at Victoria the expense of a general election would be insignificant in comparison with the benefit obtained if it resulted in a very considerable change in the personnel of the legislature.

DISCREDITABLE JOURNALISM.

It is not very long since newspapers, which were not generally looked upon as respectable, were accustomed to distort facts for the purpose of deciding or discrediting public men to whom they might be opposed. It was regarded as rather clever journalism and the more bitter the display of partisan spirit the stronger and more effective the work of the paper was considered to be. That day, however, has gone by for ever. The reading public now discriminates between what is news, that is the exact representation of facts, and misrepresentation of news where the facts are cooked and colored to suit the needs of an individual or a clique. The newspaper editor who misrepresents facts in order to base pungent personal comments on them to the intended injury of a public man is now usually termed a journalistic assassin and while he may write very cleverly he casts more discredit on himself than on the individual whom he assails.

In a recent issue of the Toronto Telegram there occurs an instance of this species of misrepresentation of facts for the sole purpose of aiming a stab in the back at one of Rossland's most esteemed citizens, Hon. T. Mayne Daly. We refer to it simply lest readers of that journal who do not know the circumstances might be led to form an utterly wrong impression. In speaking of the Mackintosh banquet held in this city the Telegram imputes the cause of the regrettable trouble which occurred during the evening to political allusions made by Mr. Daly and says that Hon. Joseph Martin was provoked to anger by them. Nothing could be further from the truth. Mr. Daly's one political allusion, which was in the

very best of taste, was a humorous suggestion that the Liberal government had adopted the tariff policy of the Conservatives, and when Mr. Martin rose to speak he referred in the friendliest spirit to former political struggles between Mr. Daly and himself.

"The Mackintosh banquet," the Telegram says, "allowed Mr. Daly to talk politics and then when Mr. Martin attempted to talk politics in self-defence the banqueters hissed and hooted him. Whereupon the attorney-general told the banqueters that 'they were tramps in dress suits,' and took leave to withdraw."

This is not a mistake which might have occurred to a newspaper editor from reading reports in different papers. It is a clearly designed misrepresentation of the facts to obtain a thrust at Mr. Daly, who is the "bete noir" of the Telegram, while it has for some years constantly made a political hero and demigod out of Mr. Martin. Of course there is no reason why it should not regard Mr. Martin in the pure white light it does; many others besides the Telegram similarly regard him, and there is no doubt he deserves credit for political courage; but that a newspaper should resort to such questionable methods to exalt its idol and vilify the object of its scurrilous tends to place it outside the pale of respectable journalism, as journalism is now regarded by the great public.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

The conclusion at which the Imperial government has arrived in regard to the Pacific cable, is eminently satisfactory and guarantees the speedy construction of that work. In view of the final disposition of the whole matter, the hasty and emotional action of the local government in rushing forward to the assistance of the project with both hands full of money, pressing needed in many ways in this province, appears still more ridiculous than it did at first. British Columbia, no doubt, possesses more wealth than is represented by all the current coin of the Empire, but that wealth is still undeveloped, is still in the hills, and when we are constantly looking towards England for ready cash to extract that wealth from the earth, it seems laughably absurd that we should hurry to relieve her of the payment of a sum of money which just now is large to us and very small to her. The time may come, perhaps, when this country will be looked to for a genuine display of loyalty towards the Mother Country, and it is to be hoped that when that occasion does arrive, the government of the province and the people will display a readiness of which England will have no reason to complain. We shall then be in a position, too, to give assistance of a substantial character.

Every true citizen of the Empire will experience satisfaction that the British government has decided to act in accordance with her first implied intention, for had it not, the colonies would certainly have had just ground to complain that the Mother Country had receded from her undertaking, had failed to be as good as her word.

AN UNTRUTHFUL CRITIC.

The special correspondent at Rossland of the British Columbia Mining Record, takes occasion in the July issue of that paper to incorporate into his report certain statements regarding the Rossland Miner. Even if we did not know the gentleman who is responsible for these reflections we should, from their covert malignity, be forced to the conclusion that he thought he had some private injury to avenge. Knowing him, however, although he does not sign his name and that for reasons perhaps best known to himself, we recognize his criticism as the result of purely personal spleen, and as such we would not deem it worthy of notice were it not that it has received a quasi endorsement by its appearance in a respectable and responsible journal. We recognize the difficulty a paper published in Victoria has in always obtaining exactly the right man to furnish it with news from the various mining camps. It is of course impossible to sift thoroughly everything that is sent in by a correspondent; and if he is not honest he may succeed in making the paper the innocent instrument for fighting his own battles—the unconscious agent of his malevolence. This is the case in the present instance, for we acquit the Mining Record of any intention of publishing anything which it does not believe to be true.

The correspondent's attack on us for our attitude towards the C. P. E. might be dictated by quite proper motives were his sentences not so fully charged with invective against this paper and those connected with it and did he not covertly insinuate what he knows to be untrue and what he dare not express openly even if he could get any paper bold enough to publish it. He repeats the old charges, which we disposed of some months ago, that the ore shipments as given in The Miner are not correct and to clinch his statement refers to a report of ours, published over six months ago, in which, however, he has to admit that the blunder he points out was simply a typographical error. He concludes his letter, covering two and a half columns, by taking almost an entire column bodily from the paper which he traduces and which he claims he has not found "to be a reliable authority."

The duty of a newspaper in a mining camp is a plain one, and The Miner has endeavored to reach the ideal standard which every such publication ought to keep before it. The news appearing in

such a paper, should, when possible, always be obtained from first sources, and, as far as can be verified by its own writers. It is the natural guardian of the public against fraud and imposture and its duty is to tell the truth about properties in so far as it can obtain possession of the facts. A large proportion of the public who invest in mining ventures have no source of information save the newspaper, and if its intentions are not absolutely honest and its facts not thoroughly accurate, as far as it is possible to have them so, it does not fulfil the undertaking it has with the public.

The Miner has always kept this in view and while errors must now and again occur they occur very seldom and are never so gross or so serious as to affect in any particular the reliability of its news. The only charge which the most malignant and untruthful can make is that it has occasionally been astray a few tons in its computation of the shipments of ore from the mines.

THE MIX-UP AT VICTORIA.

The views expressed by Dr. Sinclair, the president of the Liberal association of Rossland, regarding the present political mix-up at Victoria, are, we believe, the views which are entertained by the great majority of the people throughout the province, whether they be Liberals or Conservatives. The position taken by Hon. Joseph Martin, in refusing to resign his office after receiving notice of dismissal from Premier Semlin, whether unconstitutional or not is at variance with all custom and is shockingly undignified. It presents a condition of affairs calculated to bring our whole local legislature into contempt and make it the laughing stock of the continent. It does not matter how Premier Semlin came to occupy the position which he does—he holds the office and as such is entrusted by the lieutenant-governor with selecting his own colleagues whom he may dismiss at will; neither does it matter what the motive may be which induces him to ask for Mr. Martin's resignation. Premier Semlin may be a tool in the hands of Mr. Cotton, and Mr. Cotton may be, and very probably is, desirous of filling the cabinet with Conservatives and men who will be controlled by himself. Granting that all these things are so Mr. Martin is not taking the right method of defeating Mr. Cotton's reprehensible schemes—indeed, he is placing himself in the hands of the finance minister, who will make the most of the power thus given him to destroy Mr. Martin politically. The present government came into power on distinctly non-political lines and if it is to keep faith with the people it will not seek to eliminate from its councils, by the methods which Mr. Martin alleges are being followed, those members who are Liberals or Dominion politics. If it does it is hardly likely that it will have the countenance of the opposition in doing so or its support after having accomplished such a design. The followers of the late government, will not then be disposed to follow Mr. Cotton's lead any more than it is now disposed to follow that of Mr. Martin, and the finance minister could scarcely hope to form a government, which would live, after having shown himself capable of treachery first to his natural allies and then to his own chosen colleagues. He would not be trusted by either party and his schemes would of necessity fail.

