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TONNAGE WAS LARGE

Output For Last Week Over 1000 Tons Daily.

News of Rossland's Mines For Week Closing Yesterday.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

The output from the Rossland camp for the week ending last night is slightly below normal, largely due to decreased consumption at the Le Roi smelter, where the number of furnaces in operation has been reduced pending increased coke supplies from East Kootenay. The work of the mines has proceeded without cessation, and marked advances have been accomplished, particularly in connection with the smaller properties that are enlarging the scope of their operations.

Increased coke supplies will have an important effect on local production, and it is disappointing that the promised improvement in this direction does not seem to have materialized as yet. It will be noted that the Jumbo mine is forwarding a consignment of ore to the Trail smelter for experimental purposes. The I. X. L. is again to the front with a shipment to the Le Roi smelter, and while the Giant is absent from the shipping list for last week, teaming has been resumed and the company has placed an order for cars to be used regularly for an indefinite period. Much interest has naturally centered about the construction work at the Le Roi Two and White Bear mines, both of which have made good progress with building during the week.

THE OUTPUT.

Shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending August 1 and for the year to date are as follows:

	Week	Year
Le Roi.....	3320	106,185
Centre Star.....	1530	48,415
War Eagle.....	1080	34,835
Kootenay.....	420	4,185
Le Roi No. 2.....	630	15,545
Velvet.....	.....	3,275
Giant.....	150	698
Jumbo.....	.....	297
I. X. L.....	.....	70
White Bear.....	.....	20
O. K.....	.....	25
Homestake.....	.....	90
Totals.....	7770	216,762

AMONG THE MINES.

LE ROI—The past week brought forward practically nothing of special interest in connection with the big property. Production has been maintained at the usual standard, and development has been carried along as usual. Prospecting is actively under way on the lower levels. The drift on the 1200 is being continued steadily, and during the week work was resumed in the drift to the southwest from the shaft on the 1350 foot level. In addition a down hole is being bored with the diamond drill on the 1350 level.

CENTRE STAR-WAR EAGLE—The week passed uneventfully at the mines. Stopping, development and exploration have been carried ahead on conventional lines, and nothing of importance has developed, so far as is known. It is notable in connection with the Centre Star that the flow of water in the mine has been decreased to a remarkable extent since the unwatering of the Nickel Plate has been well under way. At the concentrating works in Silica, work has been proceeded with along the lines followed for several months past.

LE ROI TWO—Little of more than ordinary interest has transpired during the past week. In the Josie and No. 1 mines operations have been conducted as usual, and production has been practically at normal figures. No special change in this respect is anticipated until the expiry of the company's contract with the Northport smelter.

KOOTENAY—Work is now well under way on the fifth level of the mine. Following the remarkable success attained on the third, fourth and intermediate levels, the company has gone into the fifth level with a view to proving the continuation of the shoots of the mine, and in which success is almost assured by reason of the work already accomplished. Shipments for the month ending on Friday are slightly in excess of the previous month, but the output is limited by the transportation facilities available.

NICKEL PLATE—Unwatering has been completed down to the 600 level, and the balance of the work will continue but a short time. The management has not as yet indicated its policy on the completion of the pumping operations.

GREAT WESTERN—Tomorrow should see the commencement of actual pumping at the mine, the past week having been devoted to overhauling the boilers and setting up pumps. Sinking of the shaft is being utilized for the purpose of preventing the use of balling tanks as has been done at the Nickel Plate. As soon as the water is below the 100 level, the examination and sampling of the mine will be proceeded with.

SPITZEE—During the week the

work in the shaft preliminary to a start on the first level was completed, and the latter work is now under way. Interesting developments are expected in the course of a few weeks.

WHITE BEAR—General surface and underground work has been carried ahead steadily, but important developments are not expected pending the installation of the excellent mechanical plant ordered for the property. Within a few weeks it is expected that the continuation of the main shaft to the 1000 level will be well underway. The excavation for the spur to the Spokane Falls & Northern is well under way at the present time.

WEST END—It will be noted that the I. X. L. is again in the shipping list, a thirty-ton consignment having been sent to Trail for experimental purposes. It is believed that the exploratory work under way at the mine may result in interesting developments at a comparatively early date, as the result of the workings being pushed into the virgin ground east of the old levels and toward the O. K. mine.

JUMBO—Work has been conducted with the most satisfactory results during the week, and is to be maintained on its present basis until a contract is concluded for the sale of the ore to one or other of the smelters.

ST. JOSEPH'S—The report from Murphy creek is that work is being carried on continuously, and that the showing secured on the big free-milling vein is satisfactory to the management.

BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS.

The Granby smelter last week treated 8822 tons, making a total of 186,307 tons for the year.

	Week	Total
Granby.....	1370	197,730
Mother Lode.....	3100	58,830
Snowshoe.....	1560	32,772
B. C.....	600	18,475
Emma.....	.....	10,016
Sunset.....	256	8,481
Providence.....	.....	634
Oro Denoro.....	320	435
Atholstan.....	60	129
Elkhorn.....	.....	129
Totals.....	14,191	328,172

A WELCOME VISITOR

DR. ARMSTRONG, OF SPOKANE, AN OLD TIME RESIDENT OF THE CITY.

FORMER DAYS AND FORMER DWELLERS IN ROSSLAND RECALLED.

Dr. George S. Armstrong, of Spokane, an erstwhile and prominent medical practitioner of Rossland, is a visitor in the city as the guest of Dr. and Mrs. McKenzie.

Dr. Armstrong is now a resident of Spokane. He is a splendid type of good Canadianism, but has, nevertheless, made his home in the neighboring state of Washington.

During his residence there he has become famous in the state as a physician and a surgeon and served in many ways as an officer of the state in his medical capacity. As a member of the state board of health, Dr. Armstrong fulfilled a mission that was eminently satisfactory from the standpoint of a state official, as well as a good samaritan. His reports to his department were both concise and pertinent, and he earned for himself a reputation that made the state board of health famous during his regime.

Dr. Armstrong has large vested interests in Rossland that will make him a rich man in the near future. He is in the Golden City at the present time for the purpose of attending to them. It is probable that Dr. Armstrong will dispose of some valuable real estate before leaving the city.

In speaking of old-time conditions in the Rossland camp, Dr. Armstrong became reminiscent yesterday. Among other old-timers he referred to H. E. D. Merry, who was a prominent official of the B. A. C. in its palmy days. The doctor states that Mr. Merry, from whom he heard quite recently, is now manager of the Rex Mining and Smelting company at Avoca, Tasmania. The genial doctor has been in rapport with many other erstwhile Rosslanders since leaving the camp. He positively denies the rumor that John M. Burke is in an asylum. As a matter of fact, the doctor says Major Burke is enjoying the best of health at the present time in Nevada.

In his peregrinations north and south, Dr. Armstrong has met many old-timers of this camp, and has found a majority of them in prosperous circumstances. Nevertheless, he declares that each and all of them say that Rossland offers the best opportunities for profitable mining and that this camp will see many of its earlier inhabitants permanently located here again in the near future.

NOT JUST YET.
Too Soon for Statement as to Centre Star Concentrator.

A report has been in circulation for several days to the effect that the War Eagle-Centre Star companies had arrived at a definite decision in the matter of the erection of concentrating works.

THE BEST INVESTMENT IN ROSSLAND—Advertise in the Rossland Miner. 25 cents per page.

General News Of the Kootenay

EAST KOOTENAY.

A goodly number of Conservatives from Moyie, Marysville, Kimberly, Fort Steele, Perry creek and other points in the district met at Cranbrook last week for the purpose of forming a Conservative central association. Mr. Anderson, of Cranbrook, occupied the chair, and G. H. Thompson was elected secretary and treasurer. The election of officers resulted as follows: G. H. Thompson, Cranbrook, secretary-treasurer; C. H. Brown, Ryan, A. P. McDonald, Moyie, F. Brown, Palmer's Bar, James Ryan, Cranbrook, L. M. Mansfield, Marysville, Wm. Noble, Perry creek, J. A. Harvey, Fort Steele, N. Hanson, Wase, and A. B. Fenwick, Wardner, Vice-presidents. The report of that Perry creek branch, which was presented by one delegate each at the nominating convention to be held August 15. The nominating convention will be held at Cranbrook August 15th, place of meeting Wentworth hall at 8 p. m.

Two million feet of logs are now in the Kootenay river from points north of Fort Steele. The boom at Wardner is now attaining immense proportions, and contains over three million feet of logs. William Fleet Roberson, provincial mineralogist, recently visited the Ptarmigan and Paradise mines. At the Paradise there is over 50,000 tons of shipping ore in sight. He considers the Ptarmigan and Paradise as two of the big mines of the province. He was also surprised at the vast showing of ore in the Sullivan mine, and predicts a great future for this property under careful management.

At the North Star there is enough ore blocked out to keep the mine shipping steadily for six months. Haying is general in the Kootenay valley, but help very scarce, \$45 and \$50 per month and board being paid and men hard to get.

The bartenders of Fernie were ordered out on strike last week by officers of the bartenders' union. As a result the proprietors of several hotels are behind their own bars dispensing drinks. Some time ago the union instructed their secretary to advise the proprietors of a uniform rate of wages, \$70 per month with board and room, or \$90 a month without board and room, 10 hours to constitute a shift, and extra shifts \$3.50 each. Little or no notice was taken of the demand, and, true to their threat, the bartenders quit work.

It looks as though the coming political contest in Fernie riding will be between Harry Bentley of Fernie or J. A. Harvey of Fort Steele, Conservative; Macpherson, Socialist; Michel; and Dr. Wilson, Liberal, Morrissey Mines.

A. H. Reeder, a coal expert from Pennsylvania, has been employed by the C. P. R. to assist C. M. Hammett in reporting on the coal prospects up the Elk north of Michel. These gentlemen have been up in that neighborhood all week making a thorough examination. It is understood that the C. P. R. require an extensive and absolutely correct report before going ahead with the extensive development work on their coal claims, which has been contemplated for some time.

THE BOUNDARY.

Heavy shipments of horses are being made from South Yale to the Northwest Territories. August 8th is the date of the holding of primaries in the Great Forks riding for the election of delegates to a Conservative nominating convention to be held at Grand Forks Saturday, August 15th, at 2:30 p. m. At the various primaries the following delegates will be elected: Grand Forks, 6; Phoenix, 4; Columbia, 3; Cascade, 1; Gladstone, 1. The primaries will be held at the above named places.

The constitution and constitution of Grand Forks Harmony Lodge No. 37, A. F. & A. M., took place yesterday. Several grand lodge officials were at the Forks for that occasion, including the Rev. Ensor Sharp, M. A., rector of St. Paul's, Esquimaux, the grand master; James H. Schofield, D. D. G. M., mayor of Trail; Robert E. Brett, Esq., grand secretary (secretary Provincial Mining Association), and the Rev. E. P. Flewelling, past grand chaplain, rector of St. John's, Phoenix. There were a number of visitors from Rossland, Trail, Greenwood, Phoenix, Republic and Spokane.

General regret is expressed at the untimely death of J. H. Fox who recently succumbed to typhoid at Kalspell, Montana. Mr. Fox was a pioneer in the Boundary and owned a large interest in the Golden Eagle. He was a man of sterling worth. He hailed from Pennsylvania and lived in the west for twenty-five years.

Hon. E. J. Davis, commissioner of crown grants in the Ontario government, Charles C. Van Norman, Toronto, and W. B. Blakemore, M. E., coal expert, are examining the north fork coal fields. Messrs. Davis and Van Norman are directors of the company, Mr. Blakemore being their expert.

Last week as Lung Jim, a Chinese vegetable man, was returning from Midway to Boundary Falls he lost a purse containing about \$75. Robert Kerr of Boundary Falls found the purse and after inquiries returned the money on Monday to its owner, who was exceedingly pleased and grateful.

During the first six months of this year, according to the financial statement, the city of Grand Forks expended \$33,108.46.

C. A. Stoess and Captain Disbrow have returned from the North Fork to Grand Forks. They have completed the survey of the Franklin Camp road, and report that they obtained a very easy grade for the same.

Mamie Barrett, the eleven year old daughter of Miles Barrett, foreman at the Granby smelter, received a vicious bite from a rattlesnake while picking berries a few days ago on Observation mountain. Medical treatment saved her life. She is now progressing nicely.

THE STOCK MARKET

The local market has seldom seen a duller week than that just past. Sales were few and small in bulk, while there was no feature much worthy of note. Prices were very little changed. Giant sold most freely of the stocks, generally at a figure below 5. However, Lion was strong on account of the resumption of work at the mine. Of the silver-lead stocks, American Boy alone showed any degree of strength, though there were no marked declines.

Shipment of ore from the Oro Denoro are being increased. Last week's B. C. mine shipments were the last from that property, which has ceased operations. Early this month it is the intention to make an experimental shipment of five tons of ore from the Betts and Hesperus claims, on Harley mountain, now being developed by Chicago capital.

Coke shortage last week troubled the Greenwood smelter to such an extent that one furnace had to be blown out, leaving but one in commission there, as well as one at the Sunnyside smelter. The work of installing the new 150 horse power boiler, manufactured by the Jencks Machine Co., at the Snowshoe mine, has been completed, and it will be placed in commission as soon as the government inspector passes upon it.

THE SLOCAN.

The road to the Fisher Maiden, connecting the property with the Four-Mile road, is to be built at once, and the working force at the mine largely increased. Development near the workings abandoned under the old regime, has uncovered another rich vein of ore.

A meeting of mine owners and managers, and others interested on Silverlead mining, has been held at Sandon. Twenty-nine mining companies were represented, and three individual owners were present. The meeting was for the purpose of affecting a permanent organization, and was most harmonious throughout. John Keen was elected chairman and N. J. Cavanagh secretary of the meeting. The temporary organization was dissolved, and the report of the committee on permanent organization read and the constitution and by-laws adopted. The new organization has a president, five vice-presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, an executive committee of five and a selling committee of five. The selling committee is composed of the following: George Alexander, Byron N. White, Donald J. Forbes, A. C. Garde and W. E. Zwickley. This committee has exclusive control of the ore output of the mines of the association, to dispose of the same to the best advantage of its members, the smelter returns to be made direct to the producer of the ore.

THE LARDEAU.

A branch of the Conservative association was organized at Camborne last week. The attendance was not as large as it might have been owing to the short notice given. B. E. Drew was appointed chairman of the meeting, with G. R. Clark secretary. T. Taylor, ex-M. P. P., gave a short address, followed by local politicians, after which the following were elected officers of the local branch: James Lade, president; James Otto, first vice-president; J. A. Dargah, second vice-president; C. McDowell, secretary; an executive committee was also appointed.

One hundred and sixty-two applications to be placed on the voters' list have been taken so far at Camborne. It is estimated that before the list closes on August 14th the applications here will number 250.

In the No. 7 tunnel of the Eva it is expected that the No. 2 vein will be tapped within the next two weeks. Three shifts are at work in the No. 3 tunnel, which is opening up ore of a good grade.

A force of men have started work on the Boyd Lexington trail. The work comprises the removing of about 300 feet of a bluff, which has been impassable, necessitating the crossing and re-crossing of Fish river in order to visit properties situated on Boyd and Lexington creeks. The completion of this work will prove a great benefit to claim holders in that section.

Another mining deal of interest in the Trout Lake district was closed last week, when G. Stead, who owns the Lucky Jack, Horsehoe, Ethel, X Y Z, Blue Jay, and C. H., near Trout Lake, closed negotiations which had been pending for some months, for the purchase of the Alice property, owned by Abraham Brown and J. O. Piper, each holding a half interest. The price paid has not been divulged, but it is said to be a considerable amount, a first payment of which was made on the spot, the balance being due in equal payments at six and twelve months.

REVELSTOKE.

That the business of Revelstoke and vicinity is increasing rapidly is shown by the large increase in the customs and inland revenue receipts during the past three years at the local office. For the year ending June 30th, 1901, the receipts were \$10,000, and this amount was doubled the following year; but

the year ending June 30th last far exceeds past records and gives a return of nearly \$30,000. Of this splendid showing a considerable proportion was realized on mining machinery, the importation of which is in itself a grand indication of the advancement being made in the mining industry of the district. Probably the best evidence of the continued prosperity of Revelstoke is the decision of the Imperial Bank to at once proceed with the erection of a brick and stone block at the southeast corner of McKenzie avenue and First street, opposite the Molson's bank building.

FIRST DAY'S DOINGS

OUTLINE OF PROGRAM FOR THE FIRST DAY OF THE CARNIVAL.

CONDUCTOR IRVING TALKS ABOUT THE BIG CROWD COMING.

There will be a meeting of the lacrosse committee this afternoon at 4 o'clock. All members are particularly requested to be present, as business of importance will come up. James G. Irving, manager of the trainmen's picnic committee, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Irving has been doing splendid work in advertising the carnival throughout the Boundary country and Nelson district, and assures the carnival committee that the trainmen will bring a large number of visitors to Rossland on the 25th. The Brotherhood of Trainmen are advertising extensively, and the carnival committee are flooding the country with advertising matter also.

The following program has been mapped out for the first day, August 25th: 10 a. m. Grand parade. 11 a. m. The children's sports and parade; 100-yard open footrace. Band race; Chinamen's race, carrying baskets with 50 pounds of vegetables. 12 noon. Railway and smeltermen's tugs of war; pony race; milltiemen's race in heavy marching order; minor athletic sports. 2 p. m. Baseball and lacrosse at the ball grounds. 5 p. m. Drilling contests; machine, double and single hand. 5:30 p. m. Hub and hub race. 6 p. m. Free for all horse race. Between heats the famous guileless pacer "Doctor M" will give speed exhibitions. 7 p. m. Prospectors' race; carrying pack with pick, shovel and fryingpan attached. 8 p. m. Farce comedy at opera house.

