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BOUNDARY MINES

THE COPPER CLAIM AND THE ENTERPRISE.

Immense Bodies of Copper Ore on These Claims—Over a Quarter of a Million in Sight on the Copper—Immense Ledges and High Grade Ore—Work Going Merrily on—Good Roads to the Camp.

After the hard climb on the miserable trail which led to the Last Chance mine, it was quite a pleasure to make the journey to Copper camp over a comparatively good road, which, thanks to the efforts of Mr. J. E. Boss, the agent for Messrs. Farrell & Midgeon, has been recently constructed from Mr. Lind's ranch to the claims in the Copper camp. Regarding the journey from the point of view of the picturesque, it leaves little to be desired. The hills, clothed in a dull haze of smoke, with bits of red color where some low growing shrub, already tinged by approaching autumn, relieves the gray and green of the bunch grass; the gaunt outlines against the sky, and the grimness of the solitude would appeal to any one with the smallest possible development of the artistic faculty. These articles, however, should not deal with the picturesque so much as with the eminently practical, and scenery, however beautiful, has nothing whatever to do with mineral claims. So to proceed: About two and a half miles west of Boundary creek on the road one passes through Deadwood camp, of which we hope to speak at some other time. The rich strike by Messrs. McClintock and Morrison, however, is right by the roadside, and is a subject of interest to the passer-by; for the remarkable thing about it is that notwithstanding the fact that men were working at road-making some time ago almost on the very spot, no one noticed any indication of the presence of mineral, and it was not till quite recently that the rich ore which lies just beneath the surface was exposed.

After riding some six miles on the Copper camp road, one sees a board bearing the legend, "To the Enterprise," and a hand with the index finger extended points to the right. Following this direction, one arrives in a very short time at an encampment of canvas tents, though here and there is the more substantial log house. Within one of the former temporary abodes, we found Mr. Austin Hammer, who very kindly consented to act as guide. When our representative was on the road he met two men, who, being asked which claim was the most worth visiting, time being limited, answered; "Well, whatever you do, don't miss seeing the Copper." So to the Copper we went.

The sight to be seen there is truly astonishing—a mountain of copper. There is not, the writer veritably believes, another such sight in America. The ledge, which can be traced for, it is said, over 4,000 feet, varies between 50 and 80 feet, and even in places more, in width. Some of the ore runs as high as 70 per cent. in copper, and assays have shown from $10 to $12 in gold. The wealth of the claim, however, lies in the abundance and the high average value (between 15 and 20 per cent. all through) of the copper.

The Copper mine was recorded by Messrs. Austin Hammer and John Moran, on the 21st November, 1889; it was located two years previously by Messrs, Bowman and Leysar, and known as the Blue Bird, but for some reason or other was abandoned. Since 1889 Messrs. Hammer and Moran have done the necessary amount of work to entitle them to a Crown grant, which they obtained on the 7th of April of last year. There are now five deep open crosscuts, a tunnel showing up the ledge for a length of 750 feet, and a shaft 16 feet deep. The ore now in sight is estimated to be worth a quarter of a million dollars. The vein, which is known as a contact, is between defined porphyry and lime walls and carries copper in the form of red oxide, native copper and copper glance, with a quartz gangue. Although the claim is on the market, we believe we are correct in stating that the owners are by no means in a hurry to dispose of their property, which one day will be known as one of the greatest copper mines in the world.

THE ENTERPRISE.

Another claim in Copper camp on the same ledge as the Copper mine, is the Enterprise, which was recorded on the 31st of August, 1891, by Ewen Keightley, Thos Humphrey and Colin McRae. Messrs. Keightly and Humphrey disposed in 1893 of their claim to Mr. Boss, acting as agent for Messrs. Farrell and Midgeon, while Mr. McRae still controls a one-third interest. The owners have been for some time past steadily developing the property, upon which there are now several prospect shafts, and a main shaft which has reached a depth of 80 feet. In all over 200 feet of work has been done. The No. 1 shaft has been particularly well timbered, and a horse whim is used to hoist the ore. Mr. Boss is very hopeful that the Enterprise will prove a valuable mine, and development work is steadily going on.

Other claims with ore similar to that of the Copper claim are the Last Chance, the King Solomon, the Copper Queen and others, but sufficient has been said to show that a great future awaits the camp, and all indications are favorable to the opinion that that time is not far distant.

Mr. Finch and the Mines.

Mr. Finch, of Spokane, prominently known in mining circles, visited several of the principal properties in Boundary last week. His expectations, he said, were far exceeded, and he was particularly astonished at the size of the great copper ledges in Greenwood. The report that Mr. Finch had some thought of purchasing the Knob Hill and Ironsides was not without foundation and it was therefore disappointing to learn that no transaction had taken place, the owners holding the properties at a valuation beyond which Mr. Finch would possibly have been prepared to offer; and $40,000 for a prospect, however promising, seems a high figure, although the determination of the price of his property is nobody's business but the owner's, yet we trust that we will in this instance be pardoned for saying that the wisdom of the course which the proprietors of the Knob Kill thought proper to pursue is open to question, providing of course they intend to find a purchaser anywhere in the near future. Undoubtedly development will prove the Knob Hill and Ironsides to be among the greatest of the copper and gold mines of North America, but before this can be proven large sums of money must be expended upon machinery and labor, and this, we believe the present owners are not prepared to do.

Trade With British Columbia.

The West Coast Trade, of Tacoma, has the following item of interest to British Columbians: "Trade with British Columbia is beginning to assume a larger degree of importance than ever before, and the prospects are that in certain lines a business of considerable importance will ultimately be developed, adding greater territory to the scope of the jobbing field, and developing closer commercial relations with our neighbors across the line. According to the Evening News, the exports to British Columbia during the week ending Saturday, August 17th, amounted to $5,431.56, making a daily average of $905.26, the largest during the summer. The biggest day's business was done on Saturday, amounting to $1,736.88, and the smallest on Monday, which was $645.84. A steady increase in Tacoma's business with British Columbia and the Canadian provinces has been noticeable during the entire summer, and the daily exports made by local merchants are now nearly twice as large as six months ago."

