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THE EVENING STAR

Work on This Property Resumed by the Drumheller Faction.

ORE IN THE SOVEREIGN

A Two-Foot Body Encountered That Assays From \$5 to \$15—Lillooet-Fraser River & Cariboo Gold Fields to Re-commence Operations Here.

A crew of five men started to work Monday in the Evening Star on a contract to continue work in the main tunnel past the point of intersection with the shaft. The big dyke which was met some distance back seems to have been entirely overcome, and the vein is now well defined, with little indication of faulting. For the past 15 feet a good body of ore has been coming in until now about 18 inches of promising mineral is being opened up. Values are ranging from \$5 to \$12. The ore is arsenical iron formation that is characteristic of the property. Jerome Drumheller, who is managing the property for the faction which is now in control, is expected to arrive in town in a few days.

HAS FUNDS FOR WORK.

Lillooet-Fraser River & Cariboo Gold Fields to Resume Operations.

M. F. Barasch, the engineer of the Lillooet-Fraser River & Cariboo Gold Fields, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday, and is at the Allen. Mr. Barasch, who left Europe about two months ago, shortly after the reorganization of the company, is arranging for the immediate resumption of work on the properties owned by the gold fields, and his mission in Rossland is to look after the revival of operations on the City of Spokane, the company's well known property up Centre Star gulch.

Mr. Barasch authorized the announcement that it is the intention to resume operations on an extensive scale on the City of Spokane in about a month. Probably 25 or 30 men, and perhaps more, will be employed.

"The company intends to start work again on its properties all over the province," said Mr. Barasch, "and besides reviving the development of its holdings in this locality it expects to acquire further properties in the camp, on which active work will be undertaken."

Struck a Body of Ore.

The tunnel on the Sovereign, on Lookout mountain, is now in about 125 feet, and a two-foot body of ore has been opened up. The mineral is an iron pyrites, with a little copper, although the latter is not present in very large quantities. Assays run from \$5 to \$15, and Gus Peterson, one of the owners, who was up yesterday, says that an average is close to \$10.

The shaft is down about 45 feet, and considerable quartz is being encountered, from which good values are being obtained. There is about two and a half feet of quartz in sight at the bottom of the shaft, and the gangue is a diorite, carrying some mineral. Assays as high as \$20 are being obtained from the shaft, says Mr. Peterson, and an average would be about \$15. These figures are for gold alone, as no tests have been made for either copper or silver.

Gold Cup Turning Out Well.

Messrs. Rolt & Grogan are much pleased with the manner in which the Gold Cup group is turning out. This group was recently sold through them to the Marquette Gold Mining company, which has since begun operations and have a force of eight men at work.

The main shaft that is being sunk on the Gold Cup is now down a distance of 50 feet. At this depth three veins have been exposed, which is evidently the result of squeezing in of the country rock. It is expected that the three will merge into one as soon as more depth is attained. The largest of the three veins is three feet wide and has a paystreak that is two feet wide carrying gold and galena. The assays show that this ore carries \$35 in gold, 28 ounces silver, 5.6 per cent copper and 28 per cent lead, but all three of the veins carry shipping ore.

Dear Park Force to Be Doubled.

A telegram was received Monday by A. S. Goodve from F. W. Mullahall, manager of the Dear Park, who is in Toronto. Mr. Mullahall states that he had been directed to at once double the working force in the mine, as the officers are greatly pleased with the showing that has been made. It has also been decided to begin shipping ore to the smelter just as soon as the road leading from the mine to the railway becomes sufficiently hard to be good for hauling over. On the strength of the recent strike of shipping ore in the mine a number of offers have been received to lease the property and pay the company a good royalty, but these have been refused.

Will Transfer the Property.

A meeting of the shareholders of the Montreal-Red Mountain Gold Fields company, limited, will be held at the office of the company in this city on May 23. The object of the meeting is to consider a bylaw passed by the board providing for the sale and transfer of the property of the company to another company to be hereafter incorporated and having objects similar to those of the Montreal-Red Mountain Gold Fields company.

Gladstone's Health Declining.

HAWKERS, April 20.—The bulletin issued today regarding the health of the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone says: "The condition of the patient is not quite so favorable as it has been recently."

THE SMELTER AT TRAIL.

It is Practically Being Rebuilt so That Smelting May Be Cheapened.

The Canadian Pacific railway, which recently secured the smelter at Trail, is preparing to spend \$100,000 on improvements which will permit of the reduction of Rossland ores at the lowest possible cost. W. H. Aldridge, the general manager of the works, is now receiving bids from some of the biggest manufacturers of smelter machinery in Canada and the United States, for the new equipment that will be required. Tenders have been submitted by eight different companies, and as soon as the contract is let, which will be at once, work will be commenced on the contemplated improvements.

The present reverberatory will be replaced by blast, which will bring the capacity of the works up to 500 tons per day, and a complete new system of electrical machinery will be installed, so that the whole smelter can be run by electricity. At present part of the power is being run by electricity and the rest by steam.

The contemplated improvements include the best devices that can be secured for reducing the cost of smelting, and when they are installed the works will practically have been rebuilt. The company is now receiving ore, and a considerable quantity is accumulating in anticipation of the time when smelting will be resumed.

ROSSLAND STOCKS.

There is a Steady Demand for Them in Toronto.

"Rossland stocks are in almost as much demand now in Toronto as they were at the height of the boom," said G. F. McLaughlin, Tuesday evening, Mr. McLaughlin, who is a broker of Toronto, is at the Allan looking after his holdings around the camp. "There is, of course, not the wild excitement now that there was 18 months ago," continued he, "but the volume of business, is almost as great as it was then, and stocks are beginning to have an expected value, upon which the holder can realize at any time. The opening of the stock exchange will, I think, be of considerable importance to the camp, as it will reduce a number of properties which have been temporarily out of public attention, besides forming an authoritative basis upon which to gauge the value of shares. Although the exchange has only been in existence a short time, it is doing a large business in Rossland shares."

Mr. McLaughlin is largely interested in the Northern Bell company, and after returning from the coast in about a month he expects to revive most of the properties of the company, which, he says, is in excellent financial shape to resume operations.

MINING NOTES.

Work is being done on the Prince of Wales on Lookout mountain.

C. H. Stickney has accepted the foremanship of the Columbia & Kootenay group.

Active preparations are being made for the resumption of work on the Gertrude. Cabins are being built and supplies packed in.

A. W. McCune has sold the Ore-or-nogo to the Nickel Plate company, who in turn expects to transfer the property to the B. A. C.

Work in the Velvet's shaft has been suspended, owing to the large amount of water which was getting into the workings. Operations, however, are going on in the drifts.

E. E. Gillespie, manager of the Tom Payne Consolidated, is engaged purchasing supplies and tools preparatory to going to work on the property. There are still from four feet to six feet of snow on the mountains, and work will be somewhat retarded on that account.

E. M. Aldridge, who went to Ymir several days ago to install a hoisting plant on the Tamarac, which is being operated by the Kenneth Mining company, returned on Monday evening, having accomplished the task.

George Goldsmith left yesterday for the Lardcan country, whether he goes for the purpose of procuring 150 pounds of ore from the Goldsmith-Lardcan company's property. It is the intention to place this ore in the office of the company for inspection by stockholders and others.

Robert J. Cory received a dispatch from Butte, Mont., on Monday afternoon, informing that the Larson & Greenough concentrating mill at the Morning mine at Mullan, Idaho, has been destroyed by fire. The concentrator was the largest in Idaho and was built at a cost of \$250,000.

The suit of the Nest Egg & Firefly company vs. the Band Drill company, F. G. Mendenhall and H. G. Lippmann, will be tried on Monday at Victoria. The suit is to recover \$16,000 damages alleged to have been sustained through the removal of a plant of mining machinery from a mining property.

John Lynch, who is interested in the Sault Ste. Marie Gold Mining company, is in the city and with J. W. Boyd, he will look after the company's properties, the Mineral Hill, the Newton Will, the Morning Star, the New Deadwood and the Rutland, all on the southeast side of Deer Park mountain, and make application for a crown grant. About \$3,000 worth of work has already been done, with very satisfactory results.

M. R. Galusha is in the city, and in talking about the recent strike on the Jumbo stated that there was three feet of good looking shipping ore in sight. This body has not been crossed, and he therefore did not know its width. Mr. Galusha explained that the Jumbo Gold Mining company is not selling shares, nor is there any for sale, and was therefore no desire to boom the property on the part of the management. In the interests of the camp, however, the desire is to give any news concerning the operations of the mine that might be beneficial.