10 p. m. Complimentary dances at opera house and Miners' Union hall; boxing contests at the rink; fireworks on Mount Roberts. There will be no lost time during the day, as the committee have such an extensive program to pull off that events will follow each other rapidly. An equally strong program is held over for the second day—including wet test, gentlemen's saddle races, 220-yard footrace, etc., etc.

Al Davis, manager of the baseball team, is recipient of a letter from Colville stating that their team is coming here to play, and that they are bringing a big crowd with them. Similar advices are to hand from Northport. The success of the carnival is undoubtedly assured.

RAN THE RIVER.

Mine Officials' Adventurous Trip Down Brawling Columbia. T. G. Blackstock, managing director of the War Eagle-Centre Star companies, will have an interesting tale of adventure on the mighty waters of the Columbia river to relate to his Toronto friends on his return to Ontario's Queen City. He has just returned, with Edmund B. Kirby, general manager of the companies, from a fishing trip to the Slocan Crossing pools, in the course of which a number of magnificent trout were landed. Instead of taking the conventional means of reaching Trail from West Robson, the two gentlemen essayed the river trip. A boat was procured at Robson, and the twenty-five mile run made in rapid time. The river is high at the present time, and sweeps along with majestic force. To careful boatmen there is no special danger in the trip, but at many points the current is so swift and strong that an error of judgment in handling a small craft would mean certain shipwreck and possible serious results. No such accident marred Messrs. Blackstock and Kirby's trip, however, and both enjoyed the experience immensely.

SCHWAB IS OUT.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—The resignation of Charles M. Schwab as president of the United States Steel Corporation was presented to the directors this afternoon and was accepted. W. E. Cory was elected president of the corporation. Mr. Schwab said his resignation was due to ill health. He says he will remain a director of the company.

MR. BAYNE VERY LOW.

After repeated telegraphic messages to northern points with a view to ascertaining the condition of George H. Bayne, managing director of the Homestake mine, Alfred McMillan succeeded in eliciting the following reply yesterday from a well known Ferguson mining man: "Bayne very low. Have hopes. Writing. (Signed) G. B. BATHO." The intelligence causes Mr. Bayne's Rossland friends the greatest anxiety, but it is hoped that his magnificent physique will pull him through the after effects of his terrible experience with the silver-upt bear.

THE MASTER MECHANIC'S PURE TAR SOAP

heals and softens the skin, while promptly cleansing it of grease, oil, rust, etc. Invaluable for mechanics, farmers, sportsmen. Free sample on receipt of 2c for postage. Albert Toilet Soap Co., Mfrs., Montreal.

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consulted, "We days so close fire and stew saml Force, a bowl m, food to fit our s cool," "Sunny Jim."

water.

FRASER RIVER AND GOLD FIELDS, LAM IN LIQUIDATION.

properties to be Sold by Private Pursuant to the Directions of the Liquidators.

Mining Division—Group (better known as the Group), comprising nine mining claims, or freehold mineral claims, or freehold situated on Great Northern, above Ferguson, B. C., 112 two blocks of land, 1164 situated just west of owners, and Lot 2448, situated two miles north-easterly from the North Fork of river, at the foot of Gass mountain, situated on Gass mountain. Three blocks of land in all, about 680 acres. Mining claims, together with necessary equipment thereon. District—Crown-vested mineral claim, crown-vested to what is known as "Camp," and the "Queen of mineral claim, crown-vested to what is known as "Camp."

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Notice.

See mineral claim, situate in Creek Division of West Kootenay, Where located: On the between Murphy and Rock notice that I, N. F. Townsend, agent for Mrs. Alwilda Simpson miner's certificate No. 10, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder a certificate of improvement for the purpose of obtaining a grant of the above claim. Further take notice that action, section 37, must be commenced the issuance of such certificate on the 27th day of July, A. D.

N. F. TOWNSEND.

Notice.

See mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division West Kootenay district. Where located: On Lookout mountain, Rossland. Notice that I, Charles Robert N. free miner's certificate No. 10, acting as agent for John Well, miner's certificate No. 359,164, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvement for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the claims. Further take notice that action, section 37, must be commenced the issuance of such certificate on the 10th day of July, A. D. 1903.

Notice.

See fractional mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 1 1/2 miles east of Rossland, bounded by the Caro, 5th, Antelope and Venus mines. Notice that I, Thomas S. Gilfree miner's certificate No. 10, acting as agent for Andrew Vand, London, England, free miner's certificate No. 357,144, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvement for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. Further take notice that action, section 37, must be commenced the issuance of such certificate on the 11th day of May, 1903.

THEO. S. GILMOUR.

CONSERVATIVE RALLY

IMPORTANT RESOLUTION ON FISCAL SYSTEM DISCUSSED IN DETAIL.

EXCELLENT PROGRESS REPORTED IN THE REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

(From Saturday's Daily.) There was a fair attendance at the regular weekly meeting of the Rossland Conservative Association last night, and considerable enthusiasm was manifested.

The reports of various committees showed that excellent progress has been made in placing names on the voters' list. Additional committees were appointed to continue the good work, and it is now confidently anticipated that the association will be responsible for at least three-fourths of all the names that will be registered at the closing of the lists.

Several other committees were appointed to proceed with effective campaign work on general lines. All members of new committees will be duly notified by Secretary Bowman of the day and hour set for meetings.

There will be an important committee meeting tonight at the headquarters. The following resolution came up for discussion:

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

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

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

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

Considerable time and close attention was given to the discussion of the resolution in all its details and ramifications. The mover showed to the satisfaction of all present that the rearrangement of the present fiscal system of the province on the lines suggested in the resolution would result in a surplus instead of a deficit for the provincial treasury, and that this would give an excellent opportunity for the reduction of the present taxes on the masses and the abrogation of the iniquitous 2 per cent mining tax.

After some discussion it was decided to postpone the final passage of the resolution until the next meeting. A resolution was passed at the suggestion of Mr. Race authorizing the secretary to immediately communicate with the president of the Provincial Mining association, which has a membership of about 4000 people, mostly electors, setting forth the desires of the local Conservative association to do all in its power to advance the objects and aims of the Provincial Mining association.

An interesting program was arranged for discussion at the next meeting of the association, and the proceedings then terminated.

THE CASE EXPLODED

NO EVIDENCE TO CONVICT RUMPLE BROTHERS AND HEPP.

TWO CHARGES WITHDRAWN—OTHERS PROMPTLY DISMISSED.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

When the case against the Rumble Brothers and Hepp was called at the police court yesterday morning the matter dissolved without any evidence to convict being developed. The charges against Arthur Rumble and Charles Hepp were withdrawn, and after taking the evidence against Louis and Howard Rumble the magistrate discharged both men. J. A. Macdonald appeared for the defendants.

Nothing was said about the diamond robbery with which the men were supposed to be connected. The two Rumbles were charged with receiving stolen goods, the articles in question being merchandise which the prosecution sought to prove had been taken from Bammett's store. The evidence did not even disclose that Bammett could identify the articles as having come from his premises, and the men swore all the goods were bought in Spokane. In view of this an acquittal was entered.

It seems that on the night of the diamond burglary some one living in the vicinity of the Scott place saw a man coming from the house and thought this man was one of the party arrested. The evidence was apparently not reliable, as it was not produced in court.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

The Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets suggest refund the money if it fails. E. W. Grove's signature box. 25 cents.

EXTEND CORDIAL INVITATION

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The text of the resolution passed unanimously by the executive of the Rossland branch of the Provincial Mining Association in respect to the proposed provincial executive meeting here is as follows:

"Moved by A. C. Galt, seconded by A. E. Barker:

That whereas a large celebration is to be held at Rossland on the 25th and 26th days of August, 1908, and whereas many important questions are awaiting the attention of the executive of the Provincial Mining Association of British Columbia.

And whereas in the opinion of the Rossland branch association it is desirable that the said executive should, from time to time, hold some of its meetings in the interior of British Columbia.

And whereas Rossland offers exceptional advantages to members of the executive to inform themselves concerning the conditions affecting metalliferous mining and the need of reform in the laws relating to mining and the taxation of mines.

Be it resolved that the Rossland branch respectfully requests the president of the Provincial Mining Association of British Columbia to call a meeting of the executive at the said Rossland to be held in Rossland, commencing on Monday the 24th day of August, 1908."

INDIGESTION'S SLAVE

IS SALLOW, LANGUID, THIN AND DOWN HEARTED.

TROUBLED WITH WIND, BILIOUSNESS, HEADACHES AND SHARP INTERNAL PAINS.

No one deserves more sympathy than the sufferer from indigestion. A light meal lies like lead upon his chest—a good meal gives him hours of agony. The dyspeptic's slavery can't end until he builds up his system with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They strengthen the stomach, stimulate the liver and sharpen the appetite. There never was a case of indigestion that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills could not cure if given a fair trial. Proof of this is given by Mr. Gustave Emond, of St. Jerome, Que., who says:

"I suffered from dyspepsia for five years. The agony I endured at times can only be understood by those who are similarly afflicted. I tried a number of home remedies and advertised medicines but they did not help me. Then I decided to see the family doctor, and I took for a long time the medicine he gave me, but the results were no better; in fact I was getting worse. Some days I could not eat at all, and when I did eat the meal was followed by violent pains and cramps in my stomach that made life almost unendurable. Then I stopped the doctor and again began trying other medicines, but the result was always the same—no cure, and scarcely even temporary relief. And so the trouble went on for years, until last winter I met a friend from St. Scholastique who asked me if I had ever tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I had not, but after some persuasion consented to do so. This was the beginning of the end of my trouble. Before the first box of pills was finished the pains after eating were less severe. I continued the pills for a couple of months and at the end of that time I was wholly cured. I can eat as hearty a meal now as anyone, and never have the slightest return of the pains and cramps that so long had made life miserable. I have proved that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will cure when all other medicines fail, and I would strongly urge other dyspeptics to give them a trial."

These pills will cure all troubles due to poor blood, or weakened nerves, such as neuralgia, rheumatism, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, heart weakness, and the ailments that burden the lives of so many women. If you do not find these pills at your dealer's send direct to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., and the pills will be sent post paid at 50 cents per box or six boxes for \$2.50. Do not let any dealer persuade you to take something else.

A resolution was passed at the suggestion of Mr. Race authorizing the secretary to immediately communicate with the president of the Provincial Mining association, which has a membership of about 4000 people, mostly electors, setting forth the desires of the local Conservative association to do all in its power to advance the objects and aims of the Provincial Mining association.

An interesting program was arranged for discussion at the next meeting of the association, and the proceedings then terminated.

THE CASE EXPLODED

NO EVIDENCE TO CONVICT RUMPLE BROTHERS AND HEPP.

TWO CHARGES WITHDRAWN—OTHERS PROMPTLY DISMISSED.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

When the case against the Rumble Brothers and Hepp was called at the police court yesterday morning the matter dissolved without any evidence to convict being developed. The charges against Arthur Rumble and Charles Hepp were withdrawn, and after taking the evidence against Louis and Howard Rumble the magistrate discharged both men. J. A. Macdonald appeared for the defendants.

Nothing was said about the diamond robbery with which the men were supposed to be connected. The two Rumbles were charged with receiving stolen goods, the articles in question being merchandise which the prosecution sought to prove had been taken from Bammett's store. The evidence did not even disclose that Bammett could identify the articles as having come from his premises, and the men swore all the goods were bought in Spokane. In view of this an acquittal was entered.

It seems that on the night of the diamond burglary some one living in the vicinity of the Scott place saw a man coming from the house and thought this man was one of the party arrested. The evidence was apparently not reliable, as it was not produced in court.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

The Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets suggest refund the money if it fails. E. W. Grove's signature box. 25 cents.

SLEPT ON THE GOLD

HOW NEAR TELEGRAPH LINE—LINEMEN WERE TO A BED OF WEALTH.

POPULAR CREEK CLAIMS ARE GUARDED BY ARMED PATROLS.

(From Saturday's Daily.) NELSON, July 31.—Prospectors coming in for supplies to this city from the new gold fields at Poplar creek report that there is increased excitement there. Many of the claim owners have taken in mortars and pestles, with which they are extracting good values from their ore.

On four of the claims armed guards patrol the workings day and night to prevent pilferers carrying off golden nuggets. Pieces of ore the size of a man's hand and containing up to \$300 in gold have been taken out of the Lucky Jack claim.

A peculiar circumstance in connection with the strike is that the linemen engaged in repairing the telegraph wires through the Lardeau country over the spot where the first discovery on the Lucky Jack was made. Within a fortnight after the linemen had left, Hamilton, Morgan and O'Connor, three prospectors, located the claim. For that two weeks linemen slept over a bed of gold.

At the lumber mills, railway camps, etc., it is now very difficult to obtain workmen, the laborers continually deserting and striking off for the gold fields.

PROGRESSIVE WHIST.

A Very Pleasant Party Under Knights of Pythias Auspices.

(From Saturday's Daily.) Progressive whist under the auspices of Rossland Lodge No. 21, Knights of Pythias, attracted over 100 people to Odd Fellows' hall last night.

The function was a somewhat unusual departure for a local fraternity, but its popularity and success were unbounded. Ten games were played in the rubber, and prizes were won by the following: Gentlemen's first prize by Miss Lottie Boyd, who essayed a male part for the evening to fill a table; ladies' prize by Mrs. George Knudson, who cut cards to determine a tie with Mrs. T. M. Graham; gentlemen's "booby" prize by George Sutherland, who was awarded a jack-in-box; ladies' "booby" prize by Miss Hilda Adams, who captured the premium after cutting cards with Mrs. E. J. Grant and Miss Smith to decide the winner.

At midnight light refreshments were served in the supper room. Dancing disposed of the remainder of the evening most enjoyably. The music was under the direction of Herr Paul Kauffmann, which is a guarantee that it was excellent. Among those present were: Mesdames A. T. Collis, E. Marsh, K. D. Stinson, R. Buchanan, Wm. Verran, Thomas Embleton, C. A. Berry, Reeves, Dandurand, W. J. Prest, A. Desllets, Villeneuve, Fred Girard, C. Armstrong, R. Arthur, Hawley, Boroman, Wm. Roberts, S. Brokenshire, George Sutherland, Johnson, Ed. Schott, B. Buchanan, J. H. Annable, Emmick, Dan Thomas, E. J. Grant, Charles Coffin, T. M. Graham, George Knudson, Yarrow, Paul Wilcox.

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THE VITALITY OF INFANTS AND young children is at its lowest point during the hot weather. More children die in summer than at any other season. This is because the little ones suffer more from bowel troubles, are nervous, weak, sleepless and irritable. Prompt action often saves a valuable little life, and troubles of this kind can be promptly met and cured by giving the little one Baby's Own Tablets, which should be kept in every home ready for emergencies. These Tablets specially relieve, and promptly cure all stomach, bowel and other hot weather ailments, and give sound refreshing sleep. Mrs. P. Ferguson, 105 Mansfield street, Montreal, says: "My baby was attacked with dysentery, and was hot and feverish. I gave him Baby's Own Tablets and they promptly cured him. Before this he had been rather delicate, but since using the Tablets he has been better and stronger in every way."

These Tablets can be given with an absolute certainty that they will do good to all children from a new born upwards. They contain no opiate or poisonous "soothing" stuff. Sold by medicine dealers or mailed at 25 cents a box by writing direct to Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

IN PHOENIX MINES.

Graby Soon to Ship More—Snowshoe's Big Boiler.

PHOENIX, Aug. 1.—It is the expectation to have to blow out the four furnaces at the Snowshoe smelter in the course of a week or two, for the purpose of connecting up the two additional furnaces, the installation of which is now nearly completed. To do this the smelter may be closed down ten days, during which time no ore can be shipped. Superintendent Williams, of the Graby mines, states, however, that he will not find it useful to reduce the

force of men now at work in the properties, as he has almost unlimited room in the immense stoves for the storage of broken ore, besides other work in the way of development to be done. When shipments are resumed for the six furnaces, they will be at the rate of over 2000 tons each 24 hours.

At the Snowshoe mine the work of installing the 150 horse power boiler that recently arrived has been completed. This is the largest single boiler yet put in use by any mine in the Bonjard, and will be used as soon as it is inspected by the government inspector, probably some time next week. The Snowshoe, besides its steam power for the compressor, also uses electricity for the hoist.

THE YMIR MINE.

Liquidator of the London and B. C. Goldfields Sends Out Circular.

A circular sent out by the liquidator of the London and B. C. Goldfields, owning the control of numerous British Columbia mining ventures, says: "Development at the Ymir has disclosed ore of much higher grade at the fourth, fifth and sixth levels than has lately been treated. Considerable ore reserves have now been added to the mine, but the benefit of the richer ore will not be felt until the end of September. News from the Kettle River Power works is satisfactory, and negotiations are almost completed for a further large sale of power. A small revenue is being received from the Enterprise, which is at present being worked on tribute."

GOODS ARE THERE

CANADIAN PACIFIC OFFICIAL SAYS POPLAR CREEK IS GOOD.

REPORTS THEREFROM ARE NOT EXAGGERATED—REVERSE THE CASE.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

Otto H. Becker, travelling freight agent of the Canadian Pacific, goes on record that the reports as to the richness of recent Poplar creek strikes are not exaggerated. Personally he inspected the Lucky Jack property and adjoining claims, and testifies to the wonderful richness of the ore. Of course no one knows whether the values go deep, but there is enough in sight at the present moment to make the discovery phenomenal.