Had Mr. Martin pursued a dignified course, had he at once left office and placed the condition of affairs frankly before the country it seems to us he would have gained much strength. As it is, by his present conduct he offers the picture of a man clinging to office at all hazards; and it matters not what his real motives for doing so may be; the people will put the worst construction upon it and very rightly so. If, as Dr. Sinclair points out, Premier Semlin would invite Mr. Henderson of New Westminster to accept the attorney-generalship he would leave Mr. Martin without the shadow of an excuse for refusing his resignation. If, however, under Mr. Cotton's dictation he attempts to fill his cabinet with Conservatives, he will inevitably bring disaster on himself. His government will, probably, be defeated at the meeting of the next house and will, assuredly, lose the sympathy and support of the country.

GATEWAYS ON BOTH OCEANS.

The people of Eastern Canada do not seem to fully realize it, but it is nevertheless true, that Canada has two seacoasts. The one fronts upon the Pacific and the other upon the Atlantic. To be sure, there is the northern seacoast which fronts upon the Arctic, but that is not available at present, but the time is coming when it will be used, as it is in Russia. The western seacoast is superior to the one on the east, principally for the reason that its harbors are never locked by the ice in the winter, and vessels can arrive and depart from them for twelve months in the year. The Canadian harbors on the St. Lawrence are closed during a part of the winter, and there is more or less impediment to navigation on account of the ice and icebergs at some of the other harbors. This gives the Pacific harbors a superiority over some of those of Eastern Canada, which is not a small one, and is one that is destined to play no inconsiderable part in the upbuilding of this portion of the Dominion. Besides this commercial activity is expanding rapidly on the shores of the Pacific from Cape Horn to Bering sea, and from Siam to Kamohatka. The countries whose shores

are washed by its ceaseless surf have been growing in importance and are reaching in all directions after trade, and its archipelagos have felt the quickening spirit of commerce. A new era has arrived for this great ocean and for the countries contiguous to it.

The immediate future along the Pacific is full of great promise for those who have the courage and the enterprise to reach out and acquire a goodly share of this trade. Men of British blood and brawn have never lagged in the rear when there has been traffic of this sort to be adventured for. As a consequence, the Canadian ports on the west will secure a goodly share of this commerce.

The products of our forests, our fisheries, our ranges and of our farms will be exchanged for the goods of the Orient and the countries to the south of us. The products of our mines will quicken and expand, manufacturing, commercial and industrial life in the United States and laid the foundation for the great material prosperity which that country enjoyed for about four decades, and which was only temporarily interfered with by the panic of the early nineties, that affected nearly all of the civilized world.

The production of the Kootenay mines is now being supplemented by the gold from the Klondike and Alaska, and the outlook is that these together are certain to produce a like result all over this continent, and especially in British Columbia, as was the case when the golden treasure houses of California were broken open and their precious contents poured into the avenues of trade and commerce to revivify them. History on such occasions repeats itself.

Thus, it seems to us, there is certain to be a great acceleration of the wheels of commerce, enterprise and industry all over the province which will go far beyond the dreams of those who are sanguine. This seems as certain as that the day will follow the night.

In view of the almost boundless possibilities, the already immense traffic that is passing in and out of the ports on the Canadian side of the Pacific, the fact that material prosperity is growing with leaps and bounds, the possibilities that lie in the impetus that will be given to business of all kinds by the streams of precious metals which are pouring out of the mines of Kootenay and the Klondike, the fact that activity is to a certain extent being transferred from the Atlantic to the Pacific, the advantages which these splendid western harbors present in the way of a milder climate, and the great resources of this westernmost province of the Americas, it is not hard to peer into the future and see the time when our harbors will surpass those on the eastern Canadian coast in the quantity of traffic and in the number of vessels which arrive and depart from them. Then, perhaps, our brethren of the east will fully recognize the fact that the Dominion of Canada has front gateways on the Pacific as well as the Atlantic, and may be compared to a large house in a busy city that fronts on two of the principal streets.

ROSSLAND CUSTOMS RETURNS.

The revenue of the Dominion shows a large increase during the fiscal year ending June 30th, and from the statement published this issue, Rossland, it seems, has done its fair share in contributing to the coffers of the government.

The customs business at this office has increased during every year since an office was opened, but never have the figures shown such a gratifying augmentation as during the past 12 months. Exports, imports, collections—all are enormous for a city only in its infancy, and as a result greatly increased labor has been thrown upon the officers entrusted with the management of this rapidly increasing business. For the work they are called upon to do the staff is entirely too small and only by taxing their energies to the utmost limit are they able to perform it. At least two additional officers should be appointed at once to assist in the customs house, the railway stations and the express offices.

The matter of salaries, too, is an important one and the government should not fail to take it promptly into consideration. If the officers here receive no higher salaries than their confederates in the East or on the Coast, they are not fairly treated. Living here is high and wages for all classes of skilled labor are correspondingly large. The government ought not to pay its trusted employes less than laborers are paid or condemn them to live in a manner unbefitting their station.

POLITICAL MORALITY IN ONTARIO.

The arts of machine politics seems to have attained their highest perfection in the moral province of Ontario, the chosen habitation of puritan sentiment in the Dominion of Canada. The recent developments of bribery and corruption in connection with the bye-elections in the constituency of West Elgin are calculated to arouse in an impartial observer a sense akin to admiration for the ingenious manner in which ridings that might go astray are gently directed in the right path. The old coarse custom of buying votes has been improved on to such an extent that a voter now whose party leanings are not very strong, not only is able to benefit directly by the way in which he casts his ballot, but is taught that in so casting it he is performing an act for the benefit of

the country, and is entitled to experience a thrill of patriotic fervor. Stuffing ballot boxes in a systematic and up-to-date fashion; polling bogus votes and in other ways setting the constitution "right" in regard to its duty is a species of politics which has not yet reached the far west. Once, about 10 years ago, in the Northwest Territories an opportunity was given the benighted people there of learning the science of election running as it is conducted in the East. An American refugee from a county in Illinois won a contest for a friend by engaging a train of box cars and sending down the line a regiment of railway navvies, who voted at every booth on the way. While the election was never contested, the method struck the western sense as a "low down game" on the defeated man, and the practice has never been repeated. In the enlightened province of Ontario, however, these box car voters have evidently played an important part in all the ridings where contests have taken place in the past year. The Illinois refugee who so successfully managed the affair in the Territories was a novice to the Ontario operator. Mr. W. T. R. Preston, whose life work has been divided between politics and religion has shown himself an artist sans peur et sans reproche. The gaiety with which he regards the completion of any little piece of political manipulation in which work was done which in some countries would condemn not a few of the individuals concerned to the inside of a prison, is most refreshing, but the Liberal party of Ontario can scarcely afford to have a gentleman of the easy morality of Mr. Preston winning elections for it. It will find it to its advantage rather to make him immigration agent among the Finns, to whom he has taken such a fancy, and keep him there at a high salary. It would be rather hard on the Finns, but the Liberal government would be the safer for it.

SOPHIE MOUNTAIN ROAD.

Public opinion is a mighty factor, and when it gets behind a measure and is in earnest, it can accomplish almost anything that it desires. It is a great factor in the upbuilding of any community, and that commonwealth which has the strongest public opinion, which is directed along the right lines, is always the greatest. In Rossland public opinion has decided that a wagon road shall be constructed from this city to Sophie mountain, and as the opinion is in earnest and feels that this highway is a necessity, it is certain to be constructed.

A company made up of individuals who reside in Great Britain, by the expenditure of many thousands of dollars, demonstrated to the satisfaction of everybody who has taken the pains to inquire, that the Sophie mountain section is rich in minerals. Before this was fully shown they did not ask the government for anything. They went patiently on with their work, employing many men in exploiting their property, and more in purchasing and packing in supplies over roughly constructed trails. For something over two years this expenditure of funds has constantly gone on. The company has developed one property into a mine and has just started to develop another prospect, which it thinks will make another mine. It has already installed considerable machinery, and now wishes to put in a much larger plant, to employ more men than hitherto, and in short to add to the wealth of the country by developing its properties and marketing the ore which it already has uncovered. It now asks that a wagon road be built from this city so that it may carry in machinery and supplies and bring out ore over it. The request is very reasonable and is one that should be granted.

It is in the nature of a sure investment on the part of the government to provide the funds for this road as the increased taxation the royalty on the bullion and other sources of revenue caused by the marketing of the ore, etc., will soon return to the government many times the sum which this road would cost. Besides this, it will lead to the development of other properties on which in some instances considerable work has been done and in which one of a shipping variety has been found. This being the case, the government should not hesitate a moment about making an appropriation.