CARLYLE HAS COME

The Mining Superintendent of the B. A. C. Reaches Camp.

STARTS WORK ON C. & K.

Operations Resume This Morning on the Big Columbia-Kootenay Group—Work Will Be Pushed on All the B. A. C.'s Properties.

Monday morning saw the revival of work on the Columbia & Kootenay, and the inauguration of the development work which the British America corporation will undertake on the properties which it has secured in the camp at an expenditure of nearly \$1,300,000.

W. A. Carlyle, the mining superintendent for the B. A. C., who gave up the position of provincial mineralogist in order to accept the place, and D. J. Macdonald, the late provincial inspector of metalliferous mines, who resigned to accept a superintendency with the company, arrived in camp Sunday night and commenced active work yesterday morning. Mr. Carlyle was busy all day yesterday looking over the properties which the company has secured, particularly the Columbia & Kootenay. Mr. Macdonald has been appointed superintendent in charge of the property, and after a careful examination he and Mr. Carlyle decided upon the plan of preliminary development which will be adopted. Work will be resumed this morning, and as fast as more men can be put to work they will be utilized. As there were 80 miners employed just before the property closed down, it is altogether probable that this number will soon be reached, if not exceeded.

"We shall push work on all our properties just as rapidly as is possible," said Mr. Carlyle last evening, "and as many men will be put to work as can advantageously be employed."

"Mr. Macdonald will be the superintendent of the Columbia & Kootenay group. John C. Long has consented to supervise the development of the foot of the mountain, which includes the Joe, the Footman, the No. 1, the Annie and the surrounding properties, while W. S. Haskins has accepted the superintendency of the Nickel Plate and the Great Western."

GOVERNOR MACKINTOSH HERE.

He Will See Work Started and May Be Recalled to London.

"We shall proceed at once with active development of our properties. Every claim will have a sum set aside for its development and operations will proceed unceasingly," said the Hon. Charles H. Mackintosh, the managing director of the British America corporation, who arrived Monday evening after his trip to England on business connected with the company. He was accompanied from the coast by Edward Durant, the resident manager of the syndicate.

Mr. Mackintosh will be here for several days at least, but he may be called back by cable to England, and it is uncertain just how long he will be in camp. Going, however, he will see work started in a thoroughly systematic manner on the properties of his big syndicate.

FAVOR A DUTY ON LEAD.

Council of Rossland Board of Trade Urges a Resolutions.

At a recent meeting of the Kaelo board of trade a memorial to the Dominion parliament was adopted, requesting that an increased duty be laid on lead and the manufactured products thereof. The object sought to be gained by this is to build up the lead smelting and the lead manufacturing industry in this country. The co-operation of other boards of trade throughout the province was requested. The boards of trade of Nelson and Revelstoke strongly indorsed the measure. Last evening the council of the Rossland board of trade held a meeting, and indorsed the proposition. The proceeds in detail were as follows:

It was moved by Oliver Durant, seconded by William A. Dunn, that the council of the Rossland board of trade indorse the application of the Kaelo board of trade for an increase of the duty on lead and the manufactured products of lead as set forth in their published memorial in that behalf, and urges upon the Dominion parliament to give effect to the same by legislation this session; and that George O. Buchanan, president of the Kaelo board of trade, be appointed as its delegate to press the same upon the responsible ministers of the Dominion government. This motion was carried.

A copy of the above resolution was telegraphed by the secretary of the board to the Hon. Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. W. S. Fielding and George O. Buchanan.

School of Mines.

The third lecture in the course of the school of mines on "Mineralogy" was delivered last evening, when gold, silver and copper ores were treated at length and illustrated by some rare specimens. The practical work will begin this week on the arrival from Vancouver of the apparatus for blowpipe analysis. The attendance is still encouraging, and with the arrival of Mr. Carlyle, it is to be hoped that with his advice and assistance, the school will be put on a permanent basis.

A petition has been forwarded to the minister of mines asking for a grant for geological maps and specimens for use in connection with the school. An application has also been made for specimens from the geological department at Ottawa.

Celebration of St. George's Day.

Arrangements are being made for an elaborate celebration of St. George's day, Saturday next, with a banner celebration at the head of Trail creek.

The carriages conveying the guests will leave the Hotel Allan at 9:30 a.m., and will then proceed to a point on the Northport road a little south of the California mineral claim, and in the immediate neighborhood of the head of Trail creek, where a flagstaff has been erected. At 9:50 the signal shot will be fired and at 10 a.m. the exercises will begin by raising a silken banner to the top of the staff, when a royal salute will be fired in honor of the event. At the conclusion of the royal salute the banner will be dipped in acknowledgment. It will also be dipped to the city of Rossland and in return to saluting flags. The guests will then return to the Hotel Allan and partake of a lunch, at which there will be appropriate addresses and a paper or two on the geology of that part of the camp visited, by mining engineers, who have made an special study of Trail creek geology. The chairman will also give a short historical sketch.

Looking After Electrical Machinery.

L. A. Campbell, the manager of the West Kootenay Power & Light company, has left for New York to arrange with the American General Electric company for a delivery date when the mining companies of the camp will be certain of getting the electrical machinery, such as hoists and motors, which they will use in connection with the power furnished at the works at Bonington Falls. Mr. Campbell expects to be back about the first of May.

CAUSED BY A TELEGRAM

There Was a Lively Flurry in Deer Park Shares.

War Eagle Is in Constant Demand and Has Advanced 5 Cents During the Past Week.

There was a fair demand for shares during the past week. The only pronounced flurry was caused by a demand in the early part of the present week for Deer Park. This was the result of a report received from Toronto to the effect that the directors of the company were so well pleased with the way in which the property is turning out that they have decided to double its working force. It was also stated that it was the intention to begin the shipping of ore just as early as possible. This announcement caused a rush to be made for the stock, and not a few sales were made at from 13 to 14 cents per share.

There has been a demand for North Star, a reservation stock. There has been a great increased demand for War Eagle. This is due to the good reports that come from the mine as to the extent and richness of the ore body. It is now claimed that there is \$3,500,000 worth of ore in sight. It is no wonder, therefore, that the shares advanced five cents during the past week and are now quoted at \$1.55.

There was considerable demand for Salmu Consolidated, principally from Eastern Canada, at the increased price of 15 cents per share. Advice received from the properties of this company indicate that the ore body in the shaft is both rich and wide.

There was considerable demand for Athabasca, and the stock is firmly quoted at the price of 35 cents. It could have been bought a short time since for 29. The price of 35 cents is not high when it is considered that under the terms of the sale the stockholders will realize from between 65 and 70 cents per share.

It is said that all the first issue of 50,000 shares of the Mountain Gold company, which was recently formed to operate the Jubilee near Ymir, has been disposed of. Assays of the ore taken from this property show it runs as high as \$3,000 per ton. The question to be determined is as to whether there is enough of an ore body of this or even of a much lower grade to make the mine a paying proposition. It is said to be the intention that the directors to raise the price of the stock in case it is found necessary to dispose of any more in order to develop the property.

The British America corporation has started actively at work on its properties in this city, and the outlook is that it will do a great deal of development this summer, fall and winter. The presence of so large a company in this camp, extending, as it will, thousands of dollars per annum, and which is certain to open bodies of ore of great value, cannot help but be of benefit to the stock market. It is certain to stimulate the development of other properties here and there, and if the big corporation should be successful the effect should be that other companies will embark in business here and there will be a great demand for stocks at increased prices. In fact, the stock business is only in its infancy. Speculation in stocks is a habit that grows on those who indulge in it, and it will not be long before the brokers can rely on a clientele that will furnish them a steady patronage.

A Power House.

The West Kootenay Power & Light company is advertising for bids for the construction of a power house at Bonington Falls. The plans and specifications can only be seen at the office of the company at Bonington Falls. Those who purpose submitting tenders can procure full information from William Anderson, engineer of the company, at Bonington Falls. All bids must be in at the Rossland office of the company before 6 o'clock on the 27th day of April.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Vivian & Sons of Swanes, and the Elliott Metal company of South Wales, have appointed an one buyer, at Vancouver, who will pay cash for shipments of ore from 250 pounds upward. Representatives of these firms are on the way to British Columbia to consider the advisability of erecting a smelter at some suitable point in this province.

FROM OTHER CAMPS

The Ymir Mine Is Soon to Have a 40-Stamp Mill.

THE NOBLE FIVE RESUMES

A Company Backed Up by the Rothschilds Negotiating For the Purchase of the North Star For \$3,000,000—Other Notes of Interest.