A Record in Cricket.

A. C. McLaren, a cousin of Mr. Rickards, who resides near Midway, broke all previous records in county cricket last month by the wonderful score of 424. The London Times states, in a recent issue, that in recognition Mr. McLaren is to be presented with a gold watch and be made a life member of the Lancashire Cricket club.

Road Work.

A capital road has just been completed from Grand Forks up the North Fork of Kettle river to Fisherman's creek. Foreman McInnis has now moved his men to the mouth of Rock creek, and a road is to be built from there up the west fork. At this rate, if we only wait long enough, we may even hope to see roads built to the camps.

Determining the Site.

Mr. S. S. Fowler, M. E., has for the past few days been engaged laying out the site for the smelter which it is proposed to erect at Midway. He expects to be occupied here for some time to come by the necessary preliminary work, supposing the scheme to be successfully carried through.

Number of Records for July and August.

No less than 313 claims were recorded at the Government office during the past two months. Of these, 154 applications were made to record in July, and 159 last month. If all the claims located turn out to be mines, Boundary creek will be among the greatest copper and gold producing sections of the world.

AT TRAIL CREEK

DAVID CHRISTIE MURRAY ON THE KOOTENAY.

Ignorance of the Untraveled Briton Concerning the Dominion—Kootenay Well Worth Knowing—Its Lakes and Rivers Are Dreams of Beauty—Rossland as It Is and What It May Be.

One of the most surprising things in the world is the ignorance of the average untraveled Briton concerning the outlying portions of the dominions of the British crown. He knows vaguely that at every hour of the twenty-four the sun is shining somewhere on a land that flies the British flag, but he knows little enough on what it shines. Personally I have no right to brag, for all the knowledge of geography I have has been gained by travel, and four months ago I had never so much as heard of the vast district on the outskirts of which I am now writing. It would be safe to wager that in an assemblage of twenty London clubmen, not one could tell off-hand the whereabouts of the Kootenay or what rights it has to be obtruded on his notice. This oblivion is not likely to endure, for the precious metals have a knack of making famous the places in which they are found. A little war has made many an obscure name familiar in our tongues—names of villages hidden away in Indian hills, names of rivers, mountains and tribes in Africa. Here the bloodless campaign against the forces of nature will carry its own news by and by into every civilized corner of the globe, and, when one stops to think of it, what a war it is and how well worth a chronicle! What a daring creature is this tiny insect, man, who attacks the fastness of mountain and desert, spanning unpeopled continents with railways, and sowing cities by the way. The thing is done with such a look of commonplace that we forget to wonder at it. Some insignificant unit of humanity, with blue blanket, frying pan, axe and pick,, goes out prospecting and makes a find. Straightway other chance units, hearing of his fortune, start after him, and before distant civilization has had time to turn in its sleep, the mountain side is stripped of forest, streets are excavated, houses are built, trails are cut, steamers make the lonely rivers populous, and lo! the nucleus of of a city, the beginning of a new human anthill! The flavor of adventure is strong on the palate of the mere observer: the men who act do not dream that they are adventurous. Thursday night's successful battle with the fire which threatened Rossland would make a noble episode in fiction. It would do more. It would shine majestically in the hands of a man of genius who wrote an epic history of the nineteenth century. But it would surprise me immensely to learn that any half dozen of the hundreds who were engaged in that fight, were approached by any fancy in that direction.

Apart from the interest which attaches itself always to the progress of the giant Prosperity, when he pulls on his seven-league boots and goes for a week in a gold-bearing country, the Kootenay is better worth knowing than any new country in which I have yet set my feet. From the landscape artist's point of view, its rivers, lakes and mountain regions are mere dreams of beauty. Along from Nelson to Bonner's Ferry alone, down the Kootenay river and the lower lakes there are pictures enough to make a painter happy for a lifetime. Not the Murray in far-away Australia, nor its neighbor the Hawkesbury, nor the Wanganui in New Zealand, nor the Danube, nor the Rhine, is a tenth part as rich in natural beauty. There will come a time, and it is not far distant either, when the Canadian Pacific railway will carry its thousands of annual tourists towards this home of landscape and splendor, and hotels reared to wealthy fashion will scare the blue heron, and the skunk, and the other inhabitants of the water-side from their haunts.

It would be curious to return to Rossland after a dozen years, and to find some last vestige of a shanty in its elegant suburbs—to come and go by palace car, to hire a hansom at the railway terminus and drive to the art gallery, the public library, the museum or the theatre. It is curious already to think that at the hour at which I left London on my present journey, the thriving town in which I sit at this moment was not dreamed of. Things move fast everywhere nowadays, but nowhere so fast as in a city which grows on gold. If you want to grow a city, manure its foundations with gold, and before you can fairly turn, you are overshadowed on every hand. David Christie Murray.

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THE PROPOSED SMELTER.

THE announcement which we published last week anent the proposed scheme to erect a smelter in the vicinity of Midway, has caused no little excitement in the district, and a confirmation of the news is anxiously awaited. There is, we are happy to state, no reason whatever to doubt the ability of Mr. FOWLER and his colleague to carry the matter to a satisfactory termination; and the prospects for the consummation of the plan in the immediate future are eminently promising. Mr. FOWLER holds very high rank in his profession, and it is quite safe to predict that the syndicate in whose interests he is now making investigation of the mineral resources of Boundary will be guided entirely by his report. This, judging from the measures that have already been instituted, would seem to be distinctly favorable; and the delay, to which we must now submit for a few weeks, is necessarily occasioned by the inevitable formal consideration of the engineer's report.

It is impossible to over-estimate the direct advantages to the district which would accrue from the building of a smelter here—not essentially at Midway, but at any other point in the neighborhood, conveniently near to the mines. Midway, we understand, has been chosen partly on account of the coal deposits which are to be found within an easy distance towards Rock creek, and partly because in the engineer's opinion it is the centre of the entire district.