The outlook is that the Sophie mountain section is destined to make one of the most important camps, next to Rossland, in the Trail Creek division. No mining camp hereabouts in the same stage of development has shown any better results.

The values in the ore give good results in copper and gold and it may be that Rossland will have to look to her laurels when this young and promising camp has a few more years of development. It, however, is a suburb of Rossland, and will be made so largely by this road, and no matter how large or important it grows, it will only add to the wealth and importance of this camp. We have our banks, our merchants and our brokers established here, and for many years to come, even if the ore production there comes up to this camp, much of its business naturally will be transacted here. Therefore, any glory or good that may come to the Sophie mountain camp will bring glory and good to the Rossland camp. This being the case, the conclusion that the council of the board of trade came to last night was a good one, and one that will redound to the credit of both this city and Sophie mountain. If the wagon road is constructed it should lead in time to the building of a

railway from this city to the Sophie mountain section. If the public opinion in this city can be massed in favor of the railroad it will be built, just as the wagon road will be.

GAS FRANCHISE.

If the gentlemen who are looking after the interests of the company, which is now applying for a gas franchise from the city, are wise they will display a spirit of fairness and a desire to be reasonable in the negotiations which are being carried on with the council. If they exhibit a disposition to be grasping and imagine that they can obtain concessions because they are alone in the field—concessions which they would not think of demanding if a rival application were before the council, they will defeat their own ends. They must remember that a gas plant is not at the present time absolutely essential to the well being of the city and that the citizens can well afford to wait until a satisfactory arrangement can be arrived at with some responsible company. In all the changes which are being made in the terms of agreement now being drawn up the company at present applying are pressing for better terms, although the terms already are as favorable as any reasonable business men could possibly desire. They have an exclusive franchise and the rate is high in comparison with that charged in any city in the east. They must remember, too, that their product here will be used principally for heating and fuel, which is usually obtained at a lesser rate than when used as an illuminant, but that under the agreement with the Rossland council no difference will be made. The matter of time when the plant shall be completed and in working order should be made a material point by the council. While there is no reason for crowding the company in this or in any other respect they should be compelled to go vigorously to work if the franchise is given to them. The Mayor and Aldermen may be trusted to make the best bargain possible for the city and if the company becomes too exacting the result might be that a bylaw would be placed before the people to which the members of the council did not give their approval, but which they submitted to the ratepayers to allow an expression of opinion from them. A bylaw so submitted would have no chance of success. If, therefore, the company wants to do business with the city the gentlemen looking after its interests here would act well by becoming more moderate in their demands.

WILL PRODUCE GOOD TIMES.

The treasure ships keep arriving at the coast towns, and each one has from \$100,000 up to \$500,000 worth of a waiting world. The steamers that are now coming in are those which arrive from Skagway, and bring only such miners as have come out from the Klondike gold fields via the Upper Yukon, the lakes and White Pass railway. The steamers which are bearing millions are coming via St. Michaels and are momentarily expected. It is certain that they will fetch into civilization large sums. The effect of this gold on the country is hard to estimate. There is one thing peculiar about gold of this kind. It will take many years before it all finds its way into the hands of the class which does not produce anything, and which lives simply on the interest which is paid on money it lends. Before this gold becomes the absolute property of this class it will circulate among the people. It will be handled many times by men of enterprise who are willing and will invest in something besides first mortgages and on good collateral security. In this way it will furnish employment to large numbers and at good wages. It will thus do a whole lot of good. In addition to this it is next to impossible to make money tight when it is known that nearly every steamer coming from the north will bring in a new supply of gold. Under such circumstances money becomes easy and cheap. It can be secured without special concessions at large interest. When money is plentiful all sorts of commercial and manufacturing enterprises flourish in a most marked degree, wages go up, merchants of all kinds are prosperous, and we have what is called good times. With this gold coming in, in what ought to be for the next few years constantly increasing quantities, it should in a short period produce an era of good times equal to any experienced on this continent for years.

As the gold is produced in Canada, this Dominion, and especially its western portion, should be most benefited by its presence. The period of prosperity which followed the discovery of gold in California was the greatest that the United States ever experienced, and was felt clear across the country from San Francisco, Cal., to Portland, Maine. This Dominion is to be similarly favorably affected by the gold that is being taken from the northwestern portion of the Dominion, and this principally because it gets among the people of enterprise and not among the money-lending class, who are not largely given to embarking in ventures where chances have to be taken. This is not said in any disparagement of the money-lending class. They are a most useful class, and especially so in a new country. They often lend to men of enterprise, but only upon good security.

The average Klondiker when he returns from the frozen north with his "pile," is usually very liberal with his money. If he has a struggling brother, who is a tradesman, he sets him up in business, and if his sister is married to a poor man he

gives her a lift that to go into some line will yield him a living fully guarded, may be success. It is lent could not go to a hundred dollars to they have no credit a great deal and is a miner has no relation his money to, it is the entire business benefit of it, and large ones through caused by gold coins a new source for a is what we mean into the hands of In this connection this metal is so plentiful it would be the product (Canadian gold coin) gold could be kept is not turned into of this country most out. There may be of the Dominion will to be very useful, have it unless we it.

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MINING

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OUR LONDON LETTER

Mining Market Disturbed by the Transvaal Trouble.

BRITISH COLUMBIAN NEW LOAN

New British Columbian Companies Placed Before the Public—The Mining Section of the Great Britain Exhibition Getting into Working Order.

London, June 27.—[Special Correspondence to The Miner.]—Since my last letter there has been a change in the condition of the mining market, due to the very unpleasant developments in the Transvaal. At the time of writing everything is in a state of uncertainty, and although I am assured by one of the leading Rand financiers that there is little or no prospect of a war between this country and the South African Republic, the bare possibility of such a contingency arising has caused a feeling of anxiety to prevail, pending some definite solution of the difficulty. Of course, British Columbian must obey those sympathetic to the government the movement of prices in the mining market, as in every other section of the stock exchange, and although prices of British Columbia shares have held their own remarkably well, it would be ridiculous to expect them to improve without other things were tumbling around them. The stock exchange is not a skittle game. It is usual in times of alarm like this, we are now experiencing for the first time, to see the market for securities to be all one way, the reason, of course, being that the public are entirely swayed by the news of the hour. They all sell together, and they all buy together, and as the laws of supply and demand govern dealings in stocks and shares, as well as in sugar or corn, prices in the absence of strong support are bound to give way. Pray do not take it that I mean to infer that it is impossible for one market to be healthy while another is weak. What I want to make you understand is that times such as those we are now experiencing the trend of prices is all one way, owing to the elation or depression of each succeeding day caused, of course, by the good or bad news arriving from South Africa. It would be the same probably if it was China, Venezuela or Fushoda; but as it is South Africa and we are all very much wrapped up in South African gold, land and diamonds, the effect is very pronounced upon South Africans in particular, and mining shares in general.

There are rumors about that the British Columbian new loan will very shortly be introduced to the market. In view of the death of all high-class securities and their depreciation of late years and also in view of the improvement of the province, especially in regard to its mines, I shall be very much surprised if those in whose hands the arrangements are placed are not able to carry out the operation on much cheaper lines than in the case of the last loan. Of course, political contingencies will have to be considered, but I certainly expect that the new issue will be in every way successful.

Among other new issues recently before the public was the Cariboo Consolidated, limited, and we heard a little bit about this concern at the meeting of the Gold Lands corporation, limited, held in London a few days since. This is a company of late to have attracted far better opportunities than West Australia, and recently turned its attention to Cariboo.

Among recent issues I might mention the Telford Yukon Mining company, formed to acquire the assets of the Telford syndicate. The issue in London was in the hands of Mr. Frank Scoullon, a leader in the London stock exchange. The London issue was limited to 6,000 shares of £1 each, equal to five shares of the £1 each, and I understand that the amount offered was all taken up. I know that the scheme was thought very highly of by a very strong group in the stock exchange, which has identified itself with the Yukon, and I also know for certain that Telford has been dealt in on the stock exchange at a small premium. A London register will be kept and shares on the London and Colonial register will be interchangeable on the basis of 100 shares for one of £1 each.