"Mr. Becker shows a sample of ore that would run \$10,000 to the ton, and says he could have got a hundred specimens many times richer had the Lucky Jack owners turned him loose for a few minutes.

Some skepticism has been expressed as to the accuracy of the reports emanating from the Poplar creek country, but Mr. Becker says most of them are true, and that the whole story has not been told yet. He claims that if a man really expressed the opinions that he forms on the ground after examining the vein on the Lucky Jack, for instance, no one would believe the stories and the narrator might even be disposed to doubt his own impressions after a few dozen people had criticised his statements. The Lucky Jack people have not mined a ton of ore as yet. They are content with opening up the ledge and taking out pieces of ore here and there. The shotgun guard story is corroborated, but Mr. Becker says the Lucky Jack people have lost hundreds of dollars' worth of ore through the abstraction of specimens attracting the notice of visitors.

The bonanza property is situated only seventy-five feet from the Canadian Pacific railroad. Incidentally it may be stated that at the present moment no fewer than thirty-seven cars of mining machinery are en route to Lardeau properties over the Canadian Pacific.

THE LATEST MERGER.

Rossland Sunday Schools Unite for Picnic on Thursday.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The spirit of unionism has reached the Rossland churches at last. On Thursday the Sunday schools of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist churches will combine for their annual picnic, and the point selected for picnic grounds is China creek, an old and popular resort for such purposes. The holiday-makers leave the Canadian Pacific depot on Thursday morning at 8 o'clock sharp, and will leave China creek on the return trip at 4 p. m. The fare for adults is \$1, and children not identified with any of the Sunday schools specified will be conveyed at 50 cents for the round trip. Pupils of the three schools are free, and tickets must be obtained from the respective superintendents. Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy the outing with the juveniles.

A TURF SUSPENSION.

CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—The racing stable of C. Lind, San Francisco, and Jockey Treanor were suspended at the Harlem track today. The cause of the official action was the suspicious looking ride put up on Orin in the fifth race by Treanor, the Lind mare finishing third to Postmaster Wright and McGee.

HELD UP AND ROBBED.

A Garvey, who lives on Fourth avenue, was held up by a masked highwayman about 11 o'clock last night, and robbed of a valuable package. The holdup coolly informed Mr. Garvey that he did not want his money or his watch, but was determined to have the package, as he knew it contained two bottles of C. P. Doell's Cliff hotel beer, and he just couldn't go to sleep without it.

SHORTAGE OF SHEEP.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—There is a serious shortage of sheep in New Zealand, partly owing to over exportation and partly to severe snowstorms, according to a Times dispatch from Wellington.

TREASON IN SERBIA.

BELGRADE, Aug. 3.—A Serbian officer has been arrested here on the charge of giving the mobilization plans to a foreign power. It is believed that he has several accomplices. A thorough investigation is proceeding.

IN THE FEILD OF SPORT...

(From Sunday's Daily.)

The Rossland ball team leaves this morning for Northport to cross bats with the Smelter City nine. The Golden City team will be as follows: Holland, catcher; Costello, pitcher; Votaw, first base; McCreary, second base; Peacock, shortstop; Gonina, third base; Roof, left field; Sheere, centre field; Lintner, right field; McBride, spare.

It will be noted that the nine lacks several of the stand-bys, notably the Gibsons and Leighton. McCreary at second will strengthen the nine substantially, and much is expected from Peacock, a new man who plays the field or pitches cleverly.

THE RIFLE.

It is suggested that toward the end of the shooting season—say late in September—the local rifle associations should combine for a match in which a series of contests will be given, open to members of both organizations. This would fittingly wind up the season and

afford the marksmen an opportunity to become even better acquainted in a competitive sense. Interest in the pastime would certainly be materially stimulated.

THE CARNIVAL.

The program for the Summer Carnival gives athletes in almost every line an opportunity to extend themselves. The foot-runners will divide about \$100 among them, and in addition all the sprinters will run on one or other of the competing horse teams, so their chances of prize money are further improved. The rock-drillers divide \$375, and the tug-of-war men split purses of \$300. For the horses there is \$250, and it is hoped that some of the fast ones from the outside will be encouraged to enter. The Rossland city horse team will be the fastest that has represented the city in several seasons. Its first workout will be tomorrow evening on Second avenue about 7 o'clock.

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CITY NEWS

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Thomas Long, city inspector, is on the warpath for dog taxes. A considerable number of licenses have been sold already, and all owners of canines are being interviewed on the subject. It is probable that the number of dogs in the city at present is lower than for a long time.

Major VanBuskirk, city engineer, has a force of men repairing the tanks in the water system. This step is taken to conserve the water should a dry period ensue. At present the water supply from Stoney creek alone is unusually abundant, all the tanks having an excessive overflow. The fire on Sunday morning did not take up the overflow from the tanks.

The school trustees met yesterday at the city hall. Only the chairman, H. Ferry McCraney, and Trustee Charles E. Gillan were in attendance. It was decided to appoint Miss Lyons, late of Vernon, to the third division in the Central school, vice Miss Blair resigned. It was also concluded to accept the resignation of Miss VanSickle from the teaching staff.

A number of residents are behind in the matter of water rates, and the corporation has in contemplation the placing of overdue accounts in the hands of a collector. It has also been suggested that an excellent way of promoting punctuality in this direction would be to issue monthly accounts in the same manner as the light company. If repeated accounts are ignored the city has the alternative of shutting off the water, which would usually be effective in securing payment.

Color-Sergeant Robert Smith, of the Rossland company R. M. R., has returned from the coast, where he participated in the B. C. Rifle association's annual matches. He was successful in securing a slice of the prize money. In the same matches Captain Hart-McHarg, formerly of Rossland, caught a place on the provincial team for the Dominion Rifle association matches at Ottawa.

(From Friday's Daily.) Tomorrow sees the opening of the legal long vacation in British Columbia. For the next two months the registry offices at the court house will close at 2 p. m. instead of 4 o'clock.

This is the last day of the Canadian Pacific and Spokane Falls & Northern city ticket offices. The business of both departments will be transacted hereafter at the respective depots.

The Giant mine resumes teaming ore from the mine today. For several days no ore has been brought down, but shipments are to be resumed forthwith.

The Rumpfle brothers and Hepp were arranged in the police court yesterday charged with receiving stolen property, and were remanded till today. No trace has been found of the diamonds alleged to have been stolen from Sid Scott.

The Jumbo mine has commenced shipping ore to the Trail smelter. The consignments going forward this week are only for experimental purposes, the company not having concluded a contract for the treatment of its product.

The officials of the Red Mountain depot are worried continually by the pranks of small children who play about the yards, mounting cars in motion and standing still, getting in the way of handcars and otherwise amusing themselves in a fashion that endangers their lives to a degree that the youngsters are quite incapable of understanding. The railroad men believe that the children have lucky stars, as the absence of serious or fatal accidents to date can scarcely be explained under other circumstances. It will be remembered that last summer a child's life was only saved by the superb nerve of an engineer. Parents are earnestly requested to keep their little ones away from the yards, and the railway men desire to disseminate a warning as to the terribly dangerous nature of the fun which so many children are now enjoying.

The Elmore oil concentration process has not hitherto been tried in South Africa, but arrangements have now been completed for the sale of the South African patents to a syndicate formed by the two firms, S. Neumann & Co. and Werther, Bert & Co. The latter firm owns a quarter interest in the patents of all the world. A complete plant is being sent out to Rhodesia, where experiments will be made on copper ores and on low grade refractory gold ores.

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The statement is made that there will be no change day holidays at the Le Roi mine during August. This action is taken to make up for the two days that the mine will lose during the summer carnival.

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At a meeting of the creditors of the Hamon-Bisson estate yesterday the offer of Hunter Bros. for the stock of the estate was accepted. Hunter Bros. will remove the goods to their own establishment, in the course of the next few days.

Director Maclean of the Velvet Mines is expected to reach Rossland on Tuesday next for the purpose of going into the affairs of the Velvet with Manager Gray. Mr. Maclean is also a director of the Rossland-Kootenay company, and entertained General Manager Thompson on the occasion of the latter's visit to England in the present year. During his stay in the city Mr. Maclean will probably be the guest of Mr. Thompson.

For the benefit of H. T. Ceperley, who is a member of the Mainland Board of Fire Underwriters, Mayor Dean had a test of the water service at the Nickel Plate headworks yesterday. With the city service only the pressure was feeble, but when the Le Roi system was turned on, as is possible since the recent connections were made, a stream was developed that went clear over the highest section of the fall shafthouse. The advantage accruing to the city as the result of the connection was amply demonstrated.

The feast of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus, was commemorated at the Sacred Heart church last evening by an address on the life of the saint. Rev. Father Caldwell, S. J., gave a brief but interesting outline of the life of Ignatius, nobleman, courtier, soldier and priest, concluding with some lessons from the career of the saint. The latter were delivered with convincing earnestness and eloquence. Today at 9 o'clock the requiem mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Leo XIII will be celebrated.

The latest addition to the correspondence about the baby show for the summer carnival comes in the following form to Judge Nelson: "As you are aware, the prizes offered are nearly all for the men, I am strongly in favor of giving the babies a show, and would suggest a first and second prize to the best looking baby under one year, and same to those between one and two years. And I would suggest as judges Mayor Dean, Judge Nelson and a lady to be selected by these two. You can put my name down for \$5 to be used as a first or second prize."

(From Friday's Daily.) The choir of the Sacred Heart church will render special music at high mass tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock. The feature of the musical service will be the rendition of "Rosemary's Mass in G." Following the Kyrie and Gloria is the Credo, "Credo in Unum," by Mrs. Reulle, "Et Incarnatus Est," by Miss Edna Honey, and "Et in Unum," by Frank M. Moore. During the offertory Mr. Moore will sing a bass solo, "Veni Creator," by Himmel. In the course of the Sanctus Eugene Croteau will sing the tenor solo "Benedictus," and Mrs. Dan Thomas will render the contralto solo "Agnus Dei."

Tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock several hundred Rosslanders will leave by special train over the Canadian Pacific for a delightful day's outing on the Columbia river and at Deer Park, where several hours will be spent. The special train leaves the upper depot at 7:45 o'clock. The depot ticket office will not be open in the morning, but tickets may be had from members of the Knights of the Golden Horseshoe and at the city C. P. R. office, which will be open all today and evening. The excursionists take the steamer Kootenay at Trail, and returning will be brought to Trail, whence a special train will bring the picnicers to Rossland about 9 o'clock. The steward's department on the Kootenay will make extraordinary preparations to cater for the big crowd, special cuisine and prompt service being guaranteed for the day. The meals will be served at the usual price of 75 cents. Music will be aboard ship for dancing, and every precaution has been taken to contribute to the success of the affair and the comfort of the excursionists.

(From Sunday's Daily.) J. Stilwell Clute has been retained as counsel for the crown in the Odams case before the police court tomorrow morning.

At the police court yesterday morning Mrs. O'Reilly was the complainant against Alice Trombley for larceny. The case was dismissed.

The executive committee of the summer carnival meets tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in the central committee rooms, to discuss matters of importance and to make arrangements for the celebration.

Communications have been received here chronicling the successful flotation of the fund to erect a memorial to the late General Sir Hector Macdonald, and soliciting subscriptions in Rossland. Contributions to the fund may be forwarded to the Bank of Scotland, 19 Bishopsgate Within, London, E. C.

Some members of the Civilians' Rifle association had a practice shoot at their range yesterday. The light was not of the best, though conditions were otherwise favorable. A. B. Barker succeeded in scoring 90, the highest figure yet reached by any of the civilians.

A. J. Macmillan called here yesterday that business would detain him in England longer than he had expected. Much to his regret, therefore, he will be unable to represent the Rossland board of trade at the chambers of commerce congress in Montreal, as previously arranged. The date of Mr. Macmillan's arrival here is yet uncertain.

George Shearing, who has discharged the duties of baggagemaster at the Spokane Falls & Northern depot with marked satisfaction to the public, has decided to sever his connection with the company for the purpose of accepting a

post at the West Kootenay Power & Light company's sub-station. The change takes effect in the next few days.

There will certainly be a baby show at the summer carnival. The best prize yet offered has been presented to the committee by A. C. Foster, a popular commercial man representing the Claus Shear company of Fremont, Ohio, who has donated a cabinet of shears and scissors valued at \$15 for the "finest baby in the show." Mr. Foster's company manufacture a famous line of scissors, razors and pocket-knives, and the cabinet to be competed for at the summer carnival baby show will contain samples of the finest product of the manufacturer. The prize will be presented through Messrs. Hunter Bros., who give an assurance that it will be on hand here in ample time for the celebration.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) The Odams case was called at the police court yesterday morning and adjourned till this morning. J. Stilwell Clute will appear for the crown, with A. H. MacNeill, K. C., for the defence.

A cement walk is to be constructed about the new federal block. Work was started yesterday. The walk will be built by day's labor under the direction of Robert W. Grigor, supervising architect.

The regular meeting of the Rossland board of trade takes place tomorrow night at the board of trade rooms. A variety of matters of interest and importance will be brought before the meeting.

Several telegrams were forwarded to Ferguson last night by Rossland friends anxious to learn the condition of George H. Bayne, who is in the hospital suffering from his encounter with a silver-tip bear. Replies are expected today.

Alfred Parr of Ymir returned yesterday morning to Ymir after having spent several days here. He is the Liberal candidate for the Trail-Ymir riding, and during his visit here interviewed all the voters in the riding specified residing on the outskirts of Rossland.

The Le Roi Mining company, through S. F. Parrish, general manager, has subscribed \$200 to the Summer Carnival fund. This is a generous contribution, and with the other sums subscribed by the local mining companies, indicates the keen interest taken by the big corporations in the prosperity of the community.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) The Sunday school children of St. George's church requested to meet at the Great Northern depot on Thursday morning at 10:30 a. m., when Rev. W. J. Wood will take them on an enjoyable picnic to Sheep Creek. This is an event that has been looked upon with little anticipation by the children, and it is certain that Mr. Wood's kindly forethought will be much appreciated.

Rossland's baseball nine is suffering from a streak of bad luck. At Northport on Sunday the Golden City aggregation had the local nine "on toast," when a youngster put on the Northport team for the day to fill up was given a free pass to first bag by the Rossland pitcher, who was ashamed to pitch to the lad. Unfortunately a string of heavy hitters came to the plate immediately afterwards, with the result that Northport piled up three runs to Rossland's two.

The Rossland school board has offered the post of high school principal here to Alexander J. Love, M. A., at present principal of the Kaslo public school. Mr. Love has his university degree as an evidence of his scholarship, and splendid recommendations from numerous quarters as to his practical efficiency. Principal McTaggart has definitely resigned his post here to return to the university, which is doubly regretted in view of his unparalleled record as a principal in connection with the recent provincial examination, when 100 per cent of his pupils passed.

Conductor James G. Irving, of the Canadian Pacific has returned to the city and will resume his duties on the Rossland-Nelson run forthwith. He is chairman of the railway men's committee in connection with the summer carnival, and is enthusiastic on the subject. The railway men are commencing to boom the event in earnest, details of which will be presented to the local committee today. "We'll give the railroad all the business it can handle," is Mr. Irving's succinct estimate of the success the affair will attain.

There was an editor. His service was born of courage. His work was sturdy and true. The public feared him. In course of time his reign drew to a close. The state was grateful for his superior service; the city bowed low. Then the politician laughed gleefully, rubbing his hands. They were very dirty. But his pockets were full.

There was a reformer whom the people scorned and spat upon. Breathing from the dust. Multitudes stood about his grave, frame. Sneeringly they said: "He would have destroyed our property and our wealth; he would have abolished law and religion. He came to rob us of our liberty, perverting our minds with false doctrines."

(From Friday's Daily.) H. T. Ceperley, of Vancouver, is in the city. Mr. Ceperley will appraise the loss in the Banner fire.

W. S. Swain, the well known private detective of Spokane, is registered at the Hotel Allan.

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(From Saturday's Daily.) Arthur H. Dutton has returned to the city after spending several months in eastern and intermediate points.

Campbell Sweeney of Vancouver, inspector of B. C. branches of the Bank of Montreal, is in the city.

Walter H. Morton, who has been local manager of the Jencks Machine company for some time, leaves on Wednesday next for Montreal, where he will report to the company's head office.

Melville H. Stephens, local manager of the Spokane Falls & Northern telegraph, returned to the city yesterday from a trip to the coast.

(From Sunday's Daily.) William Thompson, general manager of the Rossland-Kootenay company, is having a matched board platform, 40 by 60, laid down at his residence for the social function on Tuesday evening. A large number of invitations are out for the affair, and if the weather is unpropitious for out-door dancing, the program will be proceeded within-doors.

Otto H. Becker, traveling freight agent of the Canadian Pacific, was in the city yesterday.

Edmund B. Kirby, general manager of the War Eagle-Centre Star companies, left yesterday for Slovan Crossing for a few days' fishing. He was accompanied by T. G. Blackstock, managing director.

Rev. Joseph McNeill, of Victoria, has arrived here to take the pulpit of St. Andrew's church for a couple of Sundays. He is a brother of Rev. John McNeill, a famous London Presbyterian divine.

D. Jay Tuttle, who has visited recently in the city for a week or so, left yesterday morning for Portland.

George Tippet left yesterday morning for Butte.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Dr. Armstrong of Spokane, formerly a well known Rossland practitioner, is in the city on a visit.

Rossland Lodge No. 11, Knights of the Golden Horseshoe, will give a garden party and hop at the Rossland-Kootenay grounds on the 14th inst. The function will be a strictly invitation affair.