Among those who will derive benefit from the plan will be the prospectors themselves. Claims upon which work had been done, but not enough to warrant the prospect of a good sale, could be developed, and in many cases the ore would be found to pay, if sent to the smelter, all the expenses connected with the work of more satisfactorily determining the size and mineralization of the ledge.

Again, not only will the Government be very much more likely to largely increase the appropriation for road-building in this district, a great desideratum, as the necessity of assisting in the development of the country became still more pressing, but there can be little doubt but that rival railway companies would lose little time in taking steps to enter the field. As Canadians we would, other things being equal, prefer to see the C. P. R. first to build a road. We must, however, reluctantly admit that a fairer treatment is generally accorded by American companies to their patrons; and that in advancing the best interests of the district the American railroad would undoubtedly do more. At the same time we would strongly recommend the C. P. R. to lose no time if there is a probability of their ultimately building, in taking the preliminary steps. The experience in the Kootenai should teach the company the folly of delay.

TWO SUGGESTIONS.

MR. MARA's letter, which we print this week, will, we think, prove interesting to the majority of the people of the district; and his proposal to exert his influence towards obtaining a tri-weekly service between Midway or Camp McKinney and Marcus, with a view to arranging that the latter place be made an exchange office, would show that he fully recognizes that better provision for the carriage of the mail are absolutely necessary. If, however, a bi-weekly service from Penticton to Marcus is impracticable, we would suggest to Mr. MARA another plan for his consideration. A tri-weekly mail has been delivered for some time past at Osoyoos; if it is not, as would appear from Mr. MARA's letter, a matter of difficulty to obtain permission to carry Canadian mail over United States territory, why could not a connection be made at Osoyoos with the Kettle river stage? Failing this, the route could be made from Marcus to Fairview, thus saving a distance, supposing a bi-weekly service, of eighty miles a week over possibly the most disagreeable part of the road.

IN last week's issue a technical error occurred in the report of Judge SPINKS' decision in the case of ATKINS v. COY. The following is the correct quotation from the Mineral Act of 1892, c. 30, s. 9: "In case of any dispute as to title to a mineral claim priority of record will determine the right, subject to any question as to the validity of the record, and subject also to a compliance by the free miner with the provisions of this Act." The learned judge will kindly accept this as an apology for misquoting him.

THE MAIL SERVICE

A LETTER FROM MR. MARA ON THE SUBJECT.

May Possibly Have a Tri-Weekly Service to Marcus—An Interesting Letter From One Interested in the Mater—The Claims of Cariboo Compared With Those of This District—An Ample Apology.

An Apology.

To the Editor of THE ADVANCE:

SIR. Re an article in your paper in August and headed "A Disgraceful Affair," I have to say in reference to Mr. Keightly and Mr. Humphrey that there was no claim jumping on their part of the claims in question. They re-located. There was no intention of casting the least reflection on these gentlemen, and I certainly freely and gladly apologize for inadvertently having done so. It was mentioned in connection with the shooting scrape of Harrington and Coutney. Yours,

C. E. STUART.

Grand Forks, B. C., Sept. 4, 1895.

Letter From Mr. Mara.

To the Editor of THE ADVANCE:

SIR—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 27th ult. and to state that I will at once advise the establishment of a money order office at Midway.

I am afraid the government will not at present grant the semi-weekly services to Penticton, and if not, I will urge that a tri-weekly service be established between Midway or Camp McKinney and Marcus. That the latter point be made an exchange office for B. C. mails, and that permission be asked to carry our mails over U. S. territory. The two latter requests will have to be made to the U. S. postal authorities.

While the Marcus service will probably accommodate the greater number, I must admit my preference for an extension of the Penticton service, as it would tend to encourage trade with our own merchants and travel over Canadian lines, but we can't close our eyes to the fact that the route to the south is the shorter and easier, and that it will be the favorite one for some time.

One advantage to be gained by opening this route, is that only Canadian stamps will then be used. This will increase our revenue, which will make it easier to get an increased service via Penticton in the near future. I have great faith in the future of your section, and believe its rapid development will justify a large expenditure on mail services.

I will advise Mr. Fletcher to make a trip to Midway as soon as he possibly can. Yours very truly,

J. A. MARA.

Revelstoke, Sept. 2, 1895.

The Mail Service.

To the Editor of THE ADVANCE:

SIR.—Your issue of the 25th ult. contains an interview with our Dominion representative, Mr. Mara, in which he expresses himself in a way not likely to elevate him in the estimation of his opponents, and so as to probably cause dissatisfaction and distrust amongst his supporters. His shallow excuse for not obtaining better mail facilities are not enough to convince his constituents here that he has done his best for us. Why try to put the onus of the blame on a gentleman, now absent from the province, for not securing a bi-weekly mail between Grand Prairie and Penticton? If Mr. Stuart's estimate was under what the actual cost for the service would be, it was so slightly (not more than $700), that it would not have interfered with granting the service if the matter had been properly and energetically pressed on the Postmaster-General. I came to this conclusion from the liberal manner in which other portions of the province are treated—Cariboo, Lillooet and Kootenay, for instance, which entirely and successfully refutes the supposition that frequency of service is governed by postal revenue.

Now, in regard to exchange of mail between Marcus, Wash., and B. C. postoffices, is it not remarkable that Mr. Mara, seeing the necessity of such an arrangement, did not immediately attend to it, by informing the Canadian Postmaster-General of such a necessity. Instead of doing so he hit upon the brilliant idea of delegating his functions to Mr. Manley and Senator Wilson, who, with all deference to these gentlemen, are neither postmasters-general of Canada nor the U.S. We hope they will succeed in accomplishing that wherein he failed. Then Mr. Mara may extract what consolation he can out of their success. As to establishing a money order office, some one has to write him a letter; what absurdity! Did he not see for himself and recognize the need? Comment is unnecessary. In connection with the enormous amount paid the B. X. Co. for conveyance of the mail between Ashcroft and Cariboo, $24,000, (not $20,000 as stated in your interview), is misleading. The fact that that amount was paid before confederation does not justify that it should be paid now. It was no stipulation of confederation that the amount should continue to be paid, further than that the Dominion Government assumed the responsibility of mail service in the Eastern and Lower provinces at the time of confederation, and consequently had to do so in B. C. The service probably cost that amount, and in those days could not be done for less. But circumstances have greatly changed since. At that time the mail was carried from Yale to Cariboo, over one hundred miles further than from Ashcroft, yet it is compulsory to pay the $24,000, according to Mr. Mara, and not on account of service, but on account of those who get it. If certain parties there, having the same influence with Mr. Mara, had some interest here, you, Mr. Editor, would see how speedily a change would be wrought. I think our representative should see that he can't deceive us all the time, and, to use a western expression, take a tumble ere it is too late.