Another British Columbian company is before the public this week. Its name is the Kootenay (Perry Creek) Gold Mines, limited. It has a capital of £80,000, in £1 shares, 28,000 of which will be allotted to the vendors in part payment of the purchase consideration, 12,000 are held in reserve for later issue to provide funds for working capital if necessary, and the remaining 20,000 are offered to the public. The following are the chief items of the front page: Directors—Sir Edward Leighton, K. C. B. (chairman), Deputy chairman of the London, Chatham & Dover railway; Herbert Knatchbull-Hugessen, director of the Rhodesian Mining & Finance Company, limited; Col. C. J. R. Tyler, 37 Gloucester street, London, S. W.; William Cotton Rhode, Folkestone. Brokers—Messrs. Erskine, Ormrod & Co., South-Sea House and Stock Exchange, Auditors—Messrs. Payne, Newman & Co., 44 Gresham street, London, E. C.

The company has been formed to acquire and develop carefully selected gold mining properties in the Kootenay district of British Columbia, more particularly valuable claims known as the Pearl, the Elkhorn and the Ruby Fraction, situated two and one-half miles to the south of Perry creek, on the northern slope of the gold-bearing range of mountains separating the waters of Perry and Weaver creeks. According to the prospectus the claims (about 110 acres in extent) are held under crown grants. They have been inspected and favorably reported on by Mr. J. W. R. Young, M. E., manager of the Gold Mines of Wild Horse creek, British Columbia, and Mr. J. R. Farrell of Oakland, California, a mining engineer of large experience in California. Mr. Young, in estimating the profits to be derived from working these mines, says in his report: "When these mines have been opened up in the manner suggested, the cost of mining, tramping and milling will not exceed \$3.50 per ton. Assuming the average value of the ore to be \$15 per ton, a modern 20-stamp mill, with the new appliances, would crush 50 tons of ore

THE SQUABBLE IN THE CABINET

Martin Charges That the Trouble is a Conspiracy Between Cotton and Semlin.

Vancouver, July 6.—[Special.]—The publication of the letters between Attorney-General Martin and Premier Semlin has caused a great deal of talk today, and they contain practically what has already been reported in the conversation between the Premier and the Attorney-General. In his reply, Hon. Mr. Martin says that the whole difficulty is a conspiracy between Mr. Cotton and Mr. Semlin, and remarks, in a general way, that Mr. Cotton has falsified the government records.

Mr. Cotton referred the interviewers to the head of the government, and Mr. Semlin had very little to say, declining to make any official statement whatever. Mr. Martin's local organ alleged that Sir Hibbert Tupper had been sent for by Mr. Cotton to take a seat in the government. Sir Hibbert Tupper arrived from Ottawa last night, and said today that there was no truth in his statement. "I have had no communication with Mr. Cotton since he became minister," he declared, "and I have not the slightest intention of giving up my Pictou seat in the Commons to take part in British Columbia politics. I left Ottawa in a hurry on private business."

A government caucus will be held on the 26th of the month.

NOW A COALITION GOVERNMENT

The Latest Developments in Provincial Political Circles—Fighting Joe May Lead in Opposition.

Vancouver, B. C., July 10.—[Special.]—A coalition ministry is the latest development in the arrangements going on in provincial government circles. It is announced that this arrangement has been made which will obviate the necessity of a general election. The program is for Governor McInnes to act on Premier Semlin's advice and dismiss Martin. The proposed plan includes H. D. Helmcken, the senior member of Victoria city, as Martin's successor. Two other Opposition members will be given portfolios, but just who they will be has not yet been finally decided. Semlin and Cotton will remain in the government. They have agreed that one of the conditions of the coalition shall be a changed policy. The eight-hour law affecting miners, and anti-alien legislation will be repealed. There has been some little opposition to the suggestion of a coalition government by certain Opposition supporters, but their views have been overruled by the majority of the Opposition members, who contend there is little use of insisting upon the defeat of the government when an arrangement probably satisfactory to the country can be perfected by a coalition. The new Opposition will be headed by Martin and consist of those opposed to the coalition.

RETURNED FROM ALASKA. A Thrilling Adventure Near the Great Muir Glacier.

Mr. H. E. L. Merry, expert for the British America corporation, W. J. Collins, a mining expert of London and Australia, and Mrs. Collins, and Mr. J. A. Martin, a capitalist of London, Eng., arrived here on Sunday, having just returned from a visit to Alaska. Mr. Merry was there for the purpose of examining a mining property near Sitka. The steamer visited the Muir glacier and witnessed the drop of a large section of the glacier into the bay in which the glacier empties. It made two great waves that seemed to be twice as high as the steamer. It bore down on the steamer and it looked for a moment as though the vessel would founder. It washed over the decks and partially filled the hold with water. The vessel shook like an aspen and was rolled over on her beams ends for a while and it was momentarily thought she would go to the bottom. Finally she righted. It was adding a spice of danger to the visit that was unlooked for. The sound of the great mass of ice as it fell into the water was more like a peal of thunder than anything else. The Muir glacier has a perceptible motion, and sections of it are constantly falling into the bay. The bay is at nearly all times filled with icebergs weighing many hundreds of tons, and these pass out of the bay and in some instances reach the ocean.

The Bonanza Group. Stephen Brailo has returned from the Norway mountain section. Mr. Brailo reports that he has been working recently on the Bonanza group of five claims. On these properties he has made two new discoveries of quartz ledge. One find is four feet in width and the other six feet wide. One of the ledges has been stripped for a distance of 15 feet and the other for 10 feet. The intention is to sink on the four-foot ledge and to open with a shaft the six-foot ledge. Three of the claims in the Bonanza group adjoin the Cascade property and two of the ledges of the Cascade run through them. There is considerable work in progress on the other properties in that section, and Mr. Brailo is certain that some important discoveries will be made before the snow begins to fall. Mr. Brailo will leave on Wednesday for Norway mountain to remain there for the balance of the open season.

Results of Law Examinations. The results of the recent examinations in law at Victoria were announced at the regular meeting of the Benchers of the Law Society recently. The successful candidates were: First Intermediate—A. Maclean, A. R. Creagh, S. Child, R. C. Spinks, J. M. B. Spinks and W. P. Dockerill. Second Intermediate—W. C. Brown, J. O'Shea and W. Briggs. Call and Admission—E. Bloomfield, B. P. W. Wintermute and F. T. Corawall.

The following gentlemen were called and admitted: Messrs. F. W. Tiffin, H. C. Hannington, R. Armstrong, H. J. Duncan, F. C. Elliott and Stuart Livingston, and Messrs. H. A. Stewart and Thomas O'Brien were admitted as solicitors. They were sworn in before Mr. Justice Drake. The results of the preliminary examination are not yet known.

MONEY TO BE SPENT

New Gold Fields of B. C. to Operate its Properties.

A NEW COMPANY FORMED

It is a Subsidiary Corporation to Operate the Portland—A Road Needed—A Twenty-Drill Compressor and Electric Power for the etc.

Captain James Morrish, the consulting engineer for the New Gold Fields of British Columbia, for the Velvet Mines, limited, and the Portland Mines, is here for the purpose of arranging for the transportation of the ores of the Velvet to market, and to arrange for work on the Portland property, one of the claims adjoining the Velvet. Since his arrival here last week he has been busily engaged in looking after the matters assigned to him, but on Monday he was seen by a reporter and asked how the work which had been entrusted to him was progressing. He said: "A subsidiary company has been formed by the New Gold Fields of British Columbia, which will operate the Portland property, one of the Velvet group. The capital stock will be the same, I think, as that of the Velvet, £100,000. Since my arrival I have received instructions to develop and work vigorously on the Portland property. Work was started on the Portland this morning. We think the Portland has the same ore veins as the Velvet. We have commenced the work of driving a crosscut tunnel from the lowest possible point on the Portland, and by driving this tunnel for a distance of 200 feet we think that the vein will be tapped at a vertical depth of 175 feet. The work will be under the direction of Mr. John L. Morrish. The company will send an assistant for Mr. Morrish to do the surveying and assaying. The company that is now operating the Portland has ample funds and the work is to be vigorously pushed and on a substantial and scientific scale. The company is greatly pleased with the work done by Mr. J. L. Morrish.