With the clearing away of the snow the movement in mining circles increases, and the coming open season promises to be one of great activity in the several districts. Prospectors are already getting into the field for the purpose of doing assessment work and making new finds.

Appended are reports from the several camps.

NELSON DIVISION.

The Bright Prospects Gold Mining & Development company decided at a regular meeting, held recently, to register and reincorporate under the Specially Limited Liability clauses of the Companies Act, and at the same time to reduce the capital stock to \$500,000—half the present amount. The company will shortly be placed at work on the Spotted Horse in the Ymir camp.

Work will be started up on the Porcupine mine in a short time. Work on this property had to be closed down about a month ago on account of the surface water. Their property is situated on the east side of the railroad track, between Barrett and Hall creeks. There are two distinct leads on this claim running parallel with each other, and they both show wonderfully well in gold and copper. There has been considerable work done on this property, and they are now holding it at a stiff price, and no doubt they will get it before many months.

The Ymir Development company has been organized and is composed of the following well known men: J. McLeod, Walter Blanchfield, D. A. Cameron and D. A. McKenzie. They have fitted up a nice office on Fir street, Ymir, and are now ready for business. The company will develop extensively in mining property, both developed and undeveloped. The gentlemen composing this firm are experienced mining men.

Samuel Marshall and Joseph B. Bourgeois will at once commence work on the claim, the New Hope, on Wild Horse creek. This property adjoins the Bywater, which was bonded to the Canadian Pacific Exploration company last fall.

The U. B., which adjoins the Tennessee, will open up in a few days with a full force of men.

A site has been selected for the 40-stamp mill that will shortly be erected at the Ymir mine. Power for the mill will be taken from the North Fork of Wild Horse creek.

THE BOUNDARY COUNTRY.

The No. 9, in Deadwood camp, is showing up well. Development work on the property is being carried on by Harry Morgan.

James Panch, the local manager of the Boundary Falls Mining company, expects to resume mining operations shortly. It is the intention of this company to put a mill on the property.

The buildings on the Sunset, in Deadwood camp, have been completed. They are about the cosiest and most convenient mining premises in the district. Mr. Macfarlane, the manager, is making active preparations to renew development on the property, and he intends to employ a large force of men.

Prospectors have commenced to arrive at Cascade City to do their annual assessment work, and the indications are that the Christina Lake district will witness more development work this season than ever before.

Bower and Donaldson, who have been doing assessment work on some mineral claims on Goat mountain, are reported to have made a very rich strike.

A large number of prospectors and claim owners interested in the North Fork of Kettle River district are making preparations to start working their properties. It is estimated that inside of ten days at least 60 different parties will be doing assessment work along the North Fork of Kettle river.

Last week Con Crosgrove, while doing development work on a property in the immediate vicinity of the Humming Bird claim uncovered a 12-foot ledge of high grade ore. The new strike is likely to prove a bonanza.

Free gold has been found on the Our Hinnie on Christina lake.

Development work is being done on about 30 claims on Baker creek, Christina lake.

A contract has been let to run a tunnel of 300 feet in the Summit claim.

In the full court at Victoria, Mr. Justice Drake refused the petition of Robert Clark to be added as plaintiff in the action of Hay & McCallum et al and to be allowed leave to appeal from the judgment of the court dated November 30, 1896. The suit involves the ownership of the well known Seattle mine.

SLOCAN DIVISION.

Superintendent Harrington of the Enterprise reports that the big Ten Mile property is looking fine. The work that is now going on is mostly development, and getting ready for active shipment when the management is ready. No ore is being hauled to the landing. There is, however, more than 1,000 tons there, awaiting shipment, and on the dump at the mine fully as much is waiting to be hauled away. Enough ore has been blocked out to keep the mine working continuously, shipping daily, for eight or 10 years.

Since the owners resumed work on the Fidelity that property has continued to grow better, and with the continuance of the character of work now being prosecuted, the mine will be made a heavy shipper this summer and fall.

Fifty inches of ore is showing at the bottom of the first shaft and work has been started on a second shaft 300 feet from the discovery. Ore has been had in the second shaft from the surface and the paystreak has grown wider as depth has been attained. The shaft is now down 28 feet. Work is also being pushed on a tunnel through the wash into Fidelity mountain, directly across the swamp from the present workings, and it is believed the ledge will be struck there when the bedrock is reached.

The British Columbia Gold Fields Exploration, Development & Investment company has part of the machinery at Six Mile creek for a 10-stamp mill to be taken up Lemmon creek. A road will have to be made for it and toward this the provincial government has granted \$8,000, but about \$4,000 more will be required. It is the intention of the company to do custom work as well as treat ore from its own claims.

The troubles which threatened to wreck the Noble Five mine are practically at an end and the property is no longer in litigation. The order of the court which placed the property in the hands of a liquidator has been voided and the company has passed into the control of men with means to place it in good condition once more. The old board of directors have retired and the following have been elected: President, James Dunsmuir of Victoria; vice-president, J. D. Foster of Spokane; secretary, F. J. Holman of Spokane; assistant-secretary, G. B. McDonald of Cody; other directors, C. E. Pooley of Victoria, J. G. McGuigan of Spokane, and B. J. Perry of Victoria. Work has already been resumed on the mine, and a compressor plant will be at once installed. It is planned to develop the mine on a common-sense plan and no shipments are contemplated for at least a year.

Ore sheds, a large bunk house and other necessary buildings are being erected on the Mollie Hughes, lately bonded by English capitalists. W. Sandford, the representative of the company, will make the mine one of the best properties in the camp. New Denver will be his headquarters, and he proposes acquiring other properties in the neighborhood.

The California mine, one of the most promising properties in the Slocan, and situated on Silver mountain, adjoining New Denver, will start operations in about 30 men, and this number will be kept constantly employed and the property put on a shipping basis.

A surveying party headed by Samuel L. Long and Rossland, has been surveying a mining property on Lemmon creek this week for a Rossland syndicate.

The drift on the seventh level, at a depth of 340 feet, cut the ore chute in the Dardanelles, in the Slocan division, last week, and encountered a splendid body of high grade ore. At one time during the last week four feet of clean ore appeared in the face, and yesterday the drift was in two feet of the same heavy cherting material. This ore is higher grade and contains much less zinc than in the drift above, or in fact at any other point in the mine, showing great improvement with depth. The lead is fully four feet in width with two smooth, well defined walls. Ore is now coming out at the rate of a car per week.

REVELSTOCK & ILLEOILLEWAT.

J. H. Darby, one of the owners of the Iron Farm group, near Albert canyon, has placed the handling of his interest in the hands of John Patterson of Albert canyon, as he intends selling out his share of the property.

Operations have been going on all winter on the Donald claim on Flat creek, seven and a half miles from Illelloewat. The capital is under bond from the original owners, D. Wolsley and W. H. Caldwell, to a Vancouver company. Seven men are now at work, who are running a tunnel to strike the shaft, which has been sunk 80 feet on the vein. The proposition is to run a very large ore body has been exposed during development, and there is every indication that this property will turn out a very valuable one.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

The proprietors of the Ruthies Bell group, in the Duncan River district, are making preparations for the shipment of the ore accumulated while doing development work during the past winter; a considerable amount of which has been taken out.

EAST KOOTENAY.

According to the Prospector a company backed by the Rothschilds is negotiating for the North Star mine on a basis of \$3,000,000. D. D. Mann has given his authority to the other owners to sell. The main vein has been struck at a depth of 100 feet, where it is 10 feet in width.

The Little May, on Ferry creek, developed by a tunnel of 82 feet, is showing free gold in quartz.

A very promising claim is the Babylon, on Palmer Bar creek. The ledge matter is 70 feet wide, with streaks of galena two feet in width, carrying 65 per cent lead. Another lead has tellurides of gold and chlorides of silver and copper. A tunnel of 35 feet has been run.

The Prospector is dissatisfied with the report of the minister of mines, and alleges that it is a studied attempt at difference to the mining interests of East Kootenay.

A New Town on the Trail.

The new town at the point where the Dewdney trail crosses Big Sheep creek is to be called Melville, in honor of Magistrate William Melville Newton. The new hotel is going up, and Fred Lindenberg expects shortly to put up a corral and barn for the accommodation of transient animals as well as for his own pack train, which is busily engaged carrying supplies into the district.

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Recent Developments in the Big War Eagle.

WILL WORK 250 MEN

Shipments of 100 Tons Daily May Soon Be Expected—Improvements in Progress at the Trail Smelter—News Notes From the Mines.