ONE INTERESTED.

Mr. Finch left last Wednesday for Spokane, Messrs. Neil and Springer remaining in the camp. On Tuesday Mr. Finch visited several properties, among others the Bruce on Inghram mountain.

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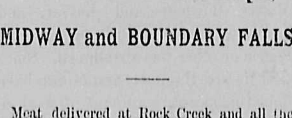

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And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 23rd day of August, 1895.

MINERAL ACT, 1891.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

KNOB HILL MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in Greenwood Camp, Kettle River Mining Division of Yale District, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE that we, Henry White, free miner's certificate No. 57960, Estate of M. Hotter, J. Stevens, free miner's certificate No. 55260 M. W. Palmerston, free miner's certificate No. 62157 and C. J. Lundy, free miner's certificate No. 57572, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 6th day of August, 1895.

MINERAL ACT, 1891.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

THE NUMBER SEVEN MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in Central Camp, Kettle River Mining Division of Yale District, British Columbia.

TAKE NOTICE that we, James Schofield, free miner's certificate No. 55,274 and Edmond Lefevre, free miner's certificate No 55,5.., intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 30th day of July, 1895.

MINERAL ACT, 1893.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

THE JUMBO MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in Summit Camp, Kettle River Mining Division of Yale District, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE that I, William T. Smith, free miner's certificate No. 57984, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Mining Recorder, and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 8th day of August, 1895.

MINERAL ACT, 1891.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

OLD IRONSIDES MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in Greenwood Camp, Kettle River Mining Division of Yale District, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE that we, Henry White, free miner's certificate No. 57960, Estate of M. Hotter, J. Stevens, free miner's certificate No 55260, M. W. Palmerston, free miner's certificate No. 62157 and C. J. Lundy, free miner's certificate No. 57972, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 6th day of August, 1895.

MINERAL ACT, 1893.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

THE EMMA MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in Summit Camp, Kettle River Mining Division of Yale District, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE that I, William T. Smith, free miner's certificate No. 57984, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Mining Recorder, and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 8th day of August, 1895.

MINERAL ACT, 1891.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

THE STEMWINDER MINERAL CLAIM

Situate at Greenwood Camp Kettle River Mining Division of Yale District, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE that I, William T. Smith, free miner's certificate No. 54458, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

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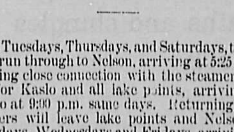

COURTS OF ASSIZE.

Table Showing the Dates and Places of Courts of Assize, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery for the Year 1895.

SPRING ASSIZES

Nanaimo	Tuesday, 7th May
New Westminster	Tuesday, 14th May
Vancouver	Tuesday, 21st May
Clinton	Monday, 27th May
Victoria	Tuesday, 28th May
Kamloops	Monday, 3rd June
Vernon	Monday 10th June
*Donald	Friday, 14th June
*Nelson	Wednesday, 19th June

FALL ASSIZES

Clinton	Thursday, 19th September
Richfield	Monday, 30th September
Kamloops	Monday, 7th October
Vernon	Monday, 14th October
Lytton	Friday, 11th October
New Westminster	Wednesday, 6th November
Vancouver	Monday, 11th November
Victoria	Tuesday, 19th November
Nanaimo	Tuesday, 26th November

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TEMPERATURE FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 7.

	Max.	Min.
Sept. 1	92	51
" 2	70	43
" 3	63	37
" 4	63	25.5
" 5	62	22.5
" 3	70	33
" 7	73	50

LOCAL AND DISTRICT.

Miss McLaren of Grand Forks is staying in Midway for a few days as the guest of Miss McAuley.

Mr. Boss and his family left Copper camp on Friday for Spokane, the autumnal weather making camping out the reverse of pleasant.

Mr. Brown of Penticton has been appointed a notary public for Yale district. We understand that this is a very necessary appointment.

Captain and Mrs. Adams left Midway on Tuesday for Montreal. It is possible that the captain may return this winter on townsite business.

Mr. E. McMynn shot last week one of the largest black bears ever seen in the district. The animal was killed close to the house on the ranch at Rock Creek.

Three Indians were arrested last week at the west end of the reservation for creating a disturbance in Mr. Nelson's store. Dan McClung left on Thursday to take them to the fort at Spokane.

It is possible that owing to the non arrival of tar paper and other material to be used in the building of the school house, from Vernon, the contractor will be compelled to cease work for a few days.

The hay stacks and buildings of Mr. O. Johnson's farm near Rock Creek were threatened by bush fires last week, and but for the timely arrival of neighbors his own efforts would have been unavailing.

The funeral of Mackay Ingrim's little daughter, aged two years, took place on Monday, and was largely attended. Much sympathy is felt for the parents. The child had been ailing for some time with a disease of the lungs.

Mr. Cuppage, nephew of the Hon. F. G. Vernon, has been appointed to fill the vacancy as constable and recorder at Osoyoos, made vacant by Mr. W. H. Bullock-Webster's recent promotion as chief of police of the New Westminster district.

Mr. Wood, Mr Hugh Wood and Mr. C. L. Thomet returned from a visit to White scamp on Saturday. Mr. Wood was delighted with the showing of the Jack of Spades, in which claim he has an interest. They propose leaving for Long Lake on Monday.

The severe frosts on Thursday and Friday nights damaged very considerably Mr. Hopper's bean and corn crops. He estimates his loss to be at least $50. Frost at this time of the year is considered as an unusual occurrence, especially on the bench lands.