Francis E. Armstrong left last night for East Kootenay on business. En route he will see to the posting of the Summer Carnival posters.

John F. Procter, who has been in charge of the Canadian Pacific ticket offices until the premises were closed yesterday, left last evening for Nelson to resume his former position in the office of the district passenger agent. During his brief sojourn in the Golden City Mr. Procter made many friends.

T. R. Morrow, the popular druggist, has returned from a two weeks' trip to Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver. While away, Mr. Morrow did good missionary work in behalf of the Kootenays and the Golden City. He thoroughly enjoyed his vacation and happily combined pleasure with profit.

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(From Thursday's Daily.) Andrew Revsboch, an old resident of Rossland, left last night for the coast.

W. H. Jones of Nelson spent yesterday in the city.

Harry McIntyre of Nelson, inspector of Canadian Pacific telegraphs for the Kootenays, was in the city yesterday on official business.

S. S. Hart of Windsor, Ont., is registered at the Hotel Allan.

With shrill fibres the vast crowd turned away. In a later day the multitudes again assembled. They reared a massive monument to the memory of the reformer, treading gently about the desolate grave. With voices heavy with love they called the despised one Messiah.

A poet came to earth. One night he walked with two rich comrades through the city's slums. Slowly, with bowed head, he led them on, through grime and filth and squalor. His friends drew their garments carefully about them. Their brows were heavy with disgust and horror. They fled. In the thickest of the misery the poet raised his face, illuminated as by a vision. Intense pity and great love swept over him. He wrote strange, grand songs, such as the world had never heard. The powerful refused to listen. They drove him from their midst. But the poet laborer blessed him; the lowly women prayed for him. The poet's heart gladdened.—Polly Dawson in "The Whim."

(From Saturday's Daily.) Great Australian Mines Close for Want of Water.

VANCOUVER, Aug. 3.—The livelihood of 40,000 people is adversely affected by the closing down of the great silver-lead mines at Broken Hill, Australia. From news just to hand it appears that Broken Hill is passing through a period the darkest ever known in the history of the Barrier. The failure of the water supply is the cause. The town was face to face with a really desperate situation when the mine owners decided to refuse credit because the wholesale houses had suspended the system with them. Most of those who could leave the district were doing so.

It is one of Broken Hill's misfortunes that while it is politically in New South Wales the bulk of the mines, 11 in fact, are owned in Victoria, which collared most of the trade. The New South Wales government hence has done little for the district. So unmistakably did it fail in this emergency that the companies had to go to a rain making experimenter, Dr. McCarthy. The district is in a remote desert and outside the artesian area. The town and mines have had to rely upon the supply from catchment. The water company has been slow to build more reservoirs because in a few years' time all its rights, revert to the crown. Arrangements have been made with the South Australian government to supply water for human consumption, but this did not permit the mines being worked. Rain in abundance is all that the mine owners can hope for to bring them relief. They catch the water in huge reservoirs. Unfortunately the chief one is very shallow and the loss by evaporation is very great; an inch a day is not uncommon.

The water obtained from South Australia was brought in by train and cost \$10 per thousand gallons. A facetious Australian correspondent remarks that the whisky drinkers are giving assistance in preserving the more precious fluid by taking their whisky unwatered. Broken Hill presents a deserted appearance and is in partial darkness owing to the greatly reduced electric lighting.

BUTTE MINES TO RESUME.

Amalgamated Copper Properties to be Worked Soon.

BUTTE, Mont., Aug. 3.—The nine mines of the Amalgamated Copper company, which suspended July last, because of the incompletion of the gigantic flues of the Washoe smelters at Anaconda, by which it is planned to remedy the smoke nuisance, will resume the hoisting of ore about August 20th. The mines are the Mountain Consolidated, High Ore, Anaconda, St. Lawrence, Bell Parrot, Moonlight, Never Sweat and Diamond. Development work in several of the mines has been in progress right along. At the Anaconda the shaft is being sunk below the 2000 foot station. When this work is complete there will be several hundred feet of new stopping ground from which an unlimited quantity of ore can be extracted.

At the St. Lawrence, another of the great mines, the large shaft of the hoisting engine which broke a few days before the mines closed, has been replaced with a new one.

At the works of the Pittsburg & Montana Mining company, better known as the Farwell properties, on the flat east of Butte, an army of men is engaged in the construction of a smelter and mining work. Two shafts are being sunk. They have reached a depth of 900 feet. It is reported that some very high grade copper glance has been struck in one of the shafts at its lowest point. A wooden gallows frame is being erected and a spur is being built to the Northern Pacific railroad. The main structure of the smelter is well under way. Mr. Bagley, of Pittsburg, and Don Gillies are giving the work their personal supervision. All the property of the company, about 300 acres, is being fenced.

The Pittsburg company has bonded several properties in the Cataract district, in Basin, and a shaft will be sunk 500 feet to develop the sulphide ores, which are to be used as a flux for the Butte ores. The company has expended more than \$1,000,000 in buying mining property and erecting a reduction plant.

SEARCHED FOR BY POLICE.

CHICOPEE, Mass., Aug. 3.—The police are searching for John J. Murray, who is believed to have been with George Pierce, of Fairview, a suburb of this city, when he received fatal injuries last Thursday night.

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EARTHQUAKE IN CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3.—An earthquake lasting 30 seconds was experienced here at 10:05 last night. The quake was of the longest duration in many years. It was not of a violent character and reports of damage are not looked for. Other California points felt the shock. Stanford university reports that the shock lasted 45 seconds.

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KING EDWARD AND IRELAND.

The enthusiastic reception which the Irish people have accorded King Edward and Queen Alexandra at Dublin and other communities visited by them has dissipated any alarm that might have been felt that more or less hostility might be shown. It shows that the action of the Dublin municipal corporation in refusing, at the request of professional agitators, to vote him an address of welcome was not responsive to the feeling of the people, and that what the officials of the city refused to accord the citizens have granted of themselves. Personally King Edward, when Prince of Wales, was always popular in Ireland, and he has not lessened it since his elevation to the throne.

He has taken a lively interest in ameliorating the conditions that have pressed upon the island inhabitants and has been earnest in advocating the passage of the land purchase bill through the house of commons and two readings in the house of lords, and there is no doubt that it will soon go into effect. This measure will confer a greater blessing upon the Irish people than any heretofore granted them by England and will undoubtedly operate to restore a better feeling in all parts of the United Kingdom. It will enable the natives of Ireland to become owners of the soil, and is a long step in the direction of a fuller home government.

As Prince of Wales the king proved himself a man of wonderful tact, and as king he has retained that quality and demonstrated further that it is not all fact, but that at bottom he has the quality of statesmanship. His visits to Paris and Rome have done much to create new bonds of friendship between the English and French and Italian people, and he bids fair to perform a still greater service to his country by removing the asperities that have existed between the nearly related people of his island empire.

MANCHURIAN OPEN PORTS.

Apparently the bear has thought it well to allow the opening of two Manchurian ports under the operation of the American-Chinese treaty. The extension of the same privilege to Britain and Japan necessarily followed. For this result, due credit must be given to Mr. Secretary Hay; through whose firmness, ability and good sense the opening of the ports in that rich territory is now made possible. In rejecting the offer of special privileges for the United States, and in insisting on the "open door," Mr. Hay has shown statesmanship of the highest order; and has undoubtedly laid Europe under a deep debt of obligation. It would perhaps be almost too much to hope that this satisfactory concession will at once put an end to all matters in dispute, in which England, the United States and Japan are interested. The mere fact that China has acted throughout these wearisome negotiations at the dictate of Russia, throws rather a lurid light upon the latter's promise to evacuate Manchuria by October, 1903. It is now reported that the czar's government has informed that of the emperor of China that a further period of six years will be necessary, before she can complete her arrangements for safely withdrawing. Meanwhile Russian banks and Russian railroads are being firmly established; and Russian influence gaining ground steadily. She has already embarked some \$250,000,000 in developing Manchuria, and she will naturally look for a handsome return on her investment. Her position in Manchuria is not unlike that of England in Egypt; the difference being that while hers is a despotic and restrictive power, England's is free and progressive. It is difficult to predict what line of action, under these altered circumstances Japan will wish to adopt. If the substantial effect of Secretary Hay's achievement for the "open door," be what it seems to be, it is plain that unless coerced by some clause of the

Anglo-Japanese treaty England will no longer have sufficient cause for war. Although the concession does not satisfy the five demands made by England and Japan in the joint note presented to the Chinese government last month, still it goes a long way towards meeting them. Japan has, no doubt, still a private grievance of her own, in the virtual suzerainty assumed by Russia over Korea; which she has always regarded as rightfully belonging to her, as her due and lawful spoil on the conclusion of the war with China. It is not, however, unreasonable to hope that the advisers of the mikado may be able to make such terms with Russia that this matter may be satisfactorily arranged; and that the war cloud which now looms so heavily and darkly over the far east may soon be dispersed.

CANADA'S FLAG.

One of the defects in the national ensign of Canada is indicated in a letter from a valued correspondent in another column, remarks the Hamilton Herald. The seal on the fly represents the country as it was at confederation, containing only the arms of the four provinces which then formed the Dominion. All that portion of Canada west of Ontario, destined in a very short time to become in population as it is in territory the larger and more important part, is ignored. The suggestion has been made that this defect might be remedied by the substitution of a simpler emblem, one that would represent the entire Dominion, and not merely a section. The maple leaf alone, or a design embodying both the maple leaf and the beaver, which are universally recognized now as distinctly Canadian tokens, would be more suitable for the fly of the national flag, and would leave no room for criticism on the part of the people of the provinces and territories that have been added to the Dominion since 1867.

AN IMPORTANT ISSUE.

Because of their corruption or incompetency, successive governments of British Columbia for the last fifteen years have muddled along with a fiscal policy that has annually shown a gaping deficit and brought the province to the end of its borrowing powers at a reasonable rate of interest.

The most glaring feature about our present financial condition is the fact that rich, dividend-paying corporations like the railways and the coal barons do not begin to pay their fair proportion of the taxes. At the last session of the legislative assembly a return was made which shows that the railways pay but one-tenth of their fair proportion of taxes. It has been still more recently shown beyond all question that the Dunsmuirs, the owners of the E. & N. railway, pay little or no royalties on the millions upon millions of feet of timber cut annually on the lands of the company.

If there were an equitable system of taxation, if the railways and the Dunsmuirs paid as much in proportion as does the ordinary individual, there would be a surplus of cash instead of a shortage in the provincial treasury each year.

These rich corporations should not be so favored. They are in a better position than anybody else to contribute towards the cost of government. They make enormous profits while the struggling metalliferous mining industry, the harassed merchant and dependent toiler wrestle with debt and adversity.

The Miner has taken the trouble to study this vitally important question in all its important phases and is now convinced that there is prosperity for all and certain distinct and definite amelioration in store for the masses and the infant industries if the rich are made to pay their fair proportion of taxes. It is patent that a reduction could be made in the poll and school tax of the masses and the total elimination of the iniquitous 2 per cent tax on ore mined if justice were done in this respect.

Is this not worth making a campaign issue in the forthcoming elections? The corporate influences in both parties will, of course, try desperately to stultify this idea, but this journal will not listen to such sophistry or any equivocation. The principle is sound, the idea is honest and has all the right and might of its solid virtue.

Rossland Conservatives will have an opportunity tonight to declare for this simple, grand principle, and it is to be devoutly hoped that they will rise to the occasion with that sense of justice and patriotism that is and should be the guiding motives of their politics.

PRESERVING FUR BEARING ANIMALS.

Profiting by the experience of older parts of the Dominion, the people of Northern Alberta are agitating for preventive measures against the destruction of game and fur-bearing animals. The beaver is as helpless as he is industrious, and he soon disappears when the fur hunters invade his haunts. His proverbial cunning may save him for a time, but that is chiefly manifested in his early departure for more secluded regions. We have a sentimental regard for the beaver, as our national emblem, and before our invasion the Indians placed him at the head of the animal world. The absolute prohibition of the trapping of beaver in Ontario for five years, and the forest reservation on Algonquin park, have saved this animal from destruction in that province. But indiscriminate and continuous trapping has been going on in regions far more remote. The Peace river country was at a comparatively recent time the natural haunt of the beaver in Athabasca territory. Now it is almost entirely driven out or killed off, and a few more years of slaughter will complete the work of destruction. In other parts of that territory the same unfortunate results have appeared. The only district where the beaver can now be called plentiful is on the Liard river and its tributaries north and west of Fort de Liard. Here they are virtually surrounded, and in a short time, if indiscriminate trapping is not prevented, they will be killed off.

There is an economic as well as a sentimental aspect to the question of preserving the beaver and other fur-bearing animals. At Edmonton, which is the chief raw fur market of the northern country, there is a large number of poor and immature skins sold every year, showing that the work of destruction is carried on without regard to times or seasons by both Indians and white trappers. The economic loss involved is difficult to estimate. The fur dealers do not want the immature nor the poor skins, but competition is keen, and the trappers sell them by demanding that the bad be purchased with the good. It is stated on good authority that not more than half the fur sold at Edmonton will grade No. 1. The skin of a bear killed in summer is worth about 5 cents, but if the animal is killed in season it is worth \$15. A silver fox skin taken out of season is worth about \$5, but taken in season it is worth three or four hundred dollars. All furs are similarly affected by the changing seasons.

The matter is under Dominion jurisdiction and it might be dangerous to interfere with the hunting and trapping rights of the Indians. White trappers could be prevented from taking furs out of season, or from having such furs in their possession. If it were made an offence to buy or possess such furs the market for them would be closed, and both white men and Indians would cease to trap out of season. To prohibit the export of low grade furs has been suggested as a less sweeping remedy, and as the majority of the buyers at Edmonton represent American or other foreign firms, that embargo might prove sufficient. Some restriction should be placed on the present indiscriminate slaughter.

SIR WILFRID AND THE JAPS.

According to the New Westminster Columbian, recent incidents on the Fraser river have given the white fishermen and those interested in their welfare fresh cause for complaint against the persistence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in cultivating the friendship of the Japanese at the expense of the white men of British Columbia. We have had the Japanese brought into direct organized competition with the white fishermen's union, and a victory for the Japs achieved solely by their numerical strength, which is such as to make it impossible for the white fishermen to hold out for what they consider a fair price for their labor. Whatever the Jap can be induced to take the white man, it appeared, must accept also or lose his season's work and let his dependants go in want.

It is no more incumbent on British Columbia to sacrifice her white men to Japanese labor than it is for Natal and Australia and other colonial possessions whose determination to regulate the labor affairs the home authorities would not risk resisting. Neither would Mr. Chamberlain attempt to force the Japanese upon Canada if we had at Ottawa a government bent upon studiously resisting all suggestions of sacrificing our local welfare to imperial interests not asserted in other colonies.

It is time that we carried this labor grievance past Sir Wilfrid, and had audience with Mr. Chamberlain himself. There are more substantial advantages to be secured to the empire by encouraging the movement of white population to British Columbia than can possibly accrue from the satisfaction the Japanese government can derive from forcing emigrants upon a province unwilling to receive them. The Mikado has had it asserted with much dignity that he might be trusted to keep his people from migrating to countries where they were

not welcome; and it seems to us that the government at Ottawa has been remiss in not having it urged upon the Japanese emperor to keep faith in this matter of the obnoxious movement of Japs to British Columbia.

THE MOST PROFITABLE OF INDUSTRIES.

There is little doubt that among all the industries of this country, mining is the most profitable today. In making this statement, we leave out of reckoning the instances of mismanaged and ill-managed enterprises, wild-cat schemes and foreordained failures of novices and incompetents. We mean the mining business as it is carried on under intelligent management, with improved modern machinery and in localities which do not offer serious obstacles to transportation, etc. Given an ore body with fair values and of good average width, the profits of a mine's working year can be figured out a great deal more closely than the profits of a grain or fruit ranch, or of any manufacturing enterprise. That there is a certain element of luck and chance in mining must be admitted, but in the main the business is sound and profitable. And the basis of these conditions lies first of all, perhaps, in the fact that we have brains—trained, cultured, versatile brains, at the head of every mining enterprise of any magnitude. The West has some of the best specimens of mine superintendents the world has produced—the man who is at once geologist, engineer and practical miner; who knows his mine just as a manufacturer knows his plant, and is moreover a good business manager. And a second factor is this: That the very best that the laboratory and machine shop have produced in the way of modern improvement are being utilized in the mining industry to eliminate waste and save time. On account of modern scientific methods it is possible to work at a profit low grade and refractory ores, which in decades past were considered utterly worthless. And we presage that future prosperity in the mining field will be due not to the richness of discoveries but to improved methods of treating ores, and in economical methods of handling immense mining plants. There is no industry for which science and mechanics have done more than for mining.

THE VOTE IN DURHAM.

Last week's bye-election in the Barnard Castle division of Durham county was expected to give some indication of the state of feeling in England in regard to the Chamberlain program, but this issue seems to have been in a large degree mixed up with others. The constituency is solidly Liberal, the Unionist candidate at the last election having received only 3545 votes against 5936 polled for his opponent, leaving him in a minority of 1491. Last week's election was a three-cornered contest. The same Unionist who was defeated in 1900, Major W. L. Vane, whose personal popularity is admitted, came within 47 votes of election, but for all that received 222 less than in the previous contest. The straight Liberal, who is said to have lacked the support of the party machinery, was at the foot of the poll, while a labor nominee who was also good a Liberal as to have held the position of official agent for that party in the constituency was successful. The combined Labor and Liberal vote was 6179, against 3233 cast for the Unionist.