"How do I like the appearance of the Velvet? I made a very careful examination of the Velvet and may say that I am well pleased with it. I am satisfied that in the Velvet there is the nucleus of a good mine. I regard the last ore body, recently found on the 250-foot level, of the Velvet as the most important. There is eight feet of good ore there and it gives assays of a most satisfactory nature. Besides this we have large bodies of concentrating ore that runs from 88 to 92% to the ton. Indeed, the whole mine looks well and, as I said before, I am very much pleased with it. I am endeavoring to develop the Velvet and the Portland most vigorously. I am now figuring on a 20-drill compressor, which, it is expected, will be increased to a capacity of 40-drills. I have been in communication with the Kootenay Power and Light company and hope to come to terms with that company by which we can secure the power from them to run the compressor. We are about to install the hoist, etc. Their power is in use now at Silica and will only have to be extended a short distance to our properties. You know an electric line for transmitting power can be extended over the mountains by the shortest distance without regard to grades. In addition to this we are endeavoring to improve the telephone people to construct a telephone line to the Velvet. We need this sort of communication, as it will expedite business and save many trips to Rossland. It is also the intention to erect comfortable quarters at the mine in which to house the staff. We feel now that the property has arrived at such a position that it can take off its baby clothes and don at least trousers and a jacket. I have since my arrival here been in communication with the railway authorities with the view of obtaining transportation facilities for our ore. Falling in with this wagon road will be constructed. You understand that the shareholders in the old country and the management of the company is most interested in making dividend payers out of these properties. Personally they do not understand the situation here locally and they do not care whether the road is built from Rossland or some other place. Personally I have many friends in Rossland and would very much like to make these mines tributary to this city. The tonnage from Sophie mountain is certain to be large, and I am equally certain that there is to be a settlement in that vicinity of no inconsiderable size. It will, therefore, be a connection that will be direct and which will not be shared by any other place. I am to talk to the board of trade concerning this matter this evening."

In speaking about the feeling in London toward the mines of British Columbia, Captain Morrish said: "The people who interest themselves in mines there are beginning to realize what the possibilities here are. Recently I met several who are and have been interested in South African mines, and they questioned me at length concerning this section and expressed their intention of making further investigations and if they found that it warranted it they declared that they intended to make investments here. The success of the British America corporation, of the New Gold Fields of British Columbia, the Hall Mines, limited, and others has done a great deal to attract growing and is certain to have considerable effect in time."

"I received a number of commissions from those who are seeking to secure interests here, but the business I have in hand and as the extent of my stay is so limited I fear that I will not be able to execute them and return to London in August," concluded Captain Morrish.

Sold Two Compressors. Mr. F. R. Mendenhall has returned from a visit to the Nelson division. While there he sold to the Athabasca Mining company one 20-horse power compressor and to the Duncan Mines one of eight-horse power. He says that the mining business is extremely lively on Toad mountain. The Duncan Mines is erecting a 20-stamp mill on its Granite mine near Poorman's Siding.

The Cancer Society of London has commissioned Dr. A. L. E. Duffy to proceed to the United States to collect data, to investigate the operations of the Buffalo laboratory, and to offer a prize of £10 for the best original essay on cancer science.

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THE FOURTH AT REPUBLIC

INTERESTING AND EXCITING RACE BETWEEN INDIAN SQUAWS.

The Bronzed Miners Watched the Sport With the Keenest Zest—News of the Mines.

Republic, July 6.—[Special.]—It rained during most of the 4th and the mud was deep, but the sun came out bright and strong next day, and the gravelly soil quickly absorbed the moisture. Then the races began. What a tearing time it was along the level avenue. The Siwash was here and only eclipsed in bright colors by the rainbow tints of his squaw, who was generally arrayed in purple and gold. It was a great day for the Siwash. The races were the headlong dashes of mining camp races in general. But the squaw race, "for ladies only." Oh! that was a rare treat. Up they came, tearing along, with never a thought of the panting animal they sat astride. Bent low in the saddle with the racing instinct of an Archer or a Siwash, these Bendinees are Arabs of the valley in their own wild glee plied the whip and the heels. They thundered along with bent bodies and flying hair until the last quarter was reached, when a young half-breed Nespein princess, the "Flying Cloud," shot into the front. Low she sat in the saddle, and as she galloped a plant as a willow was the graceful figure that urged the flying race on. She was a beauty in bronze, too, and as she gained a neck and then a length and a half the bronzed princess turned in her saddle, galloping at the 20 or more squaws galloping wildly behind her and gave a war whoop that would make a Sioux warrior tremble in his war paint. And how the throng applauded the graceful and plucky rider.

The order of Red Men paraded, dressed in their war bonnets and other fantastic costumes, with the Indians and squaws following behind. A brass band was another luxury of the day. The drilling contest was witnessed by hundreds, the men in investments. Callahan and partner, 28 inches in 15 minutes, and fast but was a little late. The strokes of the hammer were 963 by the first team, 962 by the second, and 962 by the third.

The Eastern Lily, owned by Parliament Hull and McCormick, in the Sheridan camp, is showing up in fine shape. They have sunk shafts on two different ledges on the claim. The ledges are over six feet wide, and the values are from \$16 to \$25 per ton in gold and copper. The property is three-quarters of a mile from the Zala M., and a few hundred feet from the Horseshoe, on which they are now running a 150-foot tunnel. The Horseshoe ledge gave values in the bottom of the shaft from \$60 to \$150. There is considerable activity in the Sheridan camp at present.

John King is up from King's camp on the south half. He has discovered a new chute on the Bonanza group, heretofore overlooked. Yesterday's assays gave \$50.40 and \$58.94 gold. The average of six samples ran from \$13.22 to \$49.90. The width of the vein is at present two feet of solid quartz. It will be a shaft proposition and they will follow the ledge. The group consists of five claims, and on the surface the ledges are very wide.

The San Poi wagon road, so far as the Ferry county commissioners are concerned, will shortly be completed, and the other contractors coming in from Wilbur, states that they will have their part completed in time. It is 20 miles to Wilbur, and is claimed by the teams can make the trip in two days and the stage can make the run in one day. State Commissioner Hart and County Commissioner Yergin left yesterday to view the road from here to Marcus and enter into a contract for its completion, subject to the approval of the commissioners who will retain a certain amount to insure the proper completion of the road for freight and other vehicles.

The town is about rebuilt from the head of the avenue to the foot, and about the most artistic work has been done by Charles Lake the representative in the hostelry here. Mr. Lake did not lose a minute.

Will Install a Blast Furnace.

The foundation of the foundry building, which is being made for the Rosland Engineering Works, is being laid. The structure will be 60x30 feet. It is the intention to install a blast furnace in this building in which all sorts of casting can be made. The structure is being erected by Mr. A. J. Raymer. The remainder of the machinery for the machine shop will come to hand during the present week, and the company will then be able to handle any sort of work which may be entrusted to it.

Races at Myer's Falls.

There is now a mile track at Myer's Falls, and there will be races there on Saturday next. It is understood that Mr. Ernest Kennedy's "Benledi" and Mr. Claude Cregan's "Rosland" and Mr. Stout's "Hattie Watts" will run a three-eighths of a mile race on Saturday. The train will leave here on Saturday morning and on the return trip will leave Myer's Falls after the races are over. A number of horsemen from this city will attend the races.

Break in the Water Main.

A leak in the water main was located at the corner of Columbia avenue and Spokane street Monday and the superintendent determined to have the necessary repairs made at once before the matter got more serious. Accordingly, about noon the water was shut off at the trap on Spokane street, where first avenue crosses that thoroughfare, and a force of men put to work digging down to the pipe and had been completely blown off by the pressure. The necessary repairs were at once made and by 6 o'clock the water was turned into the main once more. Mr. Fellows had a man stationed at the point where the water was turned off in the afternoon, in case an alarm of fire was given. The superintendent said that in the case of accidents the water could have been turned on at any moment. If consumers find the water muddy today they will know the reason why, as a certain amount of earth usually gets into the main whenever these repairs are made.

HYDRAULIC MINING.

A Company Being Formed to Work on the Kettle River—Other News.

Grand Forks, B. C., July 11.—[Special.]—Col. Engel of San Francisco, Cal., and a number of local capitalists are taking steps to form a company with a capital of \$50,000 with the object of engaging in hydraulic mining on the main fork of the Kettle river. Their first field of operations will be in this vicinity. It is a common experience to obtain colors, and sometimes gold, in fair quantities with an ordinary pan from the gravel on any of the benches within the city limits. As a pey-acter of the dust and the flaky character of the gravel, it has not hitherto been a financial success. No effort, however, was ever made to go to bedrock.