The development of the War Eagle has been going along so quietly and so unobtrusively that only a small portion of the public has any idea of the vast resources that have been disclosed lately in the big mine on Red Mountain. That this is so is doubtless largely due to the fact that the company is making no effort to pay dividends for the present, and shipments of ore are merely nominal, so that there has been nothing to excite popular interest. Nevertheless, the excitement of the investing public has suddenly begun to pay keen attention to the property, as is witnessed by the unprecedented rise in War Eagle stock. At the first of the year it was quoted at 90 cents, with the little activity even at that price, but with the coming of 1898 the stock began jumping day by day until now it is hard to get at prices ranging from \$1.45 to \$1.50. An advance of 60 per cent on a high grade stock in three months and a half is without a parallel on the local stock board.

There are now 125 men at work in the War Eagle, and they are operating 10 drills. This is practically the working limit with the present compressor plant, but when the magnificent new plant is installed, which should be by October 1, the force will be increased to 250 men. It is the intention to begin shipments of 200 tons per day to the Trail smelter as soon as the plant is completed, but in the meantime shipments of 100 tons per day will be made, although the precise date when these will commence has not been settled upon.

One of the most remarkable features of the War Eagle has been the recent tremendous gain in the amount of ore in sight. At the time of Manager Hastings' report, of November last, there was \$1,105,000 worth of ore in sight. Since then the visible supply has been more at somewhat more than \$3,500,000.

The great bulk of this astonishing addition to the resources of the mine has been disclosed through the magnificent development in the east 500-foot level and the east 375-foot level. In places along the former level the vein is 50 feet or more in width, and of this 12 feet lying on the foot wall is practically clear ore, averaging \$25. The length of the chute is not known, but it has been opened for a distance of 75 feet by a lateral drift off the main 500-foot level. The same chute extends upwards to the east 375-foot level, where it is from 12 to 18 feet wide, and averages the same as at the lower level. This splendid ore body forms perhaps the finest ore reserve in the camp.

The mine has now been opened to a depth of 625 feet, of which 375 feet lying below the 250-foot level is virgin ground, and the only ore removed has been that taken out in drifting. Of the ore lying above the 250-foot level, not more than half has been stoped, yet this half produced about \$850,000 gross values.

Work is proceeding without interruption on the task of extending the old winze to the surface, so as to transport into a main working shaft for the property. A continuous connection has already been made from the surface to the 625-foot level, and in about two months more it will probably be widened out and ready for timbering.

In the east 375-foot level, where the big ore body has been uncovered, the pay chute is in places 18 feet wide, and operations are now in progress knocking down the ore for the full width of the chute, preparatory to timbering in anticipation of stoping.

The east 500-foot level, which is an extension of the Iron Mask tunnel, is now within about 40 feet of the winze. From the winze to the west end line of the War Eagle is a distance of 600 feet, which has not been touched below the 375-foot level.

TREAT 500 TONS A DAY.
Capacity of the Trail Smelter Reverberatories to Be Doubled.

Operations are in progress at the Trail smelter, tearing down the old reverberatory matting furnaces, which will be replaced by two new blasts, whereby the present capacity of the plant will be doubled.

The two blasts which have been in use have a capacity of 250 tons per day each, but as the reverberatories have never proven successful, one of the blasts is kept busy reducing the matte produced by the other, so that the actual capacity of the plant is only about 250 tons per day.

The installation of the two new furnaces will thus bring the capacity of the smelter up to 500 tons.

As the contract with the War Eagle is only for 200 tons per day, it is evident that the O. P. E. has in view considerable contracts with other properties, to justify it in doubling the capacity of its smelter.

Shipments from the War Eagle are already being made to Trail, and a supply of ore is accumulating, but it is not announced when the smelter will be blown in.

Miner Map Will Soon Be Ready.
Advice received from Vancouver yesterday indicates that THE MINER'S birds-eye view of Rossland will be ready for distribution within the next five days. The map, when the letter concerning it was written, was almost printed, and the copies so far as they were finished, looked artistic, and cannot fail to please those who want a beautiful and artistic picture of the camp and its environments. The making of this map has occupied a great deal of time, and the expense has been large, but it was determined, no matter what the cost, that an article worth the money asked for it should be turned out. The result is said by those who have seen the proof of the map to be more than satisfactory. It is one that will sell on sight. Those who desire copies as soon as it is issued should send in their orders now so as to insure quick delivery. The demand is already large. The price is \$1.

DUTY ON LEAD PRODUCTS.

That Was the Subject Discussed By the Liberal Association.

A well attended meeting of the Rossland Liberal Association was held Thursday in the office of the West Kootenay Power & Light company. The feature of the meeting was the discussion of the question as to whether it would be politic for the government to place an import duty on lead products. There was an informal discussion, and much interest was shown in what was said. The subject is of so much importance, however, that it was decided it could not be fully thrashed out in one meeting. It was claimed, too, by the members that they had not sufficiently informed themselves to fully go into the merits of the question at issue. It was, therefore, decided to adjourn until the 22nd inst. On this occasion the members of the Young Men's Liberal club are invited to be present so that they may take part in the discussion.

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BEEF IS DEAR IN KLONDIKE

Billy Perdue Tells How He Got Meat Into Dawson.

Steak Costs From \$1 to \$1.25 Per Pound—A Hard Road to Travel—Best Claims Are Taken.

William Perdue, in a recent interview, gave the following account of his trip to the Klondike region. He left here for the Klondike in August of last year, and returned a couple of weeks since to the Kootenay country, but has spent most of the time since his return in Nelson.

He left Dawson on the 9th of February, and reached Dyea 24 days later. He came through with a team of dogs, which cost him in Dawson City the best of \$1,350. Mr. Perdue, it will be remembered, took up with him a herd of 76 head of beef cattle, destined for the Klondike market. He started with them from Calgary, and went by the way of the O. P. E. to Vancouver, where he boarded a steamer from there to a point near Haine's Mission. From there he drove them overland by way of the famous Dalton trail, until he reached the Yukon. This carried him beyond the dangerous White Horse rapids, and from here down to Dawson navigation, barring the perils of floating ice, is comparatively safe. In making the overland trip, which extended over a distance of 280 miles, he lost, as a result of casualties, 20 of his herd. Whenever an animal strayed from the drove it was lost, as it was impracticable to delay the journey to go in search of it.

At the mouth of Lewis river Mr. Perdue killed his cattle, and after packing the meat in their away under boughs and ice and snow, he loaded the balance, consisting of 38-head, upon a raft, and started down the river midst a sea of floating ice, on his perilous journey to the land of the "Golden Fleece." Upon reaching Dawson he was unable, on account of the great quantity of floating ice in the river, to effect a landing, and was carried some 24 miles further down the stream before he succeeded in getting more of stock, in reaching the shore. To get the cargo taker back to Dawson cost him \$3,000, which, by the way, is considered a very insignificant amount, from a Klondike standpoint.

The price realized on the beef was from \$1 to \$1.25 per pound. One man who gave a dance shortly after Mr. Perdue arrived paid him \$225 for one hind quarter.

As to the chances offered for making money in the mining business up there at present, Mr. Perdue speaks very discouragingly. That there are a few properties of fabulous value he does not deny, but all the paying mines have long since been taken up, and are now held at enormous figures. But by far the greater number of the locations are mere prospects, and can be bought at almost any price. Mr. Perdue said he could have brought down a cart load of paper representing interests in properties up there, but he did not consider them worth paying freight on. He says that almost any wild cat prospect in this country offers as good inducements to investors as the great majority of the so-called properties in the Klondike country. He discourages the idea of anyone's going there at present with the hope of getting employment. He says that everything has been entirely overdone, and that there are thousands of men on the ground waiting for something to do.

WAR BULLETINS.

Large Throngs in Front of The Miner Reading the News.

A crowd that often stretched out into the street stood in front of THE MINER office all day Saturday and up to midnight, eagerly reading the bulletins of the war situation. At several other places in town bulletins were posted, but the crowd pinned its faith on THE MINER, and the throng here was continuous.

In connection with its own excellent telegraphic service, which supplied bulletins all through the evening, THE MINER is under obligations to S. H. Roach, the manager of the Vernon & Nelson Telephone company, through whose courtesy a number of important bulletins were received during the afternoon. The telephone company, during the present excitement, is posting bulletins at its office every afternoon and morning.

AN AMERICAN CONSUL.

An Effort Being Made to Have One Created For Rossland.