Messrs. Lauder Bros. have just received a record to the land they preempted some time ago near Ingbram mountain. At one time they feared that the title would be refused on the grounds that the land adjoins the Texas claim, and settlers are not entitled to vacant ground upon which mineral is likely to be discovered. The difficulty has, however, been overcome, though, of course, should mineral be found, the present owners would be obliged to relinquish their rights to the finder. Undeterred by this possibility, a part of the land has already been put under cultivation, and the building of a house and stable is to be commenced next week.

Has Many Grievances.

We are in receipt this week of a letter of a correspondent from Grand Forks, who signs himself "A Miner." Miner has many grievances, though probably they could all be traced to one source—a derangement of the liver. First he objects to the way in which the "Canadians seem to be running the country through THE ADVANCE?" This is very complimentary, no doubt, to us, but the meaning is rather obscure. Then he objects to the situation of the recorder's office, which he declares was built to help "somebody to build up a boom town: he asserts that if a man "does not record a claim within the prescribed time, and come to this boom town personally he loses all rights" to the claim. This statement we do not believe to be correct. Our friend also strongly disapproves of having to pay for a miner's license. He concludes his letter with the comforting assurance that were "this mineral country in Yankeedom you would have a few saloons and a dozen good sized towns in place of a few dilapidated dinner buckets." We should have great pleasure in publishing "A Miner's" decidedly original letter, but for the fact that the writer disregards our rule anent personal allusion. He speaks of the ladies in a very disrespectful manner, which was hardly to be expected from a man apparently belonging to a most gallant class.

NEWS OF THE ROAD

ITEMS OF THE DISTRICT BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Anarchist Mountain, Fairview and Okanagan Misssion Visited—Fruit Shipments to the Northwest—Garden Party and Dance at Fairview—New Postoffice but no Mail Service at Anarchist Mountain.

From our Traveling Correspondent.

Anarchist Mountain.

A number of pre-emptions have been taken up in and around Anarchist Mountain this summer, and the amount of improvements, such as building, fencing, breaking up land and putting in crops, would indicate that the people who have determined to make this portion of British Columbia their future home are of the right class. They are principally Americans from the state of Washington, possessed of a wonderful amount of energy and ready to show that however depressed the times, they mean in spite of them to succeed. It is safe to say that the rapid development of the mines in the district, will, in the near future, afford them a capital market for their produce, and they, therefore, will suffer no disappointment at having found new homes and adopted a new country. There is room left in British Columbia for many such sturdy settlers, and they should receive every inducement to settle here.

The settlers, principally new comers, have built several miles of road this summer between Anarchist Mountain and Rock Creek, and all that is now wanted to give the connection with the main trunk road, and consequently with the camps and towns along its route, is a good bridge and crossing at Rock Creek. Such is deserving of some recognition, and an appropriation by the government for this purpose would be much appreciated. Any traveler visiting for the first time the Anarchist Mountain settlement, could not help being struck with the fertility of soil when witnessing the enormously fine crops of hay, grain and all kinds of farm produce, that are being harvested in this elevated and apparently favored section of British Columbia's southern interior. The crops of hay and grain on Mr. R. G. Sidley's ranch are so heavy that it makes him feel tired when he thinks of how long it will take to get it all into the stacks. This is a truly distressing case and he is much to be pitied and envied. The assurance is given that 32 children of school age are living in the neighborhood of Anarchist Mountain, and although the settlers are constantly in communication with the heads of the education department, yet there seems to be an unwarrantable delay in providing the necessary school accommodation and instruction for the children. It is hard to believe the whole of the blame can be attached to the education department, as a concerted request for assistance by the parents of so large a body of children would surely receive attention at the hands of the authorities. It is to be hoped that some interest will be aroused in the case by bringing it to public notice. If the case is correctly stated, the existing state of affairs, that so many children in our neighborhood are without educational advantages, reflect little credit on the department of public instruction or upon the parents of the children.

Sidley is the name of one of the newest postoffices in British Columbia, it having been recently created by Inspector Fletcher for the accommodation of the Anarchist Mountain settlement. Up to the present, however, it is a postoffice in name only, owing to the fact that although on the 1st day of August last it was supposed to take its place among the rank and file of established postoffices of the Dominion yet the dilatory manner of management of postal matters by the above named gentleman, has caused it to be created a month or two, and it may be a year or two, in advance of arrangements for the conveyance of mails from the nearest office at Camp McKinney, no mail carriers as yet having been appointed to this service. Daddy Fletcher, the pet Dominion inspector and bungler of postal affairs, cannot be supposed, so busily is he engaged in mismanagement, to perceive the utility of a postoffice without a service.

Fairview.

At Fairview a tremendous bush fire is devastating the country, burning up and destroying much valuable timber and bunch grass, and so close was it to the camp last week that many of the inhabitants were obliged to turn out and fight it back, to prevent the destruction of outstanding buildings, erected upon some of the mining claims. It is about time a stop was put to this form of crime, the setting out of fires, and every effort should be made to discourage the practice. The magistrates will, no doubt, on the first opportunity, make a severe example of offenders of this class.

On Thursday evening last Mr. and Morris gave an ice cream social and dance to the residents of Fairview and the surrounding country. About a dozen ladies were present and dancing was enjoyed until the early hours of morning. A repetition of the social event is placed for the 1st of October next.

The recent development in the Kruger mountain mines has caused an American cousin to entertain the idea of putting a steamboat on the Lower Okanagan river, and the originator of the scheme paid a visit recently to Osoyoos, with the object of finding out the patronage he may fairly expect from this side of the line. For the sake of the country's prospects, it is to be hoped he will receive a sufficient assurance of support to justify the carrying out of the project, which undoubtedly would assist in the development of our mineral resources.

Okanagan Mission.

Mr. B. Lequime and family of Okanagan Mission left on Monday last for California, where they intend residing for the next year or two.

The Lequime ranch property at Okanagan Mission has been rented for a term of three years to Mr. F. Conklin.