On the face of it these figures are not very reassuring for Chamberlain and his supporters. Major Vane was prepared to endorse the policy of the colonial secretary, while the Liberal, Mr. Beaumont, would only go so far as to approve of an inquiry into fiscal matters, and the Labor man, Mr. Henderson, after starting his campaign with a vigorous attack on the "food tax" propaganda, came around toward the close to admit that investigation might be harmless. It is alleged, however, that this question was by no means the chief issue of the campaign; that dissatisfaction over the education act was a much more potent factor in the result, and nothing of importance has been determined regarding the preferential tariff theories which Mr. Chamberlain promises to make the leading issue at the next general election. If the voting in Barnard Castle were an index of popular sentiment in Britain on his proposals, the outlook for Mr. Chamberlain would not be rosy, but he expects to do better when his campaign of education has had time to work out its intended effect.

A London correspondent comments thus on the result of the contest: "Thus if any deduction can be drawn from the election, it is that the autumn campaign which will follow the rising of parliament in August is to settle whether the country supports the colonial secretary or not. Official assurances are given that the government absolutely does not contemplate an early general election, but there is a general belief that it will come in March, by which time Colonial Secretary Chamberlain will have put forward his scheme and the leaders will have declared themselves

on one side or the other. There is yet a third opinion, which is supported by many, that when the cabinet meets in November at the usual meeting preliminary to the new session it will be found that its members are too divided to carry on the government, and that an appeal to the country will follow. But it is certain that every effort will be made to avoid it, and party discipline will be exerted to the utmost to avoid a general upheaval at the end of the year."

McBRIDE AND MARTIN.

Richard McBride is not the greatest man that ever lived, but certain characteristics of his shine with dazzling fulgurance when brought into contrast with the traits with which the people have been familiarized in the person of Joseph Martin.

He is honest. He is a Conservative. He has served the people faithfully. He is neither a trickster, a trimmer nor a mountebank. He has, although a very young man, been elected to the legislature twice. He has not grown rich in the service of the railways and the coal barons. He never stood for anything except law, order and equity. He enjoys no popularity in the reeking precincts of anarchy and socialism.

O TEMPORA! O MORES!

The cry goes up at home and abroad that British Columbia is a fertile breeding ground for political heresies. This province is rapidly getting an undesirable reputation for labor agitation, socialism and other false doctrines. The reason is not hard to find. Both the old parties seem inclined to shirk responsibilities so far as the masses are concerned. And herein lies the secret of the deep undercurrent of general dissatisfaction on the part of the poorer element of our population. It is the duty of the grand old Conservative party to come to the rescue; to see to it that there shall be no class legislation; no favoritism in the levying of taxes; no discrimination against the humble but ambitious pioneer; no orders-in-council for the particular benefit of charter-mongers and grafters; no reservation of crown lands, or denial of the legal rights of the prospector—in short, a square deal all around. The illiterate and fanatical agitator, the rampant demagogue and conscienceless politician will talk to empty benches if the old line parties only do their simple duty. Cursed and hopelessly involved by the false doctrines of Martinism, the Liberals cannot be expected to relieve the situation; but the untrammelled Conservatives have a grand opportunity to restore the good name of this great province, and so create unprecedented prosperity.

GOOD PROOF OF LIBERAL IN-DISCRETION.

When The Miner first drew public attention to the almost criminal folly of the Liberals in postponing the \$500 tax on Chinese until January 1, 1904, there were a number of local Grits who declared that "it was all right." The following, from the Vancouver World, the leading Liberal newspaper in British Columbia and the personal organ of "Joe" Martin, proves conclusively how ill-advised has been the Liberal policy in this respect:

"Come One, Come All—The Celestial race against time is becoming exciting. From the land beyond the sea, Chinamen are pouring into Canada with a fervor suggesting a deep anxiety to escape the approaching season of the \$500 tax. The incoming Empresses bring them in chattering hordes, and those who are not able to make the passage on the queen steamers of the Pacific come otherwise. But they come, nevertheless. Yesterday a suburban train brought over from the Fraser a small party of eighty-five who had crossed to the mainland by the ferry Victorian, having landed from one of the Sound-Oriental liners."

RESTRICTING CHILD LABOR.

Restriction of child labor is in accord with a wide and deepening sentiment. The absolute wickedness of the systems that depend upon such labor has been shown in the mills of the Southern States and the mills, mines and sweatshops of Eastern America. While it is true that the evil has not yet reached proportions by any means as great in the West, the principle is the same. The time to correct an evil is before it has grown mighty and becomes entrenched. Child labor is not bad alone for the individual victim of it. The boy or girl is prevented from acquiring an adequate education, is stunted mentally and physically and develops into an adult only in years. This certainly is bad enough for the child, but it is to be remembered that this stunted and malformed being enters into the fabric of society. Its chances of becoming a useful member are slender. It is more likely to progress along lines that lead to crime or penury. The child denied the right to grow normally and healthfully, with a share of the sunlight and fresh air, and participation in youthful joys, is

being done a cruel wrong, and this is a wrong that reacts.

Certain students of tuberculosis have concluded that the reign of this disease would in time be materially checked through the abolition of child labor. That the child who works in mill or factory toils where the atmosphere is dim and foul is almost a surety. It is in such atmosphere that the tuberculosis germ thrives. Those of robust frame may be able to withstand it, but to the puny urchin it means death. Not only does the human body need air and sunshine, but the dry air of the open day destroys the virility of the germ that under other circumstances is so much to be dreaded. From the economic standpoint there will arise objections to the change. Men will have to be employed to do the tasks now performed by scrawny youngsters. Of course, this will cost more, but it may be the little ones are worth saving even at the price.

ENGLAND'S TRIBUTE TO GEORGE WASHINGTON.

"Englishmen and Canadians alike," says the Montreal Star, "will agree in commending the action of the authorities of St. Paul's cathedral, which has just been officially announced, in offering a site in that sacred centre of Anglo-Saxon interest, where repose the remains of Nelson and other mighty heroes of the past, for a memorial to America's great soldier and first president, George Washington."

Paradoxical as it may appear, it is nevertheless true, that few, if any, of its illustrious dead, whose monuments are to be seen in St. Paul's, have a stronger claim on the gratitude of Britons than he who, a century and a quarter ago, was regarded as a traitor to his king and his country. But George Washington taught the mother country a lesson, which it has been learning and practicing ever since. In showing her how easy it was to alienate the loyalty of her colonial children he pointed out how it could be retained. It is not too much to say that the loss of the American colonies in 1776 has proved a gain to the whole world. Not once, but by degrees, England came to perceive that if she would retain the affection and loyalty of her colonies, and so found a mighty, world-embracing empire, she must endow them with full independence, and let them govern themselves. The process of disintegration began and ended with the loss of the American colonies. It was a bitter and expensive lesson, which has never needed to be repeated; but, as subsequent events have shown, a most valuable one. For that boon England owes to George Washington a national recognition; and we welcome the action of the Pilgrims' Club in inaugurating the movement for erecting a statue of the great American statesman in London.

The enthusiasm with which the project has been received in England is an eloquent sign of the times. It is another proof of the strong abiding sense of kinship which connects the two great Anglo-Saxon nations of the Eastern and Western hemispheres. In honoring Washington the English are but honoring one of themselves; a hero, belonging in a sense to both peoples, who now that his character can be viewed in the true perspective time alone can give, can equally admit his genius, integrity and patriotism; and thank God for the noble example he has bequeathed to all succeeding generations of the Anglo-Saxon race.

THE NEW POPE.

The election of a successor to Pope Leo XIII, has evidently resulted in a compromise, as happens in many political contests. Followers of Cardinals Rampolla and Gotti, the most prominent of the candidates, were expected to remain firm in support of their favorites, and this has been the case. Cardinal Sarto's name was not even mentioned among the probabilities. Nevertheless, from all that is said of him, the new occupant of St. Peter's chair may be expected to discharge his duties well and prove an unworthy successor to the benevolent and saintly Leo. It seems even possible that he will improve the relations between the holy see and some of the national governments. Of course his administration of the internal affairs of the church is of interest only to the church's adherents, but there are many matters under his control which are also of interest to the world at large. In this respect the reign of the late pontiff was of general benefit, and it is well that his successor's past career should give promise of the good work being continued.

The Americans are very anxious for reciprocity with Canada. They are in real earnest about it. They have discovered that the Canadians are rapidly growing out of the stage of suicidal foolishness which profited Uncle Sam and impoverished Canada, and they want to make a bargain before the Canadians get entirely too wise to be gold-bricked. The Minnesota branch of the National Reciprocity League is quite active in the propaganda.

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crucial wrong, and this is the result. The Miner had occasion recently to show how the Liberal juggling with the Chinese poll tax has had the effect of checking the tide of white immigration to British Columbia while flooding the province with undesirable Orientals. We recited the fact that farmers in the Okanagan valley were liable to be brought to the verge of ruin by reason of a great scarcity of farm hands. It transpires that many would-be harvest workers have been shipped by various employment bureaux from coast districts to the Okanagan during the last few days. It would thus appear that the crops of the Okanagan will, after all, be saved.

ORIENTAL QUESTION AGAIN.

But at what expense? Does it mean that many residents at the coast have suddenly determined to quit their comfortably established and hard won homes in the Fraser valley and around Vancouver to engage in agricultural pursuits in South Yale—there to help make that beautiful region blossom like the rose? No; nothing of the kind. It means that the poverty stricken white salmon fishers, who at best only have a few months' work in the year, have been driven from their regular occupation by the hordes of Chinese and Japs that are coming to this country by every incoming ship from the Orient, and are forced to seek a living in the Okanagan or elsewhere. Thanks to the Liberals for postponing the \$500 poll tax until January 1st, 1904, these unfortunate fisher folk are compelled to travel a hundred miles or so to make a few dollars to tide them over the winter. They have lost a year's work, are made destitute and forced to temporary expedients in order to maintain an existence.

By refusing to enforce the \$500 Chinese poll tax without delay, the Liberals have flooded the country with a most objectionable lot of people. This has resulted in driving white fishermen from their regular occupation and left them destitute. It has also been responsible for the almost total stoppage of Eastern and British immigration; for who wants to come to British Columbia if the province is known to be overrun with Chinese and Japs?

IMPERTINENCE.

Every now and again we come across articles in American papers in regard to Canada which are utterly irrational, owing to their argument being based on ignorance of this country and its people. A recent issue of Harper's Weekly, a paper that has a large circulation in Canada, contains an editorial which is an amusing specimen of impertinence towards Canadians. The writer of this effusion considers that a good understanding between the United States and Great Britain will never be established until England deals wisely with British North America. How considerate! We never knew that America watched so tenderly over us in this Dominion as to decline being on good terms with England unless the old, the mother country, treated us "wisely." Harper's Weekly seems unaware of the fact that at no time were England and America on such friendly terms as they are at present. The entente cordiale is now perfect between Great Britain and the United States, while never before were the ties which bind Canada to Great Britain and the British Empire so strong, or so universally felt by Canadians to be indissoluble. Judging by the article before us, our plebeian contemporary considers that England will not act "wisely" towards Canada until she severs those ties, so that we may all become American citizens. Such language is mere "midsummer madness;" the heat in New York seems to have disturbed Harper's mental faculties. We Canadians regard it as a gross impertinence for an American paper to intimate that there is the remotest possibility of this country ever becoming incorporated with the American republic. We cherish our liberty here, we prize our social and political freedom so fondly and so highly, that we should regard the risk of Canada entering the republic with the utmost repugnance and alarm.

THE CITY SOLICITORSHIP.

The matter of appointing a city solicitor comes up for consideration at tonight's meeting of the city council. There has been considerable shilly-shallying with regard to this, and the delay in appointing Mr. Abbott's successor has already entailed a large and unnecessary expense on the part of the municipality. There has also been no little wire-pulling and back-alley politics displayed during the last few days on behalf of rival candidates for the position. The reason that there are rival candidates, and a large number of them at that, is the supposition and expectation that a post-eriously large salary is to be paid to the man to be selected as the city's legal adviser. In more prosperous and extravagant days Rossland squandered as high as \$100 a month on an official counsel. The general cry for retrenchment forced the city fathers to curtail the stipend to \$75 a month, and that was the fee paid to the last incumbent at the time of his resignation. There

is no longer any valid reason why the ratepayers should be mulcted for one-half this amount. Twenty-five dollars a month—\$300 a year—would be ample payment for the services of a city solicitor, and certainly at the present time. The Miner is confident that a competent and conscientious solicitor can be found to act for the city at this remuneration. It therefore would be worse than folly to pay a higher figure. Even if the mayor and aldermen were willing to forego a portion of their own unearned and otherwise ridiculous salaries in favor of a high-priced solicitor, there is absolutely no need to pay more than \$300 a year. The Miner will fully report the proceedings at the city council tonight so that ratepayers and the public generally may have a fair opportunity to know how each member of the council stands on this important question.

"IN THE DOLDRUMS."

Some Liberals have a lively sense of the party's deficiency in the matter of a platform. The executive of the party in Victoria suggested that a party convention should be called to endeavor to supply a remedy, but so far it has met with nothing but discouragement. That article was dealt out by the Vancouver organization very liberally, and the following comments on the situation from the News-Advertiser are much to the point:

"Better leave the matter of amending or adding to the Liberal platform to the executive, said the chairman at the meeting on Friday of the Vancouver Liberal association, 'as a resolution would give it away to the public that they were trying to set their sails to catch every wind that blew, which might land them in the doldrums without any wind whatever.' No better epitome of the situation could be given, except that instead of describing it in what the Greek grammar of our boyhood days would have designated as the Post Paulo Future tense, the chairman should have used the present tense and declared that the provincial Liberal party 'is now in the doldrums.' The suggestion from Victoria for a convention to 'repair the party platform; the language of the speeches at the meeting, admitting the despair and generally dilapidated state of that piece of political furniture, all go to one conclusion—that the party has drifted 'into the doldrums' and that the Liberal sails are scarcely likely to catch a favoring breeze to set it on a prosperous voyage before the fateful day of polling! The chairman need be under no anxiety as to the public getting on to that fact. It is a matter of common notoriety, and although we feel a delicacy in saying so, it would be neither honest nor truthful to let our Liberal friends delude themselves with the idea that they can play the ostrich trick and deceive the provincial electorate.

"At the same time we commend their decision to hold no convention nor to attempt at this late hour to reconstruct their platform. It is evident to others as well as to themselves that the platform will never carry them through the campaign; that to stand on its rough and uneven surface for three long months would mean political corns and partisan bunions, even if no collapse brought the fracture and disablement of the whole Liberal phalanx. We state these facts with regret, because we have always insisted that a good strong opposition is almost a necessity if we are to have a thoroughly efficient and capable administration of provincial affairs. But no one can look for such an opposition under the present circumstances of the Liberal party. Without a leader; without a policy; indeed, as one speaker at the meeting intimated, ready in its despair, to march behind the labor banner rather than under the tattered rag of the old-time Liberal standard, the Liberal party in British Columbia is, indeed, undone. Like the boy's pocket-knife, it must have a new handle and new blades before it can be recognized as that with which we have been familiar. It sounds almost like sarcasm that the labor party should be asked to unite itself to what its members admit is practically a political corpse.

"Thoughtful Liberals realize the facts as well (perhaps even more clearly) as outsiders. But they perceive equally clearly that at present there is no possibility of the reorganization—we might say the reconstruction—of the party. It was plainly shown by the speeches at Friday's meeting that there is a great bitterness between the Liberals of Victoria and Vancouver, and we may reasonably assume between those of other parts of the province. It is also seen that there is no general agreement on the policy or program that the party shall submit to the electorate. Mr. Martin differs on many essential points from Mr. Bodwell or Senator Templeman. Mr. Curtis insists that Mr. Martin is without the grace of true Liberalism; the latter charges that the former is tainted with political insanity. A convention would not heal these differences; it would make them more apparent and the breach impossible to close. The question of the leadership presents an almost insuperable difficulty at the present time. Yet however

some may try to delude themselves that a party without a leader can fight as well as one that is properly and effectively led, no experienced politician believes that. We have no doubt that hundreds of devout Liberals realize this and that their daily prayer is similar to that of the spinster of uncertain age: 'Anything, good Lord, so long as it's a man!'

"Only time can cure the present deplorable condition of the Liberal party. The bracing air of opposition may do wonders in the course of a few years. But it is useless to look at the Liberal party at the present time as having within it the germs of a successful administration or a strong and stable government. And yet that is what the electors demand; what the vital interests of the province must have if British Columbia is to efface all the past three years and rehabilitate herself in the opinion of outsiders. Without a captain, rudderless, with no chart or compass, as her own crew admit drifting 'into the doldrums,' the Liberal craft is not one to which the interests of British Columbia can be entrusted, and on October 31st the provincial electors will declare by a large majority that they cannot commit their political fortunes or their material possessions to a party so demoralized as by the confessions of its own members the Liberal party in British Columbia is today."

LEARNING ABOUT CANADA.

The exodus of Americans to the Canadian Northwest is naturally attracting the attention of the press of the republic. One of the most reputable and conservative of American journals, the Springfield Republican, has sent a staff correspondent to Manitoba and the Territories to estimate the importance of the movement, and to draw conclusions as to the character of the country. The editorial comments of the correspondent are more significant. It says: "The Canadian Northwest is to most of us a region of remote vagueness, and we idly wonder to read what it is attracting settlers from the United States in numbers so great as to challenge attention. For rugged and resolute men the opportunities in that vast and rich country are great, indeed. Not transitory, but permanent is the removal of these families from our northwest to that of Canada. These people go to stay, and to be content with their citizenship under another flag. That they find some things better there than here we might just as well know and think about, in these days when the national boasting is as vigorous and perhaps as crude as ever it was. But the facts presented in this letter, many and valuable, should not be passed over. They are highly educational and very impressive."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The simple fact of the matter is that Wall street is slaughtering the bulls because the lambs are all gone.