An effort is being made to have an American consul placed at Rossland, instead of a consular agent, as at present. The change would be of considerable benefit to the town. N. A. Burritt is spoken of as a possible incumbent of the office in case it is created, and his friends are making a strong effort to secure the creation of the position and his appointment to it. There is at present a consular agent here in the person of Fred Blockberger.

IRON MASK STRIKE

There was a pleasant wedding at the Central hotel Saturday, when George Goldsmith and Mrs. C. Lacy were united in marriage by the Rev. H. Irwin. About 25 friends of the bridal couple were present. Miss Mammie McGuire escorted the bride, and Smith Curtis acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith expect to make their home in Rossland. The groom is a well known prospector, and has a number of properties in the Slooan. He is one of the heavy holders in the Lardeau-Goldsmith company.

Over the Dewdney Trail.

A letter received from "Father Pat" Irwin, dated at Cascade City says that four Chinamen walked over the Dewdney trail without snowshoes from here to Cascade last Sunday and Monday. The groom is a well known prospector, and has a number of properties in the Slooan. He is one of the heavy holders in the Lardeau-Goldsmith company.

A Self-Made Man.

LONDON, April 14.—Lord Strathcona, Canadian high commissioner, in addressing a party of emigrants destined for Canada, at Eton station yesterday, cited the late Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, ex-premier of the Dominion, as an example of a self-made man.

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A new gravity chute has been arranged for carrying away the waste from the sorting tables, and Centre Star creek has been timbered over so that the refuse can be dumped direct into the gulch without stopping the flow of the stream.

Work on the Great Western.

The shaft on the Great Western has reached the 100-foot level, and the ledge continues to show a good body of ore, with very satisfactory values. The property has never looked better.

The shaft, which is of the double compartment variety, is being sunk 8 x 12 feet in the clear, outside of the timber. Each compartment is 4 1/2 x 5 feet inside.

The shaft has been thoroughly straightened out, and Superintendent Moynahan is now at work steadily sinking and timbering. Although it was given out that the old company owning the Great Western had driven the shaft to the 125-foot level, yet as a matter of fact only the 72-foot station was reached. Since the B. A. C. took charge, the shaft, besides being thoroughly repaired, has been sunk practically 30 feet.

The only draw-back at present is the lack of power for drills. At present they are being operated by steam, but the boiler capacity is hardly more than enough to work the pump and the hoist, so that the drills are hampered for motive power.

The Strike in the Jumbo.

The strike in the Jumbo, reported in THE MINER Friday, is proving to be of considerable importance, and it is believed that the big ore chute that was met in the upper level has been at last encountered.

The full face of the drift is in ore, and an average assay of the breast of the workings went \$113 in gold.

The tunnel is now in about 800 feet.

The Pug to Be Sold.

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Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Poorman, Iron Mask, Cliff, Total.

THE ORE SHIPMENTS. Following are the ore shipments from the mines adjacent to Rossland from Jan. 1, to April 15, 1898: Le Roi, 17,991; War Eagle, 3,725; Centre Star, 378; Poorman, 1,033; Iron Mask, 140; Cliff, 350. Total, 22,117.

A GOOD START.

It is evident that the British America corporation does not intend to lose any time in the matter of the development of its numerous properties in this camp. Its chief engineer W. A. Carlyle, arrived here early yesterday morning and in the course of the day he named superintendents for several of the properties and ordered them to hurry the development with all possible speed.

THE REDISTRIBUTION BILL.

The Victoria Colonist and the Vancouver World, the two principal government organs at the coast, hasten to say that the Redistribution Bill is a fair measure and will meet all reasonable expectations. The fact remains, however, that the Rossland deputations returned from their interview with the government with the distinct understanding that West Kootenay was to have five additional members under the new Redistribution act.

ness, is entitled to a separate member. By taking it on West Kootenay we have the same representation as formerly, the only difference being that the boundaries of the divisions have been changed. Instead of Boundary Creek remaining a part of South Yale it is incorporated with the Rossland division, which was formerly a part of the North Riding of West Kootenay; the North Riding is reduced in size by the loss of the Trail Creek mining division, and the new Nelson electoral division is but another name for the old Slovan electoral division.

It is just as well that the government should know before it is too late to rectify a terrible political blunder, that its popularity in West Kootenay is certain to suffer severely if the Redistribution bill passes the legislative assembly as it now stands. Unless West Kootenay receives greater representation than is at present proposed, the cause of the Administration in the approaching elections will be well nigh hopeless, so far as Southern British Columbia is concerned.

A SANDON CRITIC.

The Sandon Mining Review would twist the MINER for its allusion to the possibility of the Liberal party attempting to create a large number of Liberal senators in order to offset the present Conservative majority of the Upper Chamber. The Review says it knows of no clause in the Canadian constitution that would allow such a move. We hasten to assure the gentlemanly and well trained editor of the Review that we were not alluding to any of the provisions of the British North America Act, but to the wild scheme advocated by Hon. Israel Tarte in his paper, La Patrie. For the benefit of the editor of the Review we might add that Mr. Tarte favors a reform of the senate by which the government, in an emergency, would have power to appoint a sufficient number of senators to carry a government measure which the senate opposes.

THE OURESTONE MART.

The icy fetters that have bound up the country are broken and the people of this section who have been, so to speak, imprisoned during the long wintry spell are free again to move about whither they will with no impediments in the shape of snow several feet deep to stop them. The railroad travel reveals that many prospectors and mining men, who have been wintering in the Coast towns and other places, are returning to this and other mining camps to carry on prospecting, to do assessment work on prospects already staked or to engage in other occupations connected with mining. The incoming voyagers largely outnumber the outgoing. Among these may be seen many mining operators, promoters and men who deal in stocks, who have been spending the winter in a more congenial climate, and now that the ground is bare, so that properties may be examined, have come here in order to speculate in mines in some instances and in others to purchase with the intention of working them. The result of this is that there is at all times in the day large crowds on the streets of the city. These are made up of the prospector, the miner and the promoter. Mines, prospects, "propositions," assays, the distance of the properties from lines of transportation, whether they are gold, copper, or lead-silver properties, the per cent of the precious metals, the price of shares, and the latest strikes and deals form some of the subjects that are discussed. Here and there may be seen groups of prospectors who are discussing the subject of grubstakes, the section to prospect and other matters that are of the greatest interest to this nomadic class.

The fact that there are so many of the investing and the prospecting locating class in this city indicates that there is to be a period of energetic activity between now and the time that the snow will begin to fall again. Prospectors were never more certain of selling property of worth than at the present time, as there never were more capitalists standing ready to purchase their wares. Hence when they start out on their quest for new finds they know that if they stake a claim of real merit that it has an almost fixed cash value and that it can be readily disposed of. This is encouraging to the hardy searcher for prospects, and he works all the harder when he knows that his reward is certain, if he finds anything that has merit.

On the other hand the investor in mines is beginning to realize the extent and worth of the rich mining region that stretches its mountain-covered surface in every direction from this city. He knows that there are fortunes buried in the mountains hereabouts, and that all he is required to do in order to secure one is to use ordinary business sense in his selection. This is why the representative of the capitalist who is seeking mining investments may be found

among the large throngs that daily gather on our streets. The large crowds also have another and most important meaning, and that is that Rossland is the center in which most of the mining deals for the entire Kootenay country are consummated. This fact will be more and more apparent with each succeeding year, and the outlook now is that we are now living in what will eventually be the largest mining camp in the world.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Or late, every steamer arriving at Victoria from Alaskan ports is filled with returning Yukoners, who are disgusted with their sojourn in the north.

The impression is rapidly gaining ground throughout the length and breadth of Canada that Hon. J. Israel Tarte is much more consistent than the Toronto Globe.

REVELSTOCK, a much smaller city than Rossland, is to have a public park. The matter of a public park and recreation grounds is one that should be looked after in this city at the earliest possible moment.

A COAST newspaper says that the rejection of the Sticken-Teslin contract by the senate has given a black eye in London to everything bearing the name of Klondike. It's a mighty poor mining country that can be black-eyed so easily.

It is useless to attempt to disguise the fact that since the introduction of the Redistribution bill in the legislative assembly the popularity of the Turner administration has severely suffered in West Kootenay.

THE citizens of Kaslo are arranging to celebrate the Queen's birthday on an extensive scale. It Rossland, as a loyal city, intends to do the proper thing on the occasion of this great anniversary, the work of preparation should soon be commenced.

THERE are good reasons for believing that an attempt on the part of the Provincial government to subsidize a railway to the Yukon will result in the defeat of the Turner administration in all the interior districts. The inland press is a unit in its intense opposition to this outrageous scheme.