The tobacco planters are busily engaged harvesting the crop, and it is safe to say the product of the 25 acres if properly handled will make for itself a name in the markets of this country, for we are assured that the crop is an exceptionally good one, the quality being from present appearances very fine.

The new Anglican church at Kelowna is fast nearing completion and the beauty of the structure reflects great credit upon the designer, as does the workmanship upon the contractor. consecration of the edifice will take place upon the arrival of the bishop, who is expected here about the end of the first week in October.

The result of the experiment of shipping carloads of mixed fruits and vegetables to the mountain section of the C. P. R. and the Northwest territory is anxiously awaited by fruit growers here, and if the shipment recently sent is a success financially, a market will have been secured to farmers and fruit growers in the valley the value of which at the present time it would be hard to estimate. Co-operative effort is all that is needed to bring wealth to the rancher and prosperity to the country.

The Northwest Miners' Association,

To the Editor of the ADVANCE:

SIR.—The needs for closer relations among the mining men of the Northwest has long been felt, both as to the protection of the mining interests with reference to legislation, and for the purpose of more widely diffusing the knowledge of proper methods and means for more successful mining.

The object of this association is not to form a mining exchange, but to consult together as mining men and men interested in mines and encourage the passage of such laws, both state and national, as will best subserve the mining industry.

Want of organization has been felt in all the mining districts of the Northwest, and while isolated or individual effort often fails to successfully combat adversities which are met with, the combined interests and general knowledge to be acquired by co-operation has led to the present movement, which is the organization of what we are pleased to name the Northwest Miners' Association, and which should at once enlist the hearty support of all who are engaged, in whatever capacity, in mining.

The field proposed to be covered by this organization, with your co-operation and the endorsement of others engaged in mining in the territory, are the states of Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon, and the province of British Columbia.

It is now proposed to hold the first general meeting in this city, October 2nd and 3rd. of this year, at which time the permanent officers will be elected and committees named. We trust to be favored with your presence and by all others who will afford themselves the short vacation. We strongly urge that you make this matter of as general publicity as possible and extend to everyone engaged, or in any way interested in mining, a hearty invitation to be present, informing the secretary of their intention.

You will find the people of Spokane very friendly to the mining interests and anxious to make you feel at home here, and our mutual interests should lead to unity of action.

No credentials will be required at the first meeting, and all who attend will share alike in the business of the organization. Let us hear from you and send us the names of others to whom we should address this letter. Prompt action will insure greater success.

Reduced railway rates may be expected. Yours respectfully.

A. P. CURRY, Tem. Chairman.
L. K. ARMSTRONG, Tem. Sec'y.
Spokane, Wash., Aug. 23, 1895.

Praiseworthy Energy.

Mr. Suydam sent to Rossland on Saturday's stage a large number of samples from the principal claims of Boundary, where they will be placed upon exhibition. He left on Sunday to attend to their arrangement, and to endeavor to interest the Rossland people in the sister camp. There are few men in the district who are more deserving of our warmest thanks than Mr. Suydam. His untiring energy and constant effort to bring mining property in Boundary to the notice of outside capitalists, and his readiness to join any movement likely to advance the interests of the miners is too well known to need comment; it is sufficient to say that it is our sincere hope that when the future of Boundary creek is assured, Mr. Suydam will find his reward.

Mr. Christie has been obliged to stop work for a time, owing to bush fires. This will be a terrible deprivation to him.

ON THE LOCATIONS

NEWS OF THE MINES OF THE DISTRICT.

A Good Strike on Anarchist Mountain—The Smuggler Claim at Fairview Gets Returns From the Tacoma Smelter—Development Work on the Morning Star at Fairview—Surveying the Golden Rod.

Messrs. Coryell and Haas are surveying the Golden Rod, White's camp.

Captain Short's claim at Swan Lake is to be worked by Mr. Armstrong and others of Vernon.

The manager of the Strathyre company at Fairview is now awaiting the arrival of shoeing dies and other necessary machinery for the stamp mill, before starting the mill on a run of ore which is awaiting treatment.

The gold commissioner, Mr. Lambly, and Mr. Cameron, manager of the Strathyre company at Fairview, arrived in Midway on Friday, leaving on the following day for the camps. Mr. Lambly will probably be in the neighborhood for eight or ten days.

Messrs. Farrell and Midgeon arrived in Midway the middle of last week. They visited the Emma, in Summit camp on Friday, and examined the work done last winter under Mr. Smith's direction. Before the shaft could be descended it was necessary to pump out twenty-five feet of water.

The proprietors of the Spotted Horse, Messrs. Coveat and Sutherland, have just completed the third assessment. A twelve-foot tunnel has been run into the vein, and the showing is most satisfactory. The property will prove valuable in the event of the erection of a smelter in the district, the ore as yet is not very rich in gold and silver, running 60 per cent. in lead. The silver goes probably from 12 to 40 ounces to the ton.

George Cook located last month a claim in Wellington camp, the Jim, which promises one day to develop into a valuable mine. Already overtures have been made to him to bond the claim. A ten-foot shaft has been sunk, and the iron capping which covers the ore has been removed. The ore is a copper sulphate, and it is supposed will assay between $25 and $30 in gold. The ledge is known to be fifty feet wide, but how much more has not been determined.

Development work is steadily being pushed forward on the Morning Star claim at Fairview by Messrs. Margott & McEachren, who are sinking a shaft to determine the extent of the east vein of ore, which runs parallel with the main body of ore on the claim, the shaft being now down a depth of 100 feet. The ore from the bottom of the shaft is of a very satisfactory character, and in fact the ledge, although smaller than the main one, may be considered the richer of the two. At no distant date we expect the ore from this claim to be treated by a mill owned by the proprietors of the property.

Another large body of ore has been struck on the ranch of Mr. Learow, Anarchist Mountain, and the proprietors who are now trying to ascertain the extent of the deposit, have already stripped the ledge to a width of 70 feet, without having as yet located the walls. It is a large body of hematite ore, similar in character to that found on Kruger mountain, also to the east and west of Boundary creek, the North Fork of Kettle river, and those of Trail creek. The frequency of the outcroppings and the great number of claims located would tend to show that a vast ledge of ore runs in an almost direct east and west line through the country for a distance already determined of over a hundred miles, and in each and every instance in which claims have been located upon it, the ore body has been found to be of an immense width, testifying to the permanency of its character. The Winnipeg claim in Wellington camp is located upon the same ore vein.