No matter who is nominated by the Rossland Liberals at the forthcoming election it looks like a sure Conservative gain.

We wonder if the business men of Rossland will ever seriously consider the advisability of endeavoring to have unity of action in matters that concern the vital interests of the community. Without it a city can never prosper.

The Winnipeg Tribune, Liberal, hits the nail squarely on the head when it declares: "If we cannot get government railways, Premier Laurier is going to give us what he considers the next best thing, government by railways."

Even the three hour speech by Sir Wilfrid Laurier failed to cover the trickery which the Liberal government at Ottawa hopes to carry a measure which made its minister of railways choose to resign rather than introduce.

According to the Toronto Globe the Canadian Pacific railway has just completed the most prosperous year of its existence. It is now up to the C. P. R. to allow Western Canada to do similar stunts.

And so golf has developed a taste for swearing among women, and the useful and patient old fashioned "darn it all" that has served so long and well as a safety-valve for feminine emotions must go. So be it. If red-hot explosives make the dear creatures feel better, the Lord's will be done, and let golf bear the blame.

W. F. Robertson, provincial mineralogist, is at the present time examining the coal and petroleum deposits in the Flathead valley, East Kootenay. His report to the government is awaited with general interest, for what he shall have to say will largely determine the policy of the Victoria authorities in the eventual disposal of these lands.

Says the Winnipeg Telegram, discussing British Columbia politics: "The good wishes of Conservatives everywhere go with the government. That a strong policy will be laid down is certain. British Columbia has so many reasons for condemning the Liberal party and is naturally so strongly Conservative that a sweeping victory is confidently expected."

According to the Montreal Star a member of the Hungarian diet planked down 10,000 kroner in hard cash which had been handed to him as a bribe. The matter was promptly referred to a parliamentary committee. Why on earth did they not refer the business to a royal commission? They manage these things more cleverly in Ontario.

Sir Percy Girouard, the well known Canadian engineer, has done much for the Empire in various parts of the globe, and not the least striking of his services is his administration of the railways of the Transvaal and Orange River colonies. As commissioner of railways for those two portions of the Empire, he had a wonderful story to tell the Intercolonial council at Johannesburg the other day. He stated that the railway receipts for the year ending June 30 were \$5,349,230, and the expenditure \$2,825,253. The net receipts for the forthcoming year he estimated at \$2,350,000. The Dominion government should approach Sir Percy with a view to engaging his services in the management of the Intercolonial railway.

Hon. Richard McBride, premier and chief commissioner of lands and works, and Hon. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., attorney general, have gone to the northwest portion of the province on a three weeks' trip. Both ministers have important business to transact there, but we are nevertheless waiting for the unregenerate Grits to spring some candid derogatory to their position as conscientious and energetic ministers.

In all affairs of state the King has, of course, to be governed by the advice of his ministers. This is the essence of the British system from which no departure would be tolerated. Still, his Majesty is able to exert a considerable influence over his advisers. He has the advantage at the outset of a more complete acquaintance with public affairs. Knowledge is power, no matter who may possess it. Ministers come and go, but the sovereign, in the natural course of events, survives many governments. Besides this greater knowledge of the position of the King enables him to discuss with his ministers the conduct of affairs with the greatest freedom. Moreover, he may always delay action until he thinks that the proposed course has been well considered. King Edward, it is currently believed, is exerting a greater influence in a strictly constitutional way than his revered mother or her immediate predecessors. The late queen paid close attention to foreign affairs, and considered that the sovereign had special responsibilities in that connection. She certainly exercised beneficial influence in the courts of Europe.

COAL AND STEEL CONCERNS.

The Explanation of the Cancellation of the Lease Between Them.

MONTREAL, Aug. 4.—At the end of the three days' session of the directors of the Dominion Iron & Steel company and the Dominion Coal company the following announcement was given out: "The board of directors of the Dominion Iron & Steel company and the Dominion Coal company have agreed on the terms on which the lease between the two companies shall be cancelled and are calling meetings of their respective shareholders to authorize an agreement carrying out the same. The particulars will be communicated to the shareholders by a circular without delay.

"That the proposal to break the lease might be ratified, the banks from whom advances have been received were consulted. Last night E. S. Clouston, general manager of the Bank of Montreal, approved the project on behalf of his bank, while today E. B. Walker, general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce arrived in the city from Toronto, and after considering the proposal with Senator Cox, H. M. Whitney and J. E. Plummer, gave approval. The manner in which the proposal to break the lease was arrived at was by vote, and out of twelve directors present, only three voted contrary, and they for particular reasons were in favor of amalgamation. What caused their arguments to be set aside was the price that the coal company would have to pay the steel company to effect the amalgamation.

"Under existing conditions with the mills uncompleted, the value of the works, as suggested by the steel interests, was a speculative one, and the coal interests would only entertain the speculative value. It was pointed out that such a value could only be found when the mills had been in operation for some time. Some of the directors

considered that at such a time only should the question of amalgamation be broached. The reason for this is that the idea of several of the directors that a saving might be effected by having one of the same management for both companies is an impracticable one. The set of men could not be found who could operate the coal properties successfully and at the same time conduct the work of the steel company in a satisfactory manner.

"The only relations between the companies will be that the steel company will make a contract for coal with the 'oca' company, just as the New England Gas & Coke company has done. For the present, at least, the officers and officials of both companies will remain the same. The steel company will at once take advantage of the amount secured by the recent bond issue to complete their new mills, wire-rod, structural iron, and steel plate mills, and in addition will operate their own line of vessels."

The lease which has now been broken came into effect on March 1st, 1902, when Mr. Shields assumed management of both companies. By the lease the steel company had to pay the coal company \$1,600,000 rental and a grant of 7-1-2 cents a ton on every ton of coal mined if the output was over 3,500,000 tons.

THE IRISH LAND BILL.

Remarks Offered by Members of the House of Lords.

LONDON, Aug. 4.—The Duke of Devonshire in moving the second reading of the Irish land bill in the house of lords declared that the government was confident that the expenditure of the \$60,000,000 provided in the bill would be fully compensated for by the economies in the judicial machinery and the reduction in the public expense which the adoption of the measure would render possible.

In conclusion the speaker declared that although it would be rash to predict that it would prove a final settlement of the Irish question, any serious alteration of the bill as adopted by the house of commons would release the contracting parties from the obligations mutually undertaken. "Never before," he said, "had the representatives of the various interests concerned asked parliament to sanction a settlement, the main principles of which they had themselves suggested."

The Duke of Abercorn, Conservative, while appreciating the liberality of the financial provisions of the bill, declared that nothing could recompense the landlords for the losses they would have to sustain. If their rights were lost and their property sold there would be no inducement for the country gentlemen to remain in Ireland. Lord Crewe, Liberal, followed and said that unless the landlords sold on a large scale, serious results would follow, because the unsold estates would become centres of discontent and disturbance.

The Earl of Dunraven, Conservative, congratulated the government, which, he said, was broad and statesmanlike. He regretted, however, that the bill failed to carry out the entire recommendation of the late Irish landlords' and tenants' conference at Dublin.

THE DENVER CONTROVERSY.

Resolutions Passed at the Citizens' Alliance Meeting.

DENVER, Col., Aug. 4.—At the meeting of the Citizens' Alliance last evening, called for the purpose of endorsing the action of the Citizens' Protective League of Idaho Springs, Col., in expelling from that city fourteen members of the local miners' union the day after the blowing up with dynamite of the converter house of the Sun and Moon mine recently, resolutions were adopted commending the course of the alliance of Idaho Springs and the law officers of Clear Creek county, "which, while involving a technical deviation from the letter of the law, became, nevertheless, necessary, owing to the exigencies of the case."

The preamble of the resolutions charges that within the organization of the Western Federation of Miners "there exists a strict, oathbound inner circle, ready and pledged to commit personal violence, murder and destruction of property at the behest and mandate of their leaders, who, in turn, are a law unto themselves and recognize no rights of others; and by unlawful means seek to control some of the most important interests of the state."

The resolutions conclude with an appeal to those in authority to arrest and prosecute all persons who unlawfully carry deadly weapons concealed about their persons.

The meeting was held behind closed doors, admission being by card and the representatives of the press were excluded. It was stated, however, by officials of the alliance that something over 700 were present.

SOVEREIGN LET OUT.

Clarence Smith Gets Lease of Idaho State Tribune.

WALLACE, Idaho, Aug. 4.—John R. Sovereign, formerly grand master of the Knights of Labor, and well known as a labor leader, has been replaced in the management of the Idaho State Tribune, the official organ and personal property of the miners' union of the Coeur d'Alenes. At a meeting of the board of directors the paper was leased to Clarence Smith of Butte. Sovereign, who has had the paper under lease for the past two years, was again an applicant, but was turned down. Other bidders were J. Stark and H. A. Moore.

Smith, who has secured the lease, is at present editor of the American Labor Union Journal, published at Butte, Idaho, during 1897 and 1898. It is believed that the paper will henceforth be more of a labor paper. The new management will assume possession in a few days. Of late the directorate of the paper had become dissatisfied with Sovereign and desired a change.

MOOSOMIN, N. W. T., Aug. 4.—Bert Thrust, 20 years old, was instantly killed last evening on his father's farm south of here by lightning.

AUSTRALIA AND ASIATICS.

Colored Laborers to be Prohibited from Carrying Mail.

An important dispatch from Mr. Chamberlain to the governor general of the Australia Commonwealth with reference to the Australian law prohibiting the employment of Asiatics—in particular Lascars—in the steamships carrying mails between the mother country and Australasia was published yesterday. As late as January 27th last Lord Tanynson reported that the prime minister "could see no prospect of being able to modify the conditions as to the exclusive employment of white labor, and that his government subsequently could not enter into arrangements by which the employment of colored crews after January 31, 1906, would be sanctioned."

Mr. Chamberlain, in the latest dispatch, dated April 17th, regrets that the Australian legislation should render it impossible to co-operate in mail contracts, and that the Commonwealth government should consider it "desirable to dissociate themselves so completely from the obligations and policy of the empire." He points out that: "By the Mutiny Proclamation of 1858 the crown declared itself bound to the natives of its Indian territories by the same obligations of duty which binds it to all its other subjects, and undertook faithfully and conscientiously to fulfill those obligations. It would not be consistent with that undertaking for his majesty's government to become parties to a contract in which the employment of his majesty's Indian subjects in its terms forbidden, on the ground of color only."

The matter, he urges, does not concern the rights of the white population of Australia as against an influx of foreign immigrants, or the conditions of employment of India of his majesty's Indian subjects on a contract to be mainly performed in tropical or sub-tropical waters.

Consequently, the colonial secretary raises the question whether, in the event of the postmaster-general concluding a contract for a fortnightly service to Australia with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation company (at an increased speed) to alternate with a fortnightly service from Australia under contract with the Commonwealth, homeward mails can be put on the vessels of that company under the provisions of section 69 of the Commonwealth Post and Telegraph act of 1901, consistently with the provisions of section 16 (1) of the same measure, notwithstanding the fact that colored crews are employed on such vessels. Would such action come within the limits of the law? The British government assumes that this would not infringe the Australian legislation, and asks the opinion of the Commonwealth.—London Telegraph.

TO REMAIN VICEROY.

Lord Curzon Accepts the Offer to Extend His Term.

SIMLA, India, Aug. 4.—Viceroy Curzon informed the council at today's sitting that he had decided to accept the government's offer of an extension of his term of office, with the permission to take a vacation in England in 1904 should he so desire. Lord Curzon said five years was too short a term for a government which had embarked on wide schemes of reform, and it would be a neglect of duty to abandon his share of the work.

NAPHTHA IN RUSSIA.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 4.—Rich naphtha wells, extending over a distance of 200 versts, have been discovered in the Kuban territory of Cis-Caucasia.

KIDNEY TROUBLE.

CURED BY DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE.

Sufferers from this Disease Are in Great Peril and Should Not Experiment With Other Medicines.

(From the Sun, Seaforth, Ont.)

The kidneys are the most important organ. They must filter every drop of blood in the body. If the blood is weak the kidneys cannot do their work, so the blood is left unfiltered and foul, and the kidneys are left clogged with poisonous impurities. Then come the backaches that mean fatal kidney disease. Don't neglect that backache for a moment. Strike at the root of the very first symptoms of kidney trouble by enriching the blood with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—the only medicine that makes the blood rich, red and health-giving.

Mr. Wm. Holland, of Seaforth, Ont., has proved that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will cure the most obstinate case of kidney trouble. To a reporter of the Sun he freely gave the particulars of his case: "I have suffered from kidney trouble for about two years," said Mr. Holland. "Sometimes the backache which accompanied the trouble would be so severe that I would be unable to work, and have often suffered severely for weeks at a time. I tried a number of medicines said to be a cure for kidney trouble, but I found nothing to help me until on the advice of a friend I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills soon began to make their work felt, and after using them for about a month every vestige of the trouble had disappeared, and I have not since had a single symptom of the disease. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have proved a great blessing to me and I am always glad to say a good word in their favor."

As a curative medicine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have never yet been equalled. They build up the blood and nerves, give new strength and enable the body to resist disease. Among the complaints cured by these pills are rheumatism, nervous disorder, paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, indigestion, anaemia, lung troubles, and the troubles that make the lives of so many women miserable. Sold by all medicine dealers, or sent post paid, 50 cents per box or six boxes for \$2.50, by writing direct to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont. Don't take a substitute at any price—only the genuine pills can cure.

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE WASHINGTON.

and Canadians alike," Montreal Star, "will agree in the action of the author—Paul's cathedral, which has been officially announced, in offering that sacred centre of Antwerp, where repose the reason and other mighty bequest, for a memorial to America's soldier and first president, Washington."

as it may appear, it is true, that few, if any, of us dead, whose monuments are seen in St. Paul's, have a claim on the gratitude of British, a century and a quarter regarded as a traitor to his his country. But George Washington taught the mother country which it has been learning and ever since. In showing her it was to alienate the loyalty of children he pointed out to be retained. It is not too to say that the loss of the Americas in 1776 has proved a gain to the world. Not once, but by England came to perceive that to retain the affection and loyalty of colonies, and so found a world-embracing empire, she was to win them full independence let them govern themselves. The process of disintegration began with the loss of the Americas. It was a bitter and exasperation, which has never needed healed; but, as subsequent events have shown, a most valuable one. Upon England owes to George Washington a national recognition; and the action of the Pilgrims inaugurating the movement for the statue of the great American in London.

Enthusiasm with which the process received in England is an sign of the times. It is an of the strong abiding sense which connects the two great nations of the Eastern and hemispheres. In honoring on the English are but honor of themselves; a hero, belonging to both peoples, who now character can be viewed in the peevish time alone can give, fully admit his genius, integrity and patriotism; and thank God for the ample he has bequeathed to all generations of the Anglo-American.

THE NEW POPE.

selection of a successor to Pope Leo, has evidently resulted in a tie, as happens in many political contests. Followers of Cardinals and Gotti, the most prominent candidates, were expected to remain in support of their favorites, but has been the case. Cardinal name was not even mentioned in the probabilities. Nevertheless, that is said of him, the new pope of St. Peter's chair may well be no unworthy successor to the late and saintly Leo. It seems probable that he will improve the relations between the holy see and some national governments. Of course the distribution of the internal affairs church is of interest only to the adherents, but there are many under his control which are also to the world at large. In this the reign of the late pontiff general benefit, and it is well that his successor's past career should promise of the good work being done.

Americans are very anxious for unity with Canada. They are in best about it. They have discovered that the Canadians are rapidly out of the stage of suicidal wars which profited Uncle Sam impoverished Canada, and they make a bargain before the Cabinet entirely too wise to be gold. The Minnesota branch of the Reciprocity League is quite the propaganda.

MANY SPARKS ARE GONE

Sporting Woman Robbed of Diamonds—Men Arrested.

Captures With Possible Remarkable Denouements.

(From Thursday's Daily.) Four men are lodged in the cells at police headquarters charged with the theft of \$6000 worth of diamonds, the property of Sid Scott, a resident of the St. Paul street section.

The case promises to be the most sensational in the recent history of the local police department. Yesterday evening Sid Scott reported to the police that her house had been entered and her jewels stolen.

The police then went to the shack at the corner of Second avenue and St. Paul street, where the Rumble brothers and Hepp reside.

A sensational discovery was made at the Rumples' cabin when the police searched the premises for the valuables missing from the Scott place.

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mon points and the common points in the Territories. In any event the government never took any action on the question, and it is significant that the Canadian Pacific officials have not since rushed into print on the question.

IN THE POLICE COURT

FIRST BRUSH IN ODAMS CASE CAME YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

VICIOUS DOG DESTROYED—OTHER POLICE NOTES.

(From Thursday's Daily.) The preliminary skirmish in the case of perjury against Harry Odams, of the Josie boarding house, came off yesterday at the police court.

Other minor matters came before the court during the day. The Odams case is somewhat of a cause celebre in police court circles.

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NEWS OF THE COAST

It is reported that the 35 per cent interest of Mr. Frank Leonard in the Empress group of claims, which adjoins the Britannia group on the east, has been purchased by Mr. George H. Robinson of Butte, Mont., at a consideration in the neighborhood of \$20,000.

Among the arrivals from the north on the steamer Princess May, were Commissioner Eva Booth, commander of the Salvation Army forces in Canada, Colonel Jacobs, chief secretary for Canada, and Staff Captain Page, private secretary to the commissioner.