THE Toronto Globe of April 16 contains an interesting illustrated account of Rossland's first winter carnival. Pictures are given of Olans Jeldness, champion ski runner of Canada; F. M. Wells, the snowshoe champion of British Columbia, and the Rossland Hockey team, winners of the championship cup of British Columbia.

THE Victoria Colonist says it regards the reduction of Victoria's representation in the legislative assembly as wholly indefensible, and adds that four members are none too many for that city. What has the Colonist to say concerning the injustice done to West Kootenay and South Yale in the proposed redistribution of seats in the legislature?

THE MINER has been asked to state what constitutes a "true fissure vein." Here is what an eminent authority has to say on the subject: "A vein is a fracture in the rocks carrying ore; when such a fracture cuts across the bedding planes of the country it is styled a 'true fissure vein'; when the fissure vein is not enclosed by a single rock formation, but has one wall of one kind and the other wall of another kind of rock, then it is a 'contact fissure vein.'"

THE sum of \$100,000 is being spent in enlarging and improving the smelter at Trail. When the work is completed it will be one of the best equipped smelting plants in the country. With the idea of smelting at the minimum cost all the latest improvements in the reduction of ore by the fire process are being put in. The idea of the great railway corporations that now owns this property is not to make much of a profit on the actual smelting of ores, but rather on the haul from the mines to the smelter. With that end in view the capacity of the reduction works is to be doubled so that large quantities of ore may be daily hauled to Trail for treatment. With the C. P. R. and its immense resources behind the smelter there is good reason to suppose that Trail will become one of the most important points on the Columbia river.

THE dispatches announce that Rev. Stephen Gladstone on Sunday at Hawarden, England, asked the prayers of the congregation for his father, Mr. Gladstone, England's grand old man. This indicates that the end is near, and that it will not be long ere the great English statesman will cross the dark river. The announcement of his demise will be heard with regret all over the world, for his stay has been beyond the average allotted to man, and each of his years since he attained majority until quite recently, have been devoted to public life. There may have been mistakes of the head in the policy that he followed when he was in the zenith of his power, but there never has been a doubt as to the goodness of his heart.

UTAH furnishes a good example of profit on low grade ore. In the Geyser-Clark at Mercur the average value of ore is \$3.75 per ton. A \$6,000 dividend last week makes a total of \$72,000 profit paid in the last year. The Mercur company has paid dividends aggregating almost \$1,000,000. At the Mercur mine the average cost of the treatment is 86 cents per ton; at the Geyser-Marion 82

cents. There are millions of tons of ore in this camp that is three times as rich as the product of the Utah mine, but, unfortunately, it cannot be marketed yet because of the lack of cheap ore reduction facilities. However, it is only a matter of a short time before this difficulty will be overcome. In the meantime there are millions of tons of high grade ore here which can now be treated by local smelters at a good profit to the mine owner.

THE telegraphic dispatches this morning tell of a very creditable piece of newspaper work by the London Daily Mail. That journal, through its correspondents, has learned how public sentiment stands in the various parts of the world in relation to the approaching war between Spain and the United States. In Canada, Newfoundland, Shanghai, Singapore, Sidney (Australia), Kingston (Jamaica), Malta, Bombay and elsewhere it is found that British sentiment is all one way and that it is strongly in favor of the United States, showing the solidity of Anglo-Saxon sentiment, feeling and aspirations. Spain has been the hereditary enemy of the British, and, as blood is thicker than water, it is no wonder that the people of the mother country and her dependencies are with the United States as against the Spanish. The ascertaining of this sentiment on the part of the Daily Mail was a splendid piece of legitimate newspaper work. When compared with some of the alleged coups of the yellow journals it shines as does the sun when it enters into competition with a tallow candle or the average Rossland electric light.

FROM THE RECORDS.

TRANSFERS.

APRIL 12. Oregon No. 1, J. Schuyler, situated about two miles southeast of the mouth of Kootenay river—Julius Colmorgen to James C. Cook. APRIL 13. Capella, situated three-quarters of a mile southeast of Beaver creek—John McInnis to C. W. Clough and T. H. Rea. APRIL 15. Cliff No. 1, fraction 4-15 situated on the north-eastern slope of Red mountain—Harry Daniel to T. H. Rea. APRIL 15. Ore-On-Go situated on Red mountain by Nickle Plate—A. W. McCune to Nickle Plate G. M. Co. APRIL 15. Starlight, Lakawana, Montcalm, situated on Beaver creek—J. J. Cole to E. Denzel of Spokane. POWER OF ATTORNEY. George Jackson, Magistrate R. Yates. H. A. Phillips to John Y. Cole. CERTIFICATES OF IMPROVEMENTS. APRIL 18—Fred. APRIL 14—Pigritin. CERTIFICATES OF WORK. APRIL 12—Lincoln No. 2, Woodstock, Diamond Dust, San Diego, Iron Hill, Wolverine No. 2, Mountain Gold, Grand Republic, Last Chance, Mocco, New Deadwood, Rutland, Morning Star, Mineral Hill, Newell Hill, Knoxville Fraction. APRIL 14—Oxford, Black Bear. APRIL 15—June Fraction. APRIL 16—J. J. Walker, Mand, Gladstone, South Kootenay Fraction, Beaver No. 3, Bon Accord, Shandon Bell, Golden King No. 1, Skillings, Grand Abnaccan, Fraction, Denmar, Mayflower, Last Chance.

THESE YUKON MINERS' LICENSES.

Major Walsh authorized to Issue Them in Exceptional Cases. TORONTO, Ont., April 19.—The Globe's correspondent says: "A statement has been extensively circulated that Yukon miners' licenses will, in future, be issued on the mountain passes, thus obviating the necessity of a large part of the United States miners to visit Vancouver or Victoria to secure licenses before entering the Yukon. This is not a correct representation of the case. Before it was generally known that licenses must be got at Vancouver or Victoria a good many American, Canadian as well as British miners, went in without them and it became necessary either to keep track of these men and prevent them from mining or to supply them with licenses as no human man would order them back to the coast to get their licenses. The government has simply decided to supply Major Walsh with the necessary certificates to be issued in such cases of misunderstanding, but new miners going in should certainly not omit to secure their licenses before starting from the coast cities."

NEWS FROM THE COAST.

Object of a Non-Resident Justice—The Kootenay Railway Bill. VICTORIA, April 20.—The Liberal association at its annual meeting last night passed a resolution to be sent by telegram to Sir Wilfrid Laurier protesting against the appointment of a non-resident chief justice on the ground that such an appointment would be an interference with the provincial government.

When the Southeast Kootenay Railway company's bill was before the committee today, the promoter, Mr. Hume, offered an amendment allowing the road to run to a point within half a mile of where the Kootenay river crosses the boundary line. Dr. Walkem objected to this on the ground that it proposed to have the ground over the territory of the Kettle River railway scheme, against which the house had pronounced, as diverting traffic to the American side. He moved to make the distance five miles instead. This point was still under discussion when the committee rose for the day.

Mr. Semlin introduced a bill making less irksome the conditions under which barristers from other provinces may be admitted to practice here, and this being opposed by Mr. Williams led to a warm attack on the society by Dr. Walkem. The debate was adjourned.

A Big Fire in Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, April 21.—A very destructive fire is raging along the water front here. Twelve freight laden boats with valuable merchandise have already been consumed. The dock of the Union Steamship company is destroyed, and the contagion is spreading to the flames are not yet (2:30 a.m.) under control, and it is feared that an enormous amount of damage will be done.

Ground Floor Proposition

Montreal Red Mountain Gold Fields Company, Limited. Take notice that an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Montreal Red Mountain Gold Fields Company, Limited, will be held at the registered office of the company, Rossland, B. C., on Monday the 23rd day of May next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering a bylaw passed by the board and providing for the sale and transfer of the underlying property of the company to another company to be hereinafter incorporated and having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this company. Rossland, April 15, 1898. NORMAN RINMORE, Secretary.

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O. & W. RAILWAY.

Time in Which It May Make Land Selections Extended. VICTORIA, B. C., April 19.—In the legislature today the bill extending for nine months the time in which the Columbia & Western Railway company may make selection of their lands received its second and third reading and was finally passed.

Braden Ruled Out of Order. Mr. Braden moved as an instruction to the mining committee a clause for the insertion in the mining act amendment bill, restricting to British subjects the right to hold free miners' licenses. Mr. Smith raised the point that this amendment was beyond the power of a private member as it affected the revenue, and Mr. Graham and Mr. Kennedy also took exception to it. The speaker finally ruled Mr. Braden's motion out of order for the reason up in proper form.