The trial shipment of ore from the Smuggler claim at Fairview, recently sent to the Tacoma smelter by the owner, Mr. T. Elliott, returns from which have been received, gave, after the expenses for smelting had been deducted, a net return of $143.70. Before being shipped the ore was sorted at the mines, yet the returns are considered satisfactory. The class of ore taken from the mine before work was stopped a few days ago, preparatory to the establishment of hoisting machinery, is of a much better character than that sent to Tacoma, as an assay from the bottom of the shaft, which is now down 92 feet, gave the splendid result of a little over $300 to the ton in gold and silver. Much free gold is met with in the ore at present, and some of the specimens are of a peculiarly rich character. So well satisfied is Mr. Elliott with the present look of the property that he has determined not to ship any more ore away for treatment, but owing to its richness and free milling character to treat it upon the ground, and arrangements have been made with the proprietors of the Crawford mills for the erection of one of their plants upon the property, which will be the first introduction of this method of gold extraction for ore in the province. The result of this experiment will no doubt be watched with close attention by all interested in free milling propositions throughout this section, and should it be successful, no prophet is needed to say that not one but many such plants will be in operation upon our ore bodies in the near future, ushering in a new era of prosperity to the mining industry of the province.

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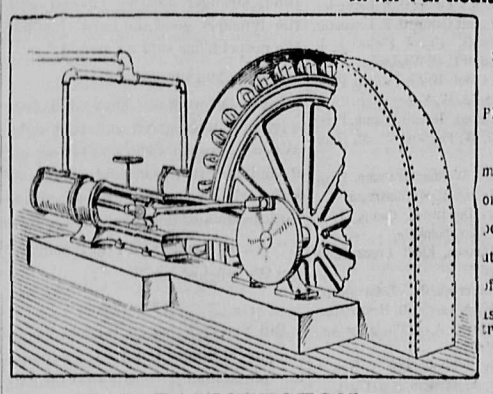

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THE MINING NEWS

OF THE PROVINCE FOR THE PAST WEEK.

Hydraulicing in Cariboo—Le Roy Averaging One Hundred Tons a Day—Cribbing for Silver King Ore Bins All in Place—Strike on Hauser Creek—Ore Treatment by Electricity—Records for the Week.

A new stack is to be added to the Pilot Bay smelter.

A company is putting a dredger at work on the Quesnelle river.

The contract for a tramway, flume and ore shutes for the Slocan Star has been let.

Over 4,000 pounds of piping went north last week from Ashcroft for the Slouch creek mines.

The Good Enough claim at Kaslo is being worked in a satisfactory manner and is said to be very rich.

The Cariboo Gold Fields company is at present employing 60 white men, averaging $3.50 a day.

The Maud Hydraulic company on the Quesnell purpose spending $10,000 for water for hydraulicing purposes.

Dan Tarmey has made some fine locations on Hauser Creek, the surface croppings assaying $7 in gold and more than 100 ounces in silver.

A report comes from Clinton that two men have discovered four silver-copper ledges in the triangle between Fountain, Clinton and Ashcroft.

The Le Roi's new machinery was started up the latter part of August, and the mine has now settled down to a daily average of about 100 tons.

The cribbing for the Silver King 200-foot ore bin is all in place, and the excavation for the two receiving bins is nearly completed. The towers for the tramway will all be delivered next week, and the wire rope is now being delivered at points along the right of way.

On 20-Mile creek at Quesnelle river it has been the practice of miners for years to turn the creek from one side to the other each season and work the banks. This has been done for more than twenty years, and, while the returns are not very large, owing to the crude manner of working, yet the miners make fair wages.

The Hall Mines company, Toad Mountain, has decided not to build a smelter, but to contract its ore to one of the great smelting companies operating in the United States, one of the conditions being that the smelter is to be erected at Nelson. The Omaha-Grant people seem to have the inside track at present for securing the contract.

Grant McKean, a miner, had a narrow escape from being cremated in a bush fire last week. As it is he is laid up at the Pilot Bay hotel with a broken and badly bruised leg. McKean with others was engaged in checking the bush fire in the neighborhood of the Davies-Sayward sawmill at Pilot Bay. His companions left him to return to Pilot Bay, and they had not gone many minutes when a monster burning tree began to totter. McKean, in endeavoring to escape, lost his footing and the tree striking his left leg above the ankle, broke both bones. He extricated himself and crawled down to the water's edge where his cries for assistance were heard.

From Trail Creek come almost daily reports of the uncovering of large bodies of ore in the older mines and development is making shipping propositions a common occurrence. The War Eagle has made a connection in No. 2 tunnel and No. 3 shaft, and has uncovered a very high grade ore body, having a length of over 200 feet at a depth of 130 feet, thereby making available many thousand tons of ore. It is estimated that 15,000 tons is the amount thus uncovered. The Josie company has three shifts on the raise and shaft connecting the main tunnel with the surface, and has encountered ore carrying a value of from $50 to $120 in gold. The amount of ore extracted will much more than pay for the work. The Le Roi company has begun sinking a shaft on the Black Bear. On this claim is another distinct vein which is considered as rich as the main vein.

The mining fraternity for the world over have for years endeavored to solicit the services of Edison in solving the problem of economically extracting gold from refractory ores. Finally this eminent electrician has consented to devote his energies to this subject and has secured a sulphuret gold mine and is hard at work solving the problem of working the ores by electricity. Mr. Edison says there are ten principal details to be mastered and that he has already discovered the methods to be adopted by eight of them. Two-tenths of this problem now remain to be solved. He has already spent weeks on it and will continue until he has solved it, as he is certain it can be done. It may be asserted as a fact that all sulphurets, particularly sulphurets of iron, carry gold. Sulphurets cannot possibly penetrate any rock but from below, therefore we may naturally conclude that the heaviest body of such kind of ore has been invariably found to improve in quality with depth. As about twenty-nine-thirtieths of all gold contained in the earth is in sulphurets and rebellious ores, the immense importance of Edison's work can be seen at a glance, and the mining world will watch his progress with anxious eyes.