David Bisset Scater, the five-year-old son of James Cleator, ticket agent of the C. P. R. at Vancouver, was crowned while playing on a boom of logs off Stanley park.

A joint stock company, with a capital of \$25,000, is about to be formed to undertake the erection of a new County Orange hall on the site recently purchased by that order at the corner of Hastings street and Gore avenue, Vancouver.

Three thousand acres of valuable agricultural and grazing land, known in the vicinity as the 108-Mile ranch, situated near Lac la Pêche, has been sold by C. H. Tingley to Capt. G. S. Watson, of Abele Grove, Epsom, England.

The Dominion Bridge company of Montreal have commenced the work of laying the steel girders upon piers No 10 and 11 of the new Fraser river bridge.

Surveyors are now at work in the vicinity of Observatory Inlet, apparently in the interest of the Grand Trunk Pacific, but little is known of their movements beyond the fact that they are searching for passes through the Coast ranges.

Fifteen seconds after the face-off Nelson scored its first goal. Two minutes later the visitors again stormed the Rossland citadel.

It is unlikely that there will be any labor ticket in Victoria. Some of the unions will, as such, have nothing to do with politics, and the Socialist element has also split the labor vote, which will now be divided.

The coal company officials have been making vigorous efforts to suppress the habit of carrying lighted matches into the mines. Today eleven men were summoned in Morrissey for this offence, and three were tried from Coal Creek.

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MAKES A BIG HIT

BABY SHOW PROPOSITION FOR CARNIVAL SECURES SUPPORT.

MERCHANTS OFFER A PRIZE AND COMPETITION IS SUGGESTED.

(From Friday's Daily.) The proposal to hold a baby show in connection with the civic celebration is gaining ground.

One prize might be offered for infants in arms, under two years of age, another for children between the ages of two and three years and another for children between three and five years.

The prizes need not necessarily be of great value, and from the number of letters received by Judge Nelson, chairman of the celebration committee, with regard to these prizes, it would appear likely that the committee will not be called upon to donate any of its funds in this direction.

Another gentleman sends the following letter: Dear Sir—Re baby show as proposed by "Interested One" in the morning paper, will say, I think the babies should describe a man as an "Ileelwaeter" who is musical to one accustomed to Indian harmonies though it is a little cumbersome.

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STAKES VALUABLE CLAIM IN DISTRICT UNDER ODD CONDITIONS.

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He states that on arrival at the gold mine he found that a claim immediately adjacent to the celebrated Lucky Jack was vacant ground.

It is reported that the Rossland man to find contrary was the case, and his stakes forthwith.

to his own claim he has under bond. The most wonderful free gold ever seen or heard of.

He tells stories of half a ton of rock literally seamed with metal, and of guns that were fired on the ore dumps.

Lucky Jack claim the owners guard to prevent the theft. It was reported that this claim was likely to be worth \$75,000 cash, negotiations being then under way.

Ed Hill, claim, the owner, has covered up the lead and rock, while he went to his lot to see if he has any more.

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Failure of English Crop May Help Canadian Fruit.

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MONTREAL, Aug. 3.—The Star's London cable says: The practical failure of the fruit crop in England, which is without parallel in the memory of the country.

CANSO, N. S., Aug. 3.—The large store of Whitman & Son was destroyed by fire this morning.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 3.—With three polls to hear from, Robson, Conservative, has 71 majority in Swan river over Cotton, Liberal, and is likely elected.

TORONTO, Aug. 3.—The strike inaugurated on June 1st by the painters and decorators' union was called off at a well attended meeting held yesterday afternoon in Richmond hall.

MONTREAL, Aug. 3.—The steamer Lake Manitoba, aground in the harbor here since Thursday morning, was released this morning and will sail as soon as her lightered cargo can be shipped.

MONTREAL, Aug. 3.—The Longshoremen's union has fired its business agent, J. G. O'Neill, formerly of Bay City, Michigan.

MR. BAYNE'S MISHAP

ROSSLAND MAN HAD TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE WITH BIG BEAR.

FRIGHTFULLY TORN AND LACERATED IN CHANCE ENCOUNTER.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Reports are just to hand from the Lardeau respecting an encounter between George H. Bayne, managing director of the Homestake mine here, and a big silver-tip bear, in which Mr. Bayne came within an ace of losing his life.

The story of the incident is told with some considerable detail. Mr. Bayne left Rossland a fortnight since for the Lardeau. On Tuesday of last week he went into the hills with J. H. Kennedy to look at some property, and the two were returning home after completing the inspection.

"We stepped upon a large fallen tree, where there was a little opening in the undergrowth. We turned, and looking behind, saw a large silver-tip bear jump on the log some 10 or 15 feet from us. We both jumped to escape down the hill, but Bayne's foot caught a bough and he fell by the side of the log. I got about 40 feet away when I knew that the bear had attacked Bayne. We had no weapons of any sort and we had very little time to use them.

Mr. Cherrington's offer is couched in rather an amusing vein. He writes as follows: Ritchie Building, Columbia Ave., Rossland, B. C., Aug. 3, 1908. To Judge Nelson, Chairman of Carnival Committee, Rossland, B. C.

Dear Sir.—With reference to the baby show that you propose to hold in connection with the summer carnival, I wish to state that although I am a childless old bachelor, I take the greatest interest in the proposed exhibition.

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ragged gaping wound. The man was in a truly pitiable and terrible condition as the result of that few seconds' onslaught of the infuriated brute.

At the Ferguson hospital on Wednesday it was found under chloroform that the left side of the forehead and face are torn away, laying bare facial muscles and bone; left eyelid and eyebrow lacerated and torn; left ear torn to pieces; scalp from forehead to neck literally torn and chewed to shreds;

one large laceration extending from left eye to left ear and around back of head to near right ear. Mr. Bayne remembers distinctly that this latter wound was caused by a blow from the bear's paw. The right hand is badly chewed and bruised. There are no signs of "fracture of base of skull," although slight symptoms of intracranial hemorrhage are present.

Mr. Bayne is very weak from shock, loss of blood and his long journey after the accident.

TO SEE THEM DRILL

COLONEL HOLMES COMING SOON TO INSPECT THE MILITIA.

COMPANY DRILLS NIGHTLY TO PREPARE FOR INSPECTION.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) The annual inspection ordeal for the Rossland militia corps will eventuate a week from Thursday, when Lieutenant-Colonel Holmes, D. O. C., will be here to inspect the corps.

Incidentally a variety of important matters relating to the company will be brought to the attention of Colonel Holmes, during his stay in the city. The district officer commanding has achieved a wide reputation in British Columbia and other parts of the Dominion for maintaining a fostering interest in the militia units under his immediate command, and there are several matters in which his assistance will be of very great value to the Rossland Rangers.

An effort is being made to have the members of the band sworn in as members of the company, in which event they would be entitled to accoutrements from the government and the \$6 per man annual drill allowance, which goes into company funds and is used for new instruments, attachments, etc.

It is especially desirable that all the members of the company should be on parade for the inspection, inasmuch as the company's drill allowance is based on the showing made at this juncture. The funds thus accruing from the government are pooled for the maintenance of the company.

A departure is to be made this year in the manner of holding the inspection. A parade will be ordered at 4:30 in the afternoon and Colonel Holmes will probably have the new skirmish drill applied in the open air.

THE CITIZENS' SUPPLY COMPANY OF GRAND FORKS, YALE, CARRYING ON BUSINESS AS GENERAL MERCHANTS, has assigned to Wm. Speir, manager of the Eastern Township Bank at Grand Forks, B. C.

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ORE IN SILVER KING

AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY MADE BY M. S. DAVYS, THE LESSEE.

STRINGER OF RICH ORE HAS WIDENED OUT INTO A GOOD LEAD.

NELSON, Aug. 3.—At the well known Silver King mine on Toad mountain a four and one-half foot vein of solid ore has been struck, in which the values in copper and silver run from \$50 to \$100 to the ton.

The property was shut down a year ago by the owners, the Hall Mines company, diamond drill work on the lower levels having given unsatisfactory results. It was then leased by M. S. Davys, who had formerly been in charge of the mine for the company, and worked on a small scale.

Mr. Davys believed that development work on the fourth and fifth levels would result in the finding of the original lead of the mine. After several months of work he encountered a rich stringer of ore on the fifth level, in which the values were high enough to pay all working expenses and give good profits as well. Work was continued along this stringer, and now it has broadened out into a lead nearly five feet wide with clearly defined walls.

THE B. C. GAZETTE. Features of Last Week's Issue of Official Publication.

The current issue of the B. C. Gazette contains the following appointments: To be justices of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia: Bernard Croft Murray, of Trout Lake; Wm. Henry Wood, of the city of Vancouver; Wm. Marryfield, of Mount Lehman; T. Watts, of Steveston.

Charles R. Hamilton, of the city of Rossland, barrister at law, to be a court of revision and appeal for the Rossland assessment district, vice Mr. J. L. G. Abbott, resigned.

Alexander Henderson, of the city of Vancouver, judge of the county of Vancouver, to be a stipendiary magistrate in and for the county of Vancouver.

Andrew Leamy, of the city of Greenwood, judge of the county of Yale, to be a stipendiary magistrate in and for the county of Yale.

Wm. Russell and Albert Onions, of Victoria, have been appointed commissioners for taking affidavits under the provincial elections act, 1902.

H. C. Lucas, of Comox, baker, has assigned to Simon Leiser, of Victoria. A meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of Messrs. Bodwell & Duff on August 4th at 11 o'clock a. m.

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THE SPIRIT OF PAUL. A Noted Chicago Preacher's Reference to Pope Leo.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—The Rev. Gon-salus of Chicago, preaching in the Col- legiate church here, took for his text the words of Paul: "I must see Rome." He referred briefly to recent events in Rome, and in concluding said: "As we turn our eyes toward Rome we are im- pelled to think of it as St. Peter's Rome rather than the Rome that Paul was constrained to see. As the ages passed Rome became more and more the seat of Peter's theology and his methods, as when he drew the sword." Dr. Gon-salus described Peter's nature as "large and rich and blundering," and said that he was never safe ex- cept when acting under the direct in- fluence of Christ. Leo XIII had at- tained, he said, to his great influence in the world because in him it had become more the spirit of Paul. He added: "The world of today did not in- quire so much as to whether in Leo XIII it beheld the successor of Peter as whether in him Paul did not once more see Rome. By this we shall see a more glorious Rome, a Rome with bet- ter civilization, with greater light, than the Rome of old, a Rome which upholds no monarch in the absolute power, a Rome without a beggar in its streets."

THE SILVER COMMISSION. Report on the Consultations Held at European Centres.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—A report has been received at the United States state department from the United States monetary commission which is investi- gating the question of currency for silver-using countries.

The commission has visited London, Paris, The Hague and Berlin, and was expecting to leave for St. Petersburg in a short time. According to the report, the proposal of the American commis- sion for a ratio of 32 to 1 for a new silver currency for Oriental countries generally been well received, al- though the French commission sug- gested the ratio of 31 to 1, which is one half of the French ratio at the present time. The representatives of the Chi- nese government have manifested a very great interest in the proceedings of the commission as the different European capitals that have been visited.

DODGED THE MOB. A North Carolina Sheriff Succeeds in Preventing a Lynching.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Aug. 3.—Wil- ford Roseboro, the negro who is charged with having assaulted Mrs. D. Beavers in Iredell county, then murdering her and throwing her body into a well, is in the Charlotte jail. He was brought here last night by Sheriff Summers of Iredell county for safe keeping. He was captured in Polk county and taken to Asheville jail. When it became known in Statesville that the sheriff was coming there with his prisoner, a mob be- gan to form for the purpose of lynching Roseboro. This was just before the arrival of the train. Sheriff Summers eluded the mob, however, and took his prisoner to Mooresville by private con- veyance and there caught a train for Charlotte. Mrs. Long, of Rocky Mount, who was assaulted Saturday by a negro, on regaining consciousness said her assailant was named Till Black. His capture is certain.

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STRUCK BY A TRAIN. Occupants of an Automobile are Badly Hurt.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—Albert J. Fisk, his wife and baby and his friend, David W. Ellis, have narrowly escaped death in a collision between their automobile and a motor train on the Brooklyn Rapid Transit road. The automobile was upset and smashed, the occupants being hurled out with great force. None of them were seriously injured. Mr. Ellis lives in Flint, Mich. He was visiting his friend at the latter's home in Brook- lyn. In returning from a trip on Long Island they sped along Jamaica avenue. They heard a motor behind them and finally drew up to let it pass. There was not enough room, but the motorist evidently thought so and the train moving at a good speed caught the auto- mobile on the side. It was hurled against the curb and was torn to pieces. Mrs. Fisk, who was holding her baby, managed to shield the little one in her arms when she fell, and it was unhurt.

PHILIPPINE REBELS. Get Plenty of Arms and Otherwise Prepare to Give Trouble.

VICTORIA, Aug. 3.—W. C. Deering of Chicago, who arrived from the Orient by the steamer Tacoma, in an interview given to a local paper says that although the people of the United States may not be aware of the fact, the insurgents in the Philippine islands are organizing and drilling, and the trouble there is far from over. He says they are continually landing arms on the island coasts, and the patrol is looked upon as a farce, the schooners laden with contraband having no difficulty in running their cargoes. He also says that man deserters from the United States army and broken down British and European soldiers are in the rebels' service.

SUGAR BOUNTIES. A Question Relating to the American Article in Britain.

LONDON, Aug. 3.—In the house of commons today replying to Mr. Lough, Liberal, who asked whether communi- cations had passed between the govern- ments of the United States and Great Britain relative to the possibility of the prohibition of American bounty aided sugar if the sugar convention bill carried, Viscount Cranborne said that the decision whether the sugar was aided by bounties lay entirely with the commission dealing with the subject. In the absence of such finding there was no call for any action on the part of the British government.

COTTON MILLS IDLE. Many Suspend on Account of the Cotton Situation.

BOSTON, Aug. 3.—In addition to the mills that have announced a suspen- sion during August because of the cotton situation others today followed this action in Amesbury, Massachusetts, Middletown and Higganum, Connecti- cut, Nassau, New Hampshire, and Lew- isville, Maine. The extent of the curtail- ment in Fall River this week is 750,000 spindles in the Butee, Cornell, Syfford, Border City, Davol, Union, Chace, Narragansett, Robeson and Westmore corporations.

COLIMA IS ACTIVE. The Mexican Volcano Sends Out Lava and Smoke.

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 3.—A dispatch from Colima says the Colima volcano is in eruption. Great clouds of smoke are issuing from the volcano and are being carried to the northeast by a strong wind.

It is stated that another flow of lava has occurred, but the dense smoke that surrounds the mountain makes it im- possible to determine exactly what has happened. The outbreak has been ac- companied by loud detonations. No re- ports of serious damage have been re- ceived, but the people in the nearby villages are great, very alarmed and many have left for other districts.

CHINESE QUESTIONS. The Prohibition of Arms — Question of Jurisdiction.

BERLIN, Aug. 3.—The North Ger- man Gazette today prints a statement regarding the negotiation at Peking for the renewal of the prohibition of the im- portation of arms into China. It as- sumes that the idea of an agreement has tacitly dropped, and that each power will revoke its special order establish- ing the prohibition.

PEKIN, Aug. 3.—The question has arisen among the foreign ministers as to whether they have jurisdiction at Shanghai in the case of the editor and staff of the Chinese reform paper, who was arrested in 1907 for throwing bombs.

IN SANTO DOMINGO. New Government Installed and Country Quieted Down.

SANTO DOMINGO, Aug. 3.—The new government of Santo Domingo has been installed and is composed as follows: Senor M. J. Galvan, foreign minister; Senor Espallat, minister of war; Senor J. B. Rache, minister of finance; Senor J. O. Pichard, minister of agriculture; Senor Pido, minister of posts and tele- graphs; Senor Febles, minister of the interior; Senor Despradell, minister of justice.

The country is quiet and business is increasing. The government intends to favor agricultural enterprises.

SOME MAY DIE. Twenty-Two People Injured in a Rail- way Collision.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 3.—A special train from Harjard City, Ind., says a head-on collision at 2:40 this morning between a westbound Pullman freight and the eastbound passenger injured 22 people. Some may die.

IN A LIGHT BREEZE

SHAMROCK MADE GOOD TIME IN A TRIAL RACE YES- TERDAY.

LEFT THE OLDER BOAT FAR BE- HIND, THOUGH LATTER WAS FAVORED.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—Sir Thomas Lipton and party arrived today from Niagara Falls and were taken direct- ly on board the Erin. The Erin left immediately for Sandy Hook, where the Shamrocks were to be taken out for a trial. The wind was from the east- ward and blowing at about four miles.

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS, Aug. 3.—With all the luck against her Shamrock III today again proved herself a splen- did racer in light winds by beating her pacemaker, Shamrock I, by nine minutes and 57 seconds in a thirty mile windward and leeward race off Sandy Hook. The new boat pointed higher and sailed faster than Shamrock I throughout the race, and in the opinion of her crew gave a wonderful exhibi- tion. Shamrock I was a mile astern at the finish.

Beating out to the mark Shamrock III gained a big lead, only to lose a portion of it by a slant of wind which tem- porarily helped the old boat to out- point her. Though Shamrock I had the better of a freshening breeze in the run to the finish line, the challenger more than trebled the distance of her lead over Shamrock I, but the yacht was sailing much faster at the finish than at the turn, and the challenger's gain in time was much less than in distance.