Chinamen working on the bars half a mile below the city claim to have frequently netted from \$2.90 to \$3 a day. It is confidently believed that with a hydraulic dredge capable of handling large quantities of gravel mining could be carried on at a good profit. This entire region was explored by gold hunters more than 30 years ago. Their pits and trenches are still visible at many points between here and Rock creek.

R. A. Brown started work today on the volcanic claim, 15 miles from here on the north fork of the Kettle river. He feels confident that the ore body will be tapped within six weeks. The property, which is being developed by means of a tunnel, possesses a vast iron cap, making it a distinguishable object for many miles. The new plant recently installed on Summit camp has begun operations, and is giving first class satisfaction. The Rathmullen property within two weeks will be equipped with a 40-horse power boiler, pump and hoist. The Victor, an adjacent claim, owned by J. B. Henderson of Grand Forks, is showing up promisingly. Within a few feet of the surface the vein consists of four feet of solid ore.

C. F. Edwards of Chicago, accompanied by a party of over a dozen of his fellow shareholders in the United States Marble company, is expected here this week. They are making a tour of the Boundary country with a view of making extensive investments. Steps are being taken to oppose the application recently made to the provincial government for timber limits exceeding many thousands of acres on the north fork of Kettle river. It will be possible to operate sawmills, simply requires a grant for speculative purposes. In the meantime the government will only be de-termining a nominal license fee, but no stumpage dues. This attempt to corner the available timber supply is regarded here as injurious to legitimate sawmill owners as well as inimical to a large section of the people of the Boundary country.

Bylaws Carried at Grand Forks.

Grand Forks, B. C., July 11.—[Special.]—Three bylaws voted on today were carried. The bylaws were: (1) for the extension of the electric and water plants; (2) subsidizing the Granby smelter and (3) borrowing a sum of money for public improvements.

GRAND FORKS NEWS.

Crop Conditions Are Excellent—Harvest of Fruit Will Be Abundant.

Grand Forks, July 8.—[Special.]—The crop conditions here are excellent. Copious rains and intermittent sunshine have happily conspired in favor of the Kettle River valley ranchers, whose acres have doubled in value in the last three months. The fruit crop promises to be particularly abundant. The grape yield is already assured. Oats and wheat, as usual, will average 70 and 40 bushels respectively to the acre.

The Granby Consolidated Mining & Smelting company have awarded Murray Bros., the well-known railway contractors who built several of the C. P. R., the contract for the construction of the mile flume for the proposed smelter here. They were also awarded the contract for the work of grading the smelter site. Operations will be commenced on Monday. The grading will be completed within a fortnight. It is expected that the flume, whose construction will give employment to 15 men, will be completed by September 1st. The smelter company has decided to start work on its reduction works on Monday. The work will not be let by contract. Carpenters, bricklayers and woodchoppers are in urgent demand here.

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Figures for the Year—Big Increase For Port of Rosland.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Ross of the Rosland customs, the Miner is able to present the following interesting tabulation of the imports and exports and collections for the year ending June 30, 1899, for the port of Rosland:

Table with columns for Quarter ending, Imports, Exports, and Collections. Total for 12 months: \$890,412. Imports: \$110,599. Exports: \$52,483. Collections: \$1,092,361.

Total collections during 1898-99 at Rosland, Trail and Sheep Creek... \$144,271.68. Increase in collections during 1898-99 over collections of 1897-98... \$68,741.15. Average monthly collection... \$12,000.00.

NEWS FROM GREENWOOD CITY

ITS SUCCESS BEYOND ORDINARY ANTICIPATION.

Accident to One of the Grand Forks Baseball Players—Other interesting Events of the Occasion.

Greenwood, July 4.—[Special.]—Dominion Day celebration was continued today with unabated success and largely increased attendance. The heavy rain storms had somewhat disfigured the decorations, and occasional showers during the day interfered to a greater or less extent, but altogether the success of the celebration was even beyond the ordinary anticipation. Small sports were held in the forenoon on Silver street, in the afternoon there were baseball, horse racing and drilling contests, and the evening fireworks and a concert. The crowds were throughout most orderly, and very little drunkenness or rowdiness were observed. In fact, Greenwood is to be congratulated on the way in which citizens and visitors comport themselves. The only regrettable feature of the celebration was a very serious accident which occurred on the baseball field this afternoon during the game between Grand Forks and Greenwood teams. Charlie Russell, one of the Grand Forks first base, while sliding to the latter feet first, managed in some way to fracture both bones of his right leg.

The baseball match was rather one-sided, the Grand Forks team being much superior in play, and the game ended at the fifth innings with a score of 13 to 5. There was one good horse race with three times, a mile and quarter run. The Rosland Maid was an easy winner. The gymkana race, with six entries, was quite amusing.

The feature of the celebration which created the greatest amount of interest, was the drilling contest, which took place this afternoon at 5 o'clock on the main street, and was witnessed by several thousand persons. There were five teams competing, and all did good work without accident. The teams competing with results were as follows: Burns and Stevenson, Rosland, 42 inches; Ross and Murphy, Ymir, 38 3/4 inches; McLeod and Lynch, local, 34 3/8 inches; Holmes and Sandry, local, 28 1/8 inches in 12 minutes. The drilling time was 15 minutes, with minute changes, each team boring one hole. The rock was coarse granite. The contest lasted an hour and a half.

The principal events of the celebration were as follows, with the winners: Wood chopping, two cuts, John Murray first, 1:59 and 2:49; Mike Hays—second, 2:21 and 2:40.

Lawson match, two local teams, with no special features of play. Horse racing, four entries, best two in three, one-quarter mile dash—Rosland Maid first, Sleepy Jim second. Boys' pony race, same distance, best two in three, with four entries: Curlew (owned by Archibald), first; Harewood (owned by J. B. Henderson), second. Livestock, man's quarter mile race. Slow race won by donkey from Midway, three days en route and still traveling.

Tug of war—Two teams, Greenwood and Mother Lode; won by Greenwood in five minutes; by two inches.

Small sports.—One hundred yards dash, three entries. Mitchell, Greenwood, first in 10 1/2 seconds; P. G. McLeod, Greenwood, second. Boys' handicap race, E. Madill first and Charlie Russell second. Running long jump, M. D. Richards first, 17 1/4 and D. Ryder second. Two hundred dash, Mitchell and McLeod first and second. Sixteen-pound shot, J. A. Murray first, 32 1/2, and P. G. McLeod second. One quarter mile race, Mitchell and McLeod. Running high jump, tie between M. Tilton, M. D. Richards and P. G. McLeod, 4 feet 11 1/4 inches. Potato race, A. Hallett first, and R. Tilton second.

The horse races were contested between two local teams. Good time was made, but an accident to the coupling prevented one from starting. The fire works and the concert in Burnett's hall this evening were very good and greatly enjoyed.

A POTATO FAMINE.

The Price of Tubers Has Risen to About Five Cents a Pound.

There is a potato famine in the city, and in some of the restaurants they have quit serving them on account of the price. The price has advanced to \$5 a sack, or about 4 1/2 cents a pound in smaller quantities. The famine is caused primarily by the fact that large quantities are being shipped from the Pacific coast seaport towns in the United States to the Philippines for the use of the American soldiers. In addition to this, the demand from Alaska is large. The result is that there is a shortage of potatoes at Tacoma and Seattle, and the farmers in Eastern Washington have shipped large quantities to these points instead of marketing them in the Kootenays. A couple of carloads are expected on Monday, and this will relieve the situation and cause the price to lower within reach of everybody. It is thought that the price will be about three cents per pound.

Climbed Spokane Mountain.

Messrs. Thomason, Sharpin and Venner on Sunday last climbed to the top of Spokane mountain. It took just two hours and three-quarters to reach the apex and, as the day was clear and the view unobstructed, what was to be seen fully paid for the trouble of the climb. There is considerable snow on the south side of the mountain. The result is that there is a party met on porcupine and chased it. They did not capture it, but brought a few of his quills, which indicated that they were pretty close to the fateful beast. It took about two hours to make the return trip. They came down via the Wallingford trail.