Gave His Assent to Bills. The lieutenant-governor attended and gave his assent to the Grand Forks municipal election bill, the provincial election bill, and the Columbia & Western Railway company bill.

Lawn Tennis Club Meeting. A general meeting of the Rossland Lawn Tennis club will be held on Saturday evening, April 23, at 8 o'clock punctually, in the rooms of the Bank of B. N. A. As there is important business to be transacted it is hoped that all members will be present. The intention is to arrange matters for the coming season.

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THE MINING REVIEW

The War Eagle to Commence Shipping 100 Tons Daily.

SALE OF THE BLUE BELL

A Lively Summer in Mining Circles is Assured This Year—Resumption of Work on the Gertrude—Mackintosh, Carlyle and Macdonald All Coming.

Two noteworthy strikes—one in the Iron Mask, the other in the Evening Star—enlivened the past week, but the most interesting announcement is the fact that the War Eagle expects at once to commence shipments of 100 tons a day to the Trail smelter.

The West Kootenay Electric Power & Light company expects to have its power in the camp not later than the 15th of next month, and a number of contracts for supplying power to big companies are pending.

Hon. O. H. Mackintosh, W. A. Carlyle and D. J. Macdonald, of the B. A. C., are all due in the city this week, and it is announced that operations on the properties of the company will soon be commenced.

The most important sale for several weeks past has just been consummated, whereby the Bluebell, between the Velvet and the Triumph, on Sophie mountain, has been sold for an amount running into five figures.

The Gertrude. R. G. Edwards Leckie, who is in charge of the development of the Gertrude for the Montreal-Red Mountain Goldfields, which recently acquired a controlling interest in the Gertrude company, has put a crew of men at work cleaning up the workings of the claim in anticipation of more extended operations.

The War Eagle has closed a contract with the Trail smelter for supplying it with 100 tons of ore per day until the mine's new hoist is installed, when the output will be increased to 200 tons daily.

The Blue Bell, lying on Sophie mountain, between the Velvet and the Triumph, has been sold to the New Goldfields of British Columbia, Sir Charles Tupper's company, which owns the Velvet. The price paid is not made public, although it is known that it runs up into five figures.

The 750-foot level has nearly been reached in the shaft, and the ore body is holding out well. The shipments last week amounted to 1,100 tons. By an accident about midnight Friday evening in the 500-foot level, close to 600 tons of rock fell in the stopes, but fortunately no one was hurt.

Superintendent Lawlor has two shifts at work on the Big Four group. During the week an open cut was made at a point 250 feet from the tunnel uncovering the vein. Work on the tunnel is making excellent progress, and it is the intention to run it in so that the ore body will be tapped at a depth of 80 feet from the surface.

Work on the Good Hope has been suspended owing to the surface water getting into the shaft. The company is negotiating with the West Kootenay Power & Light company for an electric hoist and pump, which are to be installed as soon as the electric company begins to deliver power.

The work during the past week has included operations in the main tunnel, which is now about 160 feet from the second ledge, and drifting in the vein which was crossed recently by the tunnel. Eight men are at work.

The water has been interfering with the work lately, but operations are proceeding steadily, although no shipments are in progress, as the trail is practically impassable for raveling.

A contract has been let for continuing the main tunnel past the winze. An 18-inch streak of ore, averaging about 12, has been met in the face of the drift.

The Iron Mask. The strike made Thursday last continues to improve, and the pay streak is widening; the shipments for last week amounted to 90 tons.

The Sunset No. 2. Work was pushed during the week with the usual force in the Sunset No. 2. The shaft has now reached the 230-foot level.

The Red Point. The tunnel is being continued to the 500-foot station.

The Jumbo. The recent strike in the main tunnel level is more than holding its own. Values are very good and the ore body is increasing in width.

The Poorman. Stopping is in progress at the 100-foot level, and ore is steadily accumulating, although no shipments were made last week.

The Cliff. Pending the completion of some negotiations regarding the further operation of the mine work has been temporarily suspended.

The Deer Park. Work is continuing in the 200-foot level. There has been no recent development of importance.

The Josie. Drifting in the ore is continuing in both the east and the west drifts, in each of which a machine is at work.

The Sovereign. Work is proceeding steadily in the tunnel, which is being driven to connect with the shaft.

The Victory-Triumph. Operations in the lead are continuing steadily, but there has been development of importance.

The Great Western. The shaft is down past the 100-foot station in a good body of ore; operations are being rapidly pushed.

The Abe Lincoln. Some good copper ore has been met which gives very satisfactory results.

THE ATHABASCA SALE

Company's Property Goes to an English Syndicate for \$750,000. There is considerable demand for Athabasca, and the stock has advanced under the influence of this until now it commands 35 cents per share.

The claims owned by the company and upon which a considerable amount of development work has already been done, are the Alberta, Athabasca, Algonoma, Manitoba, Ruby Fraction and Triangle Fraction, situated on Morning mountain, about two miles southwest of Nelson, B. C.

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The Building Society Chartered. W. H. Falding has received the charter of the Rossland Building society, which is all that is required to enable the society to go ahead.

GRAND FORKS STRAIGHTEN

Bill Introduced Which Will Straighten Matters. VICTORIA, April 14.—[Special.]—The following are the principal features of the bill that has been introduced in the provincial legislature by Attorney-General Eberts to straighten out the tangle in the municipal affairs of Grand Forks.

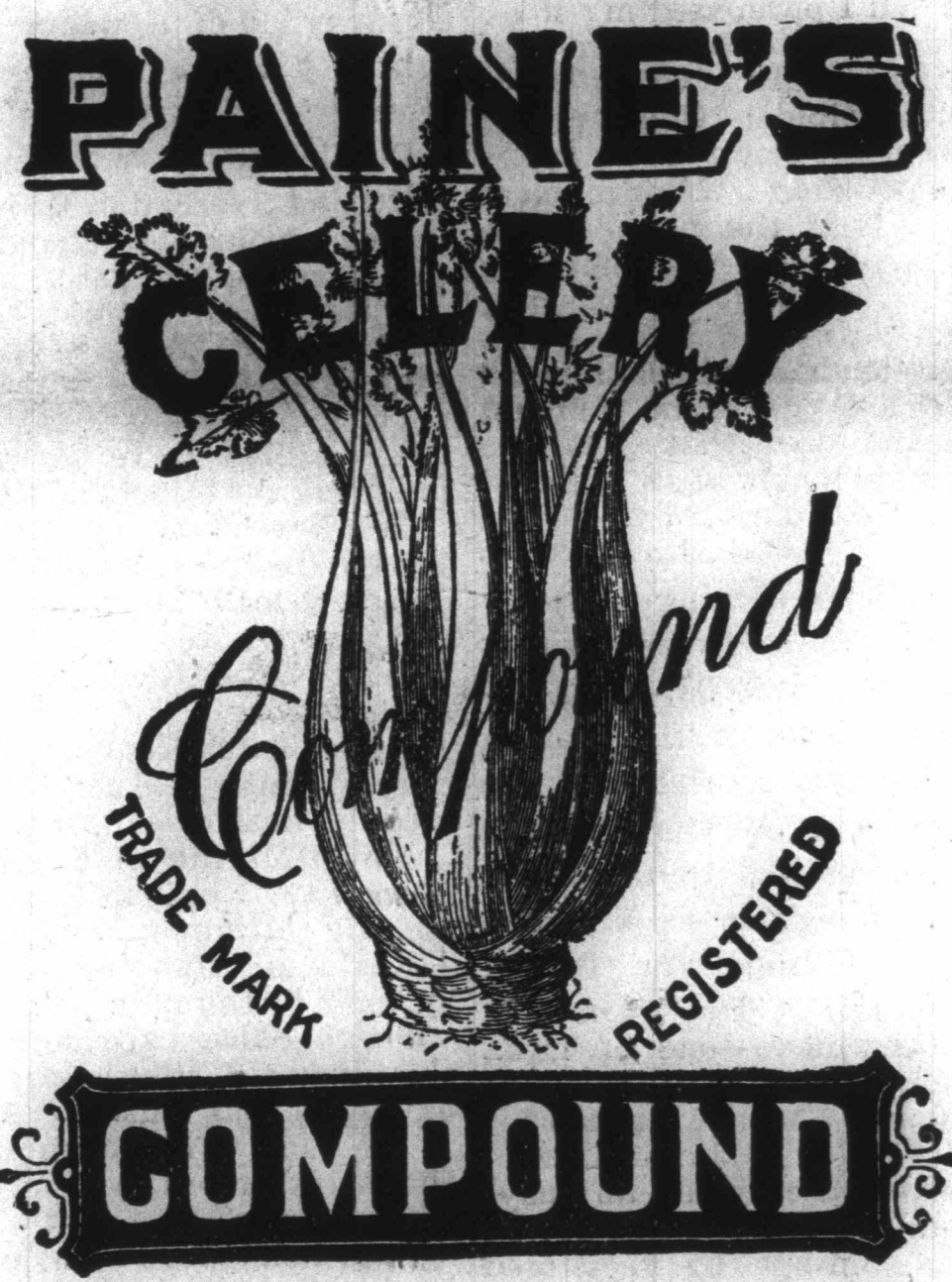
The attempted election at Grand Forks in January, 1898, is declared to have been no election. It is provided that there shall be a special election as soon as possible after the coming into effect of the act, upon a date to be fixed by the lieutenant-governor's proclamation, of a mayor and aldermen to hold office until their successors to be elected in January, 1899, are sworn in.