The wind was not better than five knots when the boats crossed the start- ing line. The cup hunter, by outpoint- ing the other, working up from a position on the old boat's bow, until an hour after the start she was nearly a mile ahead, though not to windward. The new boat seemed to be eight min- utes ahead. They passed within three miles of Long Branch and Elbow in that order. Off West End, Shamrock III made a short tack off shore and then fetched to a point off Ocean Grove. Shamrock I, carrying a more favorable slant, and thereby gaining materially, was not forced to tack un- til off Ocean Grove, and then both boats headed for the mark with the challenger leading. Shamrock I from a windward position fetched the turn, but Captain Wringle had to make two spin tacks. Both boats broke out shortnakers and balloon jib topsails for the run back to the starting line. All the way home the challenger ran like a witch in the freshened breeze. Rarely before had she given such a splendid exhibition of speed in running before the wind.

Following is the summary: Shamrock III..... 1:12:17 4:11:00 Shamrock I..... 1:12:17 4:21:17

SEATTLE THUGS. A Ruffianly Attack Made on a Klondike Millionaire.

SEATTLE, Aug. 3.—Thomas S. Lip- py, the Klondike millionaire, was con- fronted by two masked burglars in his home on returning from church last night. He was beaten over the head with a revolver, bound, gagged and tied to a post of his stairway. A ser- vant girl, previously surprised by the burglars, and tied to the stairway, witnessed the attack on her employer. Lippy was robbed of two gold watches and \$14, all the money on his person. His wounds are considered quite serious.

IRISH LAND BILL. Passed Its Second Reading in the House of Lords.

LONDON, Aug. 3.—One of the stoutest opponents of the land bill in the house of lords was Viscount Hampden. Lib- eral, who characterized it as thoroughly mischievous and corrupt. He said it would result in a land war more fierce and embittered than any which had preceded. The discussion was con- cluded soon after midnight, when the bill was passed to a second reading without division.

THE NORCROSS FAILURE. BOSTON, Aug. 3.—Judge Brown, in the United States court today, author- ized Messrs. Lucy and Smith, the re- ceivers of the firm of Norcross Brothers Company, limited, to issue and nego- tiate at their discretion from time to time six per cent receiver's certificates of indebtedness of convenient denomi- nations, not to exceed in the aggregate \$25,000. These certificates, by their terms will be a lien on all property in the hands of the receivers as obliga- tions incidental to the receivership.

ARMENIANS BURNED OUT. CONSTANTINOPOLE, Aug. 3.—A con- flagration has devastated the town of Armenk in the vilayet of Adana, Asia Minor. The mosque and other buildings, four hundred shops and sixty houses were destroyed. The population is in the greatest distress. A relief fund has been started.

PLENTY OF CHALLENGES. MONTREAL, Aug. 3.—Before the last race for the Seawanhaka cup ended a challenge was received by cable from the Royal Portsmouth Corinthian Yacht club. Another came later from the White Bear Lake club, St. Paul, Minn. An intimation has been received of a challenge from Finland.

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AT THE COURT HOUSE

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS PROCEEDING ACTIVELY—THE COURT.

NEW OFFICE HOURS ARRANGED FOR ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

The registration of voters at the courthouse is proceeding actively. Up to yesterday there were a total of 722 names placed on the voters' list. It is now estimated that about 850 names will be placed in the list all told, but if special activity is displayed it is possible the aggregate might be nearer 900, the latter figure being regarded as the outside limit.

Only eight days remain during which names may be placed on the voters' list.

The list will close at 5 o'clock on the night of the 14th inst. That is to say, every application for the list must be in the hands of the collector of votes by the hour and date specified. This is slightly different from the notices posted about the city, which leave the inference that votes can only be registered up to the 14th; the fact is, however, that the lists are open up to and including the date specified. The court of revision on the voters' list is set off for the 31st inst. The government office is open nightly for the registration of voters between 7:30 and 9 o'clock. A clerk is on duty at these hours, but only half a dozen people have taken advantage of the extra hours up to the present time.

This week a new set of regulations governing government offices takes effect, whereby office hours are lengthened. In future the offices of the gold commissioner, mining recorder and government agents generally will be open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., instead of 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. as formerly. The supreme and county court registries will close to the public at 4 o'clock as formerly, but the registrars will be on duty until 5 o'clock. This rule does not take effect so far as the registry offices are concerned until the close of the long vacation on September 30.

IT MAY COME YET

UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION BOARD FOR THIS DISTRICT. COMMISSIONER HEALY SAYS MATTER IS STILL UNDER AD- VISEMENT.

The appointment of a United States immigration board of inspection for the Rossland district of the Kootenays is still under advisement by the United States immigration department, and a decision on the matter is expected at a comparatively early date. The recommendation for the appointment of such a board is ready to forward to Washington, and the government usually acts promptly in such matters.

Such a board would substantially facilitate the passage of immigrants through this district to Washington and other states on the border.

David Healy of Vancouver, commissioner of immigration for British Columbia, and H. W. Bartlett, inspector, with headquarters at Grand Forks, are in the city today, and will be here until this evening. Mr. Healy is en route to the coast from Spokane, where he met and conferred with Commissioner Watchorn of Montreal, who directs the operations of all immigration officials of the United States who are located in Canada. Montreal being the headquarters of all trans-Atlantic steamship lines, is naturally the centre of the U. S. immigration department north of the international boundary line. Commissioner Healy is in charge of the U. S. immigration officials in British Columbia, and has special supervision over the department's business at the trans-Pacific ports.

The department expects that Rossland will be the portal of exit for numerous immigrants to the United States, experience having shown that a greater or less percentage of foreigners invariably seek to enter the United States after a boom such as the Northwest Territories are experiencing at the present juncture.

NELSON GETS THE JOB

THE "POET OF THE PINES" APPOINTED CITY SOLICITOR.

J. STILWELL CLUTE A FAVORITE—ENGINEER'S PREDICTION.

William James Nelson, the "Poet of the Pines," is Rossland's new city solicitor. At last night's meeting he secured the appointment by a majority of one in the balloting to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal from the city of J. L. G. Abbott, who had discharged the duties of solicitor to the corporation for several years. The post carries a salary of \$70 per month, with additional remuneration when the solicitor is requested to go out of the city on legal business for the corporation.

J. Stilwell Clute was a close second in the race for the city solicitorship. In accordance with a notice of motion respecting the vacancy, the matter was brought up towards the end of last night's council meeting. Under the rules of council governing such points, the

selection was made by ballot. J. Stilwell Clute was nominated by Alderman Talbot, W. J. Nelson by Mayor Dean and J. A. Macdonald by Alderman McKichan. The latter nomination was pressed after Mayor Dean had stated that Mr. Macdonald positively declined to accept the position. On a ballot being taken, Mr. Nelson received four votes and Mr. Clute three. The mayor then declared Mr. Nelson appointed.

Major VanBuskirk, city engineer, is in an odd predicament. He is offered a splendid position in an eastern city, with the qualification that the reply in the affirmative must be forwarded last night. He expected that after three years' faithful service, and a cut in his salary at the first of the present year, the council would be prepared to waive the thirty-day notice set forth in a resolution passed by the present council, but counted without his host. Mayor Dean opposed allowing the engineer to depart on such short notice, and while Aldermen Daniel, Dunlop, Talbot and Armstrong were prepared to waive red tape, the matter fell through. Mayor VanBuskirk will, therefore, remain in Rossland.

CITY NEWS

(From Wednesday's Daily.) T. G. Blackstock, managing director of the War Eagle-Centre Star companies, accompanied by Charles M. Eye, mill superintendent, made a trip to Silica yesterday and spent several hours in an inspection of the mill and reduction works there.

The faucet for the "Father Pat" memorial fountain reached here yesterday and was immediately placed in position by W. Busch, who had the contract for the plumbing. The faucet is a lion's head in bronze, making a neat appearance. The drinking cups are of white metal.

William Brown, landing waiter at the Rossland customs office, is critically ill in a Victoria hospital. Advice received here yesterday from his attendant physician were to the effect that his ailment is intestinal tuberculosis, and his condition extremely precarious. Rossland friends hope sincerely that a change for the better will be manifested at an early date.

The city council has raised the subscription to the summer carnival \$50. A week ago notice of motion was given that the city's donation would be \$200. The celebration committee protested vigorously against this sum on the ground that it was altogether too small. These protests were mainly directed to Mayor Dean and Aldermen Daniel, both of whom belong to the committee. Last night the council voted a subscription of \$250, which will probably satisfy everyone.

R. C. Morgan, superintendent of the Spokane Falls & Northern railway, has written the city council to state that his company is willing to cut drains on the company lands covered by the swamp north of Fourth avenue and between Washington and St. Paul streets. After examining the new city flume, however, he finds that an area lying between the northern end of the flume and the company's property is not covered as yet, and desires to know if the city will make this connection. Such a system of drains as proposed by Mr. Morgan on the railway company's lands would obviate the danger of such floods as occurred last spring.

The case of Harry Odams, proprietor of the Josie boarding house, was partially proceeded with at yesterday's session of the police court. J. Stilwell Clute and J. A. Macdonald appeared for the crown and defendant was represented by J. H. MacNeill, K. C. The charge was that of perjury. The crown sought to prove that in a previous case before the police court defendant Odams had sworn that during his regime at the Josie boarding house he had never sold liquor, whereas the contrary was shown by the evidence of witnesses. The defence set up a general denial under the statute, and on the conclusion of the case for the prosecution Mr. MacNeill moved for the dismissal of the action on the grounds set forth in argument. John Kirkup, stipendiary magistrate, occupied the bench, and reserved his decision on the motion until today. In event of an adverse ruling, the defence will proceed with its side of the case.

PERSONALS

Henry Kehoe of Spokane, a well known mining man, is in the city. J. E. Rice, general agent of the Great Western Insurance company, is registered at the Palace Hotel. Fred C. Elliott, a well known barrister of Trout Lake, was in the city over night. E. M. Sandilands, a Slocan mining man, spent the night here. David Healy of Vancouver and H. M. Bartlett of Grand Forks, officials of the United States immigration department, spent last evening and today in the city. They are registered at the Hotel Allan. D. Campbell McGregor of Vancouver is registered at the Hotel Allan. Eugene Croteau left yesterday morning on a business trip to the Dumas mine in the Tair district. Frank Cozzallo was ticketed to New York over the Spokane Falls & Northern yesterday. T. J. Powers left for Toronto via the S. F. & N. yesterday. J. S. McLeod left yesterday morning for Wallace, Idaho. Mrs. Ralph Harron has gone to Seattle on a visit. D. J. Tuttle has returned to Portland after visiting relatives in Rossland. R. C. Rankin left yesterday morning for Portland. C. H. Fankin was ticketed to Pittsburgh, Pa., over the S. F. & N. yesterday. Elmer A. Rolf left yesterday for Vancouver on a business trip.

NEWS FROM THE EAST

A Fatal Shooting Affair in a Northwest Railway Camp.

Many Immigrants Still Coming from British Points.

ERWOOD, N. W. T., Aug. 4.—A startling report reached here today. It stated that a timekeeper named Van Alstyne, employed in the Canadian Northern construction camp sixty miles west of here, shot and killed a man. Upon further investigation it was learned that there was a row among a gang of Galician laborers, who wanted their time checks, which were refused by Van Alstyne. The laborers assumed a threatening attitude, and Van Alstyne in self defence fired into the crowd, killing one of their number. Van Alstyne left the camp and the authorities have not been able to apprehend him.

MONTREAL, Aug. 4.—The Star's London cable says: Lord Strathcona in an interview in the Daily Graphic admits that Canada will not be willing to lightly surrender her fiscal independence, but denies the necessity, and exists the arrangement for the most complete mutual benefit, while they interpose a tariff against the outside world. "Why should they resent the establishment of a mutually benefitting arrangement between the states of Great Britain? We do not resent any part of the domestic policy of the United States. Why should her citizens as business men resent any change in Great Britain's domestic policy?" Lord Strathcona added that he believed that throughout Canada today there exists the greatest confidence in Mr. Chamberlain. "Canada believes in him, and trusts his judgment and ability," he said.

Official advice from the imperial treasury published in Australia shows that the Pacific cable is expected to have to face a loss of \$1,000,000 on March 31st next. The expenditure for the first year while the line was under construction was \$600,000, of which Canada pays \$166,666. The estimated loss on the current year of \$460,500 makes the total deficit, \$1,000,000.

TORONTO, Aug. 4.—The Canadian Pacific railway, Grand Trunk railway or any other all-Canadian route, said J. E. Rice, general agent of the Great Western Insurance company, today, will never voluntarily carry a load of wheat by an all-Canadian railway route around the Great Lakes to an eastern Canadian port for shipment abroad, for the simple reason that it will never pay any road to do so. Nor will the transportation problems of the west ever be solved by the construction of an all-Canadian route from coast to coast.

TORONTO, Aug. 4.—The News' London cable says: It is officially announced that Hon. Edward Blake has resigned his appointment as counsel before the Alaskan boundary commission. The step was necessitated by the serious nature of his illness. Every second cabin berth on steamers leaving for Canada is engaged right up till September. Those unable to secure passage direct are going to Canada via New York. The Canadian emigration office has not received a single letter of complaint from the Barr colony emigrants.

OTTAWA, Aug. 4.—At the privileges and elections committee today the majority of the committee decided that Mr. M. P. for Beauharnois, did not in any way violate the independence of parliament act by reason of the sale of the property which was held by him, and which was purchased from him and afterwards sold by the purchaser for a postoffice site at Valleyfield. Mr. Loy had no knowledge that the site was to be used. Mr. Monk presented a minority report. The house this afternoon decided to refer the question of printing the report and evidence to the printing committee.

The house afterwards took up Minister Fielding's resolution on the bounties for steel and iron. Mr. Fielding explained the resolutions, and Mr. Borden said he was glad to see that the government had wakened up to the necessity of protecting this industry.

SENATOR HANNA'S ADDRESS.

Talks of the Work Done by the Civic Federation.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 4.—United States Senator Hanna in an address devoted to an explanation of the purpose of the Civic Federation, of which he is chairman, delivered before the members of the Cleveland Builders' Exchange, said in part: "Since the organ-

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CRAZY AERONAUTS.

Make an Ascension With a Car Containing Two Lions.

PARIS, Aug. 4.—M. Henry, a lion tamer, accompanied by M. Le Wellat and Du Chateau, aeronauts, ascended from Roubaix in a balloon, with a special car in which were two lions, the men sitting on a platform above. The animals displayed little interest at the outset, seeming to enjoy the trip, but when the balloon was released and shot upward they became terrified, crouched at the bottom of the car and whined piteously. Soon afterwards a sudden down rush of gas nearly suffocated both men and animals. Du Chateau fainted, and the others were made ill. The lions lay motionless, and when the balloon descended they were stretched on the floor apparently lifeless. They slowly recovered, however. Restoratives were necessary for Du Chateau.

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CHINESE SEDITION.

Utterances for Which a Shanghai Editor was on Trial.

VICTORIA, Aug. 4.—News was received from Shanghai by the Empress of Japan that the trial of the editor and staff of the Chinese newspaper Supao, who were charged with sedition, caused great excitement. The seditious articles published in the newspapers urged Chinese to rise and slay the Chinese emperor and the Manchus. There is also a review of a book which urges the dethroning of the ruling dynasty. The Chinese emperor is referred to by his personal name, Tsai Tsen, which is not permitted, and is also labelled "Petty thief." The Supao also states in the articles complained of that though the emperor is a private friend of Kang Yu Wei, head revolutionist, he is an enemy of the Chinese race and should be exterminated with all Manchus. Some of the articles are very fiery, as shown by the following quotation: "When we have slain the Manchus then only will we stay our hands. Let us hasten to murder." And, "Our present purpose of murder is the purpose of revenge."

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the buildings and equipment thereon. Boundary District. The "Neta" mineral claim, crown-granted, situated in what is known as "Brewn's Camp," and the "Queen of Spades" mineral claim, crown-granted, situated in what is known as "Central Camp." The Laska Group, comprising 15 crown-granted mineral claims, or fractional claims, situated on the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway, near Illecillewaet, B. C. Further particulars and conditions of sale and forms of tender (which are to be sent in not later than the 15th August, 1903), may be obtained gratis of the Liquidators, College Hill Chambers, College Hill, London, E. C., and J. V. Armstrong, Revelstoke, British Columbia. Dated 15th June, 1903.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Red Mountain Railway company will be held at the office of MacNeill & Deacon, Miner block, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Wednesday, the 9th day of September, 1903, at the hour of five o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of election of directors, passing of bylaws, and all other matters that may legally come before such meeting. Dated this 3rd day of August, 1903. A. M. THOMAS, Secretary.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice.

One Eye See mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Division of West Kootenay District, Where located: On the divide between Murphy and Rock creeks. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for Mrs. Alwilda Simpson, free miner's certificate No. B71507, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 27th day of July, A. D. 1903. N. F. TOWNSEND.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice.

Benbolt and Big Casino mineral claims situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Lookout mountains near Rossland. Take notice that I, Charles Robert Hamilton, free miner's certificate No. B75,473, acting as agent for John Wells free miner's certificate No. B30,164, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims. And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. CHARLES ROBERT HAMILTON, Rossland, B. C. Dated the 10th day of July, A. D. 1903.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

VULCAN FRACTIONAL MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 1 1/2 miles east of Rossland, bounded by the Camp Mammoth, Antelope and Venus mineral claims. Take notice that I, Thomas S. Gilmour, free miner's certificate No. B77,448, acting as agent for Andrew D. Provand, London, England, free miner's certificate No. B57,144, 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. Dated the 11th day of May, 1903. THOS. S. GILMOUR.

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