Mackintosh Is the Purchaser.

It was learned Tuesday from an authentic source that the Hon. Charles H. Mackintosh had purchased the Cook and the Yelkness property, which comprises five lots on the south side of Columbia avenue, east of Washington street. The purchase price, which consists of \$46,500, has been paid over and the transaction is completed.

OKANOGAN FREE GOLD MINES, LTD

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The annual general meeting of the Okanogan Free Gold Mines (Limited) was held yesterday afternoon at the company's offices in this city, when the annual reports and statements were submitted. There was a good attendance of shareholders, and the chair was occupied by the president, Hon. T. Mayne Daly. The president presented the following annual report:

To the Shareholders of the Okanogan Free Gold Mines, Limited: The President and Directors beg to submit the following report of the operations of the Company since the 22nd of November, 1898, the date of incorporation.

The original properties of the company comprised five claims, "Cobbler," "Great Wonder," "Freezeout," "Uford" and "Similkameen." The company has since acquired by location seven more properties, situated about five miles distant, on which a complete sawmill plant has been erected for the purpose of cutting lumber to build the mill, and other necessary improvements. It has also acquired by location three properties, situated about two miles from the mine, for the purpose of getting cord wood and mine timbers for the mill, boarding house and mine. Also the valuable water rights known as the Similkameen Falls, situated about one mile northwest of the mine, capable of generating 200 horse power. The group of claims on which the mine is situated have been previously surveyed for a patent, and negotiations are now in progress for a new survey, and a patent will be immediately applied for.

The title to all the properties is in the company, free from all incumbrances. Capital. The company has received from the sale of shares the sum of \$76,119.20. The auditor's statement shows the amount of money received from various sources, and the expenditure under various heads.

This cost \$2,650.95, and has cut in the neighborhood of 80,000 feet of lumber, which cost about \$12 per 1,000 at the mine. The lumber tender the company could get for lumber delivered at the mine before the directors decided to put in this plant was \$15 per 1,000 feet at the mill, plus the haulage, which would have cost from \$3 to \$5 per 1,000 feet, making a total of from \$18 to \$20 per 1,000 feet. The company has saved \$12 per 1,000 feet. Putting it on a conservative basis, the mill has saved \$5,000 up to date, and the company has now a good sawmill plant and thousands of feet of standing timber available. This is one of the company's most valuable assets.

Stamp Mill and Plant. This consists of a mill building in which is installed a 10-stamp battery, complete; the stamps weigh 120 pounds, and are operated to drop 110 times per minute; also two Wilcox concentrators and the necessary crushing vats and tanks to treat the base or pyritic ore to advantage. All the crushing and concentrating machinery is in place in the mill building, and there only remains some small fixing to be done to start up the mill. This mill has been erected in a first class manner, with the best possible expense.

Development Work on Mining Claims. The development on the company's properties consist of one shaft 50 feet deep, 40 feet of which is in ore 11 1/2 feet wide, on the east and west vein, and marked No. 1 on the accompanying plan. The ore body at this depth is 12 feet wide, and the vein is all high grade decomposed ore. It was not considered judicious to take the ore out until such time as the mill was complete, as a large amount of the free gold will be lost by repeated handling. This vein has been developed by an inclined shaft 75 feet deep, at the point the vein is all high grade decomposed ore. It was not considered judicious to take the ore out until such time as the mill was complete, as a large amount of the free gold will be lost by repeated handling. This vein has been developed by an inclined shaft 75 feet deep, at the point the vein is all high grade decomposed ore.

This property has a history. Discovered some 10 years ago on Windermere mountain, a peak of the Rocky Range, it had a magnificent surface showing of malachite and cuprite. It was taken up by O. A. Brown, M. Phillips, S. Brewer and others, and considerable work was done on it. A shipment of the ore taken over was made to Swansea and the result was considered satisfactory. But the Rocky mountain formation, with its characteristic limestone, has always been regarded by mining men as an unfavorable formation for a copper mine, and so mining experts have visited the Swansea with the same idea in mind—that it was a good mine, but it might not. It remained for C. Parker, the well known mining engineer of Rosland, to solve the problem. He spent several days in its examination, and saw what no one else had seen—that there was a quartzite dyke rising through the limestone, twisting and crushing the rocks by the intrusion and created the fissure to be saturated with mineral waters. This fact established, Mr. Parker was able to take a different view of the property from most other experts and he advised his principals that the property was one he had merited development work, as he had never seen such fine surface showing of ore without something to justify its existing beneath. The result was that a tunnel was driven to cut the lead towards the southern end of the claim. This tunnel ran through the quartzite dyke, showing that it was 20 feet in width, and the foreman in then encountered a drift northward into the limestone on the footwall without noticing the distinct selvage which marked that wall. This tunnel was run for 100 feet. On his next visit Mr. Parker at once detected the mistake that had been made and started a drift northerly along the vein. This drift was run 50 feet, but the vein was found to be rather poor in ore, though some high grade stuff was obtained. Development work was then begun in another direction. In addition to this tunnel the development work done on the property now includes a series of three shafts sunk on the vein and known as the north, lead and south shafts. The strike of the lead is north and south and it has 75 degrees to the east. A tunnel has been run under and through the centre shaft, which is located on the vein 280 feet from the south shaft. This tunnel also cut through the quartzite dyke, which shows similar width to where it is cut through in the charge tunnel, and then immediately enters the vein, which measures 29 feet, and the footwall has not yet been passed through. The vein here shows ore all through, with lenses of rich ore running parallel with the walls. The centre shaft is 7 x 4 feet and 90 feet in depth, and is all in ore to a depth of 75 feet. At the bottom of this shaft a cross-cut has been run 18 feet west of the hanging wall. Between the point of intersection of the tunnel and the surface, ore has been stoped out, and in the walls of the stope there is a fine showing of cop-

per glance, which is necessarily one of the highest grade of copper ores. At the time of our visit the striking of the north shaft was being proceeded with. This shaft is 82 feet from the centre shaft, so that we have here a length of vein being developed between the south and north shafts of 390 feet and if the cross-cutting maintains the width showing in the tunnel at the centre shaft there will be a large body of ore actually in sight. We publish in another column the estimate of the value placed on the ore by Mr. Parker, the engineer in charge, and on the basis of those values the Swansea has every prospect of being on the fair way to be an extensive and profitable mine. An assay of the ore made by Mr. Robertson, provincial mineralogist, gave 17.5 per cent copper. At the time of our visit the north shaft was down 41 feet and work has been progressing on it since. This shaft was 5 feet 4 inches by 3 feet and it is intended to enlarge it to 7 feet by 5 feet, and make it the main working shaft. This shaft is all in ore. At a depth of 38 feet a fine pocket of cuprite was struck, and the ore then changed from malachite and cuprite to azurite and copper glance. At the bottom of the shaft was a fine body of copper glance two feet solid, and still increasing in width. The latest reports from the mine show that this body of ore has widened out to 10 feet. Such a strike is of immense importance, and it was coming in on the north side of the shaft it appeared to indicate a chute of ore in that direction. A satisfactory thing about the development work so far is the fact now demonstrated that the value of the vein improves as it goes north, and if there is any quantity of the ore referred to above, the Swansea is a bonanza. The south shaft is 45 feet in depth, with lenses of high grade ore running through the vein. On the surface the vein has been followed for 100 feet south of the south shaft and continues to show a good grade of ore in the shape of malachite and copper glance. The resident engineer, Mr. C. Banatyne, who has been trained at the Camborne school of mines in Cornwall, England, is a first class man for the position, thoroughly understanding his work and ensuring to the stockholders the best results from their expenditure on development work. Mr. Banatyne has already discovered the outcrop of the vein and found excellent ore in a depth of 500 feet down the north side of the mountain. The mine is exceptionally well located in every respect. It is handy to transportation being only four miles from Lake Windermere. Timber is plentiful in the vicinity. Water rights have been secured from a lake on Aylmer creek. A good trail at present connects the mine with the wagon road at Mr. Fearns' place, about three and a half miles distant, so that there is not much length of wagon road to build to give first class access to the mine. The property is only about 5,000 feet above sea level and is thus also most favorably situated so far as altitude is concerned. There are 50 tons of first class shipping ore on the dump, and a large quantity actually in sight, ready to be mined. The owners will, however, pursue active development work before shipping, and it is probable a level tunnel will be run in from the slope of the mountain on the present side. If the vein continues its present magnitude and quality to an immense amount of ore in sight, and will enable the property to be worked more economically than 90 per cent of the mines in British Columbia. The Swansea is now owned by the Derby Mining company of Rosland. The company has a capital stock of a million dollars. Mr. Charles Parker, M. E., of Rosland, is the consulting engineer to the company, and his work here at the Swansea is some of the most successful mining engineering we have seen. Mr. Parker has under consideration a process of treating the ores in the vicinity of the mine, and if his project is successfully carried out, the Swansea will meet the making of the townsite at Windermere. The staff at the mine will be considerably increased, and development pushed on at an early date, and we wish the Derby company the success they deserve in their enterprise.