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THE C. & W. SUBSIDY

Bill to Extend Time for the Completion of the Road.

THE CHEAP MONEY BILL

It Provides for the Encouragement of Trades and Agriculture by the Establishment of Mutual Credit Associations—Kellie Truck Act.

VICTORIA, April 15.—A bill to amend the Columbia & Western railway subsidy act of 1896 was read a first time in the legislature today. It provides that the time limited by section 4 of the subsidy act for defining and rejecting the lands to be granted to the company shall be extended for nine months from the 17th of April, 1898, notwithstanding that the provisions of the section have not been complied with.

Mr. Kellie moved the second reading of the truck act, which he said is for the protection of workmen from imposition of the truck act, in the case of some large mining companies in Kootenay a state of affairs had thus been brought about that required to be changed immediately.

The "cheap money" bill, for the encouragement of trades and agriculture by the establishment of mutual credit associations, was presented by message from the lieutenant-governor and read a first time.

The scheme for cheap money for farmers, provided in the bill submitted to the legislature today may be briefly outlined as follows: Any number of farmers or traders of a community of 25 or more members may form themselves into an association, paying an entrance fee of \$5 each, and subscribing to a certain number of shares, proportionate to the amount which a member may reasonably be supposed to be good for in case he is called upon.

It Recommends Amendments to the Kellie Truck Act. At a special meeting of the Trades & Labor council held Friday to consider the revised "Truck Act" of Mr. Kellie, M. P. P., it was unanimously indorsed with an amendment to subsection 2, of section 10 by inserting "unincorporated towns and villages" thereby making it illegal for corporations to furnish food lodging or fuel to employees within a radius of two miles of any village or town in the province.

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THE LEAD QUESTION.

Rossland is vitally interested in the efforts that are being made in other parts of the district to foster the lead industry of the Kootenays.

AMENDMENT TO THE MINERAL ACT.

The mining committee of the legislative assembly has reported a number of amendments to the Mineral Act.

The distinction between a fractional and full-sized mineral claim is made by always prefixing the words "full-sized" or "fractional" to the word claim.

In locating a fractional claim the following provisions are made: "A fractional mineral claim shall be marked by two legal posts placed as near as possible on the line of the previously located mineral claims, and shall be numbered 1 and 2, and the distance between posts 1 and 2 shall not exceed 1,500 feet, the line between posts 1 and 2 to be known as the location line, and upon posts Nos. 1 and 2 shall be written the name given to the mineral claim, the name of the locator and the date of the location.

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There are eating houses in Rossland that serve an excellent table at \$5 per week per head. The proprietors of these places buy their supplies of local merchants, who obtain their stocks from Canadian wholesalers.

And yet there are people who say that the Kellie Truck Act is not needed in Kootenay.

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GREAT BRITAIN is a factor that cannot be overlooked. This is especially the case when there is any intervening to do on the part of the powers of Europe.

It will be a great day for the Kootenays and the rest of Canada when the cost of ore treatment is so reduced that the product of the mines in the United States near the international boundary is brought here for reduction and refinement.

WHAT does the Rossland board of trade intend doing with regard to the lead question? This matter that concerns Rossland as much as it does Nelson and Kaslo.

The suggestion from Nelson that a Kootenay lacrosse league should be permanently organized is worth favorable consideration. There are in the district some very fine players of the national game, and all the principal towns have grounds on which matches can be played.

G. O. BUCHANAN, of Kaslo, has been appointed by the Kaslo board of trade a delegate to proceed to Ottawa and place before the Dominion government the demands of this district for legislation having for its end the fostering of the smelting and manufacture of lead in Canada.

EACH year when the legislature is in session there is a feeling of uneasiness among mining men of the Kootenays that is not dispelled until that august body has ceased to tinker with the Mineral Act.

SLOWLY but surely the local smelting problem is nearing a satisfactory solution. With the Trail smelter reducing ore at cost, the advent of cheap fuel for reduction works to be built at other points in the Kootenays and the Boundary Creek country, and the growing agitation for an import duty on lead, the outlook for the reduction of British Columbian ores in foreign smelters is decidedly poor.

GREAT BRITAIN intends to "be very" neutral in case the trouble between the United States and Spain assumes the acute form of war. Yesterday officers were sent to Jamaica directing that coal be considered a contraband of war in case of hostilities between the United States and Spain.

THE Victoria Colonist labors under the impression that "Victoria merchants have secured a very fair share of the Kootenay trade, considering how they are handicapped for want of direct means of transportation."

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SATURDAY morning, under the impression that the Le Roi company shipped in most of its boarding house supplies from Spokane, THE MINER condemned the practice.

not hesitate to make it. The fact remains, however, that the charge of \$7 per week is made for board at the Le Roi cook house, and all the men employed at the mine, except those who have families, are forced to board with the company.

STUART CUMBERLAND in the London Empire has the following to say concerning the British America corporation: "I think the shares of this corporation exceedingly cheap at the present price. The corporation has issued a circular setting forth its holdings in British Columbia, together with a map of the properties already secured as well as those under option. The company undoubtedly owns the pick of the Rossland district, and some of the properties promise to turn out extremely well. Then there are the corporation's holdings in Klondike, a map of which is shortly to be issued to the shareholders. I think the corporation has excellent prospects, and I feel practically confident that the shares will ere long go to a substantial premium."

SAYS the Victoria Colonist: The Rossland MINER makes what seems to be a well founded complaint that foreign mining corporations are not complying with the provision of the law requiring them to have an office in this Province. It does not say that no companies are observing the law in this particular, but that there are some very flagrant instances of neglect.

THE news of the defeat of the Kettle River Railway charter in the house of commons comes as a surprise to many people of this district and has occasioned some disappointment. We do not believe that Southern British Columbia has sustained any great loss, or that the development of the Boundary Creek country will be retarded.

THE objects for which the company has been established are: To work, bond, buy, sell, lease, locate, and deal in mines, metals and mineral properties of every kind and description within the United States and the Province of British Columbia; to buy, lease, locate and hold ditches, flumes and water-rights; to construct, lease, buy, sell and operate mills, concentrators, smelters and reduction works and mining machinery of every description; to bond, buy, lease, sell, build or operate railroads, ferries, tramways or other means of transportation for transporting ore and mining material to or from any mine, and to do everything consistent, proper and equitable for the carrying out of the objects and purposes aforesaid, in their fullest and broadest sense.

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Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Fourteen Gold Mines Consolidated Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the office of the said company at the city of Rossland in the province of British Columbia, on Saturday the 30th day of April, A. D. 1898, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering, and if deemed advisable, of passing a resolution authorizing the disposal of the whole or any portion of the assets and subsidiary interests and properties of the said company, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the said meeting.

Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE. Little Giant, Tilly H. Copper King and Little Vitis mineral claims, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: One and one half miles south of Trail on Lookout mountain.

Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE. Free Colnag mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: At the head of Bear and Champion creeks and about 500 feet south of the Jeff Davis mineral claim.

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Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE. Big Chief mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About one-half mile west from Barney O'Brien's ranch.

Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE. Red Bird mineral claim, situated in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 4,000 feet north of the International boundary line, six miles west of the Columbia river.

Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE. St. Elmo Gold Mining Co. Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the St. Elmo Gold Mining Company will be held at the chief place of business of the company in British Columbia, at the company's office, Rossland, B. C., in the John R. Cook building on Columbia avenue, on the 28th day of April, A. D. 1898, at 3 o'clock p. m.

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