SAILS FOR THE ORIENT.

Vessels Coming Down from the Far North With Gold. Vancouver, July 10.—The Royal Mail Steamship Company of China sailed for Hong Kong and Yokohama this afternoon. The Rosalie came in from the north this morning with Klondikers who had between \$80,000 and \$100,000, all of which they took to Seattle. The steamer Varona is hourly expected to arrive from St. Michael's. The Gavanna was the first of the big boats to leave this season and the owners confidently expect she will be the first to arrive with the gold that went down the Yukon on the river steamers Robert Kerr, Pilgrim, W. E. Evans, Lotie Talbot, Milwaukee and Sybil. The passengers of the Robert Kerr alone took down three million dollars. Speculation is being aroused as to which of the big steamers now on the way down will be the first to reach telegraphic communication. The Roanoke, belonging to the North American Transportation & Trading company, is the Garonne's most direct rival. She left Seattle for the north two days after the bigger steamer, but is faster. Should the Roanoke via Seattle will be the first point visited by the gold laden steamer from the mouth of the Yukon. If the Garonne outfoots her rival, then the first reliable news of Caps of gold will be given from this city, as Vancouver is her home port.

FOR SALE.—Lumber mill, with saw and door plant, and 5,000-acre timber limit, yielding 20,000 to 40,000 feet to the acre. Situate at Arrow Head. To close an account and will be sold cheap. Apply Robert Marshall, Columbia avenue, Rosland, B. C.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENT.

Notice. Lot 4008 G. 1, Le Roi and Annie Frazer Creek mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: Between the Annie, Le Roi and Black Bear mineral claims, Rosland, B. C. Take notice that I, Robert E. Palmer, agent for the Le Roi Mining Company, limited, free miner's certificate No. 113382, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 13th day of July, 1899. R. E. PALMER.

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BALANCE SHEET. Of the Okanogan Free Gold Mines Limited July 31 1899. Mr. K. K. Peiser submitted the annual financial statement as follows: Assets. Horse account.....\$ 41 00 Insurance..... 80 00 Incorporation..... 370 85 Mining claims (pur chase price)..... 50,000 00 Sawmill building and machinery..... 2,650 95 Mine mill building..... 4,406 81 Mine mill machinery..... 12,919 65 Water rights..... 17 00 Assessments..... 404 27 Assay plant..... 41 45 Cash in bank..... 728 17 Cash on hand Rosland..... 2,075 00 Cash on hand, mine..... 344 28 \$74,087 43 Disbursements. Legal expenses.....\$ 225 00 Labor account..... 3,539 29 Mine manager's salary 1,110 00 Mining supplies..... 931 35 Boarding house..... 458 37 Sawmill labor ac..... 1,162 77 Freight and hauling 1,216 45 Postage, printing and stationery..... 272 65 Traveling ex..... 478 20 Office..... 252 55 Assaying..... 24 00 Interest and exchange 154 90 9,868 35 \$83,955 78 Liabilities. Treas., 900,000 shares sold.....\$ 76,119 20 Bills payable..... 7,838 58 83,957 78 This certifies that I have examined the books and vouchers of the Okanogan Free Gold Mines, Ltd., and I find the same correct with the above statement, and also that the company holds one hundred thousand treasury shares unpaid. (Signed) EDWARD BAILLIE, Auditor. Rosland, B. C., July 7, 1899.

SWANSEA MINERAL PROPERTY

HISTORY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF A WINDERMERE MINE.

Experts at First Regarded It as an Unfavorable Formation, But Its Richness Proved by Mr. Parker.

This property has a history. Discovered some 10 years ago on Windermere mountain, a peak of the Rocky Range, it had a magnificent surface showing of malachite and cuprite. It was taken up by O. A. Brown, M. Phillips, S. Brewer and others, and considerable work was done on it. A shipment of the ore taken over was made to Swansea and the result was considered satisfactory. But the Rocky mountain formation, with its characteristic limestone, has always been regarded by mining men as an unfavorable formation for a copper mine, and so mining experts have visited the Swansea with the same idea in mind—that it was a good mine, but it might not. It remained for C. Parker, the well known mining engineer of Rosland, to solve the problem. He spent several days in its examination, and saw what no one else had seen—that there was a quartzite dyke rising through the limestone, twisting and crushing the rocks by the intrusion and created the fissure to be saturated with mineral waters. This fact established, Mr. Parker was able to take a different view of the property from most other experts and he advised his principals that the property was one he had merited development work, as he had never seen such fine surface showing of ore without something to justify its existing beneath. The result was that a tunnel was driven to cut the lead towards the southern end of the claim. This tunnel ran through the quartzite dyke, showing that it was 20 feet in width, and the foreman in then encountered a drift northward into the limestone on the footwall without noticing the distinct selvage which marked that wall. This tunnel was run for 100 feet. On his next visit Mr. Parker at once detected the mistake that had been made and started a drift northerly along the vein. This drift was run 50 feet, but the vein was found to be rather poor in ore, though some high grade stuff was obtained. Development work was then begun in another direction. In addition to this tunnel the development work done on the property now includes a series of three shafts sunk on the vein and known as the north, lead and south shafts. The strike of the lead is north and south and it has 75 degrees to the east. A tunnel has been run under and through the centre shaft, which is located on the vein 280 feet from the south shaft. This tunnel also cut through the quartzite dyke, which shows similar width to where it is cut through in the charge tunnel, and then immediately enters the vein, which measures 29 feet, and the footwall has not yet been passed through. The vein here shows ore all through, with lenses of rich ore running parallel with the walls. The centre shaft is 7 x 4 feet and 90 feet in depth, and is all in ore to a depth of 75 feet. At the bottom of this shaft a cross-cut has been run 18 feet west of the hanging wall. Between the point of intersection of the tunnel and the surface, ore has been stoped out, and in the walls of the stope there is a fine showing of cop-

SAILS FOR THE ORIENT.

Vessels Coming Down from the Far North With Gold. Vancouver, July 10.—The Royal Mail Steamship Company of China sailed for Hong Kong and Yokohama this afternoon. The Rosalie came in from the north this morning with Klondikers who had between \$80,000 and \$100,000, all of which they took to Seattle. The steamer Varona is hourly expected to arrive from St. Michael's. The Gavanna was the first of the big boats to leave this season and the owners confidently expect she will be the first to arrive with the gold that went down the Yukon on the river steamers Robert Kerr, Pilgrim, W. E. Evans, Lotie Talbot, Milwaukee and Sybil. The passengers of the Robert Kerr alone took down three million dollars. Speculation is being aroused as to which of the big steamers now on the way down will be the first to reach telegraphic communication. The Roanoke, belonging to the North American Transportation & Trading company, is the Garonne's most direct rival. She left Seattle for the north two days after the bigger steamer, but is faster. Should the Roanoke via Seattle will be the first point visited by the gold laden steamer from the mouth of the Yukon. If the Garonne outfoots her rival, then the first reliable news of Caps of gold will be given from this city, as Vancouver is her home port.

FOR SALE.—Lumber mill, with saw and door plant, and 5,000-acre timber limit, yielding 20,000 to 40,000 feet to the acre. Situate at Arrow Head. To close an account and will be sold cheap. Apply Robert Marshall, Columbia avenue, Rosland, B. C.

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Work has again Copper Bell claim, been let for 50 feet shaft, in which a g and galena ore was that the present con tent showing to ju ment. Walli Good progress is property. Drifting on mader is now being out that some satis will shortly resul working.