KETTLE RIVER MINING DIVISION.

Records of Mineral Locations for the Week Ending September 4.

Aug. 27. Union, Wellington camp, Thomas Pascoe and Henry Alles.
" 27. Red Jacket, Wellington Camp, Pat J. Shea, John Benson and W. Simons.
" 27. Carbonate, Wellington Camp, Con. Sheehan and John Buckley.
" 27. Little Bell Lumpp, Grand Forks, Gus Hamlin.
" 27. The 21, Summit Camp, G. H. Sutherland.
" 27. Jumbo, Brown's Camp, O. C. Gunderson and W. L. O'Connell.
" 28. Lulu, Brown's Camp, Herbert Shaw.
" 28. Tip Top, Long Lake Camp, Herbert Shaw.
" 29. Last, Summit Camp, O. E. Lenander.
" 29. Prens, Summit Camp, O. E. Lenander.
" 29. Grand Forks, Grand Forks, J. L. Wiseman and C. O. Washborn.
" 29. Highland Chief, Brown's Camp, Peter Roberts and J. W. Fox.
" 29. Pumpkin Seed, Brown's Camp, Peter Roberts, J. W. Fox and W. M. Crandall.
" 29. Maple Leaf, Wellington Camp, Leander Merson and P. W. McGregor.
" 29. Gold Bug, Deadwood Camp, J. S. Reed and Alex. Schrette.
" 29. Mountain Queen, Eholt Creek, H. P. McCraney.
" 30. Body, Eholt creek, W. J. Cavanagh.
" 31. Geneva, Eholt creek, G. Heatherton, W. H. Brown, A. J. Childgren and Thomas Wilson.
" 21. Gold Condy, Summit camp, T. Hair.
" 31. Maud S, Summit camp, E. J. Clark.
" 31. O. K., Texas creek, Daniel R. Lugh and Tobie H. Sears.
" 31. Lucky Dan, Christina Lake, Mark Cyr.
" 31. Dandy, Brown's camp, G. J. Bowman.
Sept. 2. Hidden Treasure, Smith's camp, John Thompson.
" 2. Walford, Wellington crmp, Alison McLaine.
" 2. Clipper, Deadwood camp, Charles Crossman.
" 2. Monster, Deadwood camp, H. B. Thoen.
" 2. Iron Mountain, N. F. Kettle river, F. B. Harper and T. B. Haley.
" 3. The Great Laxey, Summit camp, T. Corkhill.
" 3. Twin Mine, Summit camp, Mark McGraw.
" 3. Erwin, Summit camp, E. E. Jesseph.
" 3. Double Standard, Grand Forks, R. H. Williams.
" 3. Vancouver, Deadwood camp, A. G. Baggs and C. Barbour.
" 3. Iron Cap No. 1, Brown's camp, Wyley A. Glover.
" 3. Bunch Grass, Brown's camp, Wyley A. Glover.
" 3. Little Butte, N. F. Kettle R., J. H. Fox
" 3. Stray colt, " " W. Crandall.
" 3. Sunset, " " J. H Fox.
" 3. Original, Brown's camp, James F. Burr and James H. Rolfe.
" 3. Iron king, Brown's camp, Alexander Shannon and Julius Brandt.
" 3. Echo, Brown's camp, Alexander Shannon and Julius Brandt.
" 3. Mary L., Brown's camp, Alexander Shannon and Julius Brandt.
" 3. Log Cabin, Grand Forks, John Chapman.
" 3. Free Coinage, Grand Forks, Florence McCarthy.
" 3. The Advance, Grand Forks, W. Collins, G. Reynolds, and J. P. Reydolds.
" 3. Copper Green, Brown's camp, W. Collins and G. Reynolds.
" 3. Red Rose, Brown's camp, W. Collins and G. Reynolds.

TRANSFERS.

Aug. 27. Alena, ¾ interest, Clement Vacher to J. M. J. H. Give.
" 27. St. Maurice, ¼ interest, Clement Vacher to J. M. J. H. Give.
" 28. Lake View, ¼ interest, R. Stuart to C. N. L. Thomet.
" 29. Belle of Ottawa, all interest, J. Rece to Maurice O'Connor.
" 29. Humming Bird, all interest, J. Rece to Maurice O'Connor.
" 29. Le Roi, ¼ interest, J. Rece to Maurice O'Connor.
Sept. 2. Hecla, ¼ interest, E. A. Bieclenberg to T. McDonald.

CERTIFICATE OF WORK.

Aug. 19. Climax, James Atwood.
" 25. Marmont, Ferdinand Dittmer.
" 26. Alaska, William Dittmer.
" 29. Lancashire Lass, Thomas J. Hardy.
Sept. 2. Mountain Rose, W. T. Smith.
" 2. Jumbo, John Robertson
" 2. Stanton, J. E. Boss.
" 2. Boston, J. E. Boss.

Reform in Bloody Gulch.

He wore a buckskin suit and wide-brimmed hat. The revolvers at his belt looked as if they had seen considerable use, but he was quiet when the stranger in the smoking car drew him into conversation.

"Yes, I've been pretty tough," he said. "I guess we all have out at *Bloody Gulch, but we have got over it.* Got religion, you know. A fellow came through there last week with a gospel cart, and he got all the boys out and talked to them good and hard. He said a lot about how a feller should be known by his deeds and not by the bluff he puts up. He said his work was what counted and not the guff. So we all got thinkin' about what tough critters we were, and we made up our minds to try a new way."

"To be good?" asked the stranger.

"That's it; that's the stuff exactly," said the man with the big revolvers. "We are goin' to be good and start a regular old reform wave shootin' round the gulch. There's been a lot of lynchin' out there, you know, and so we took that in hand first; made up our minds that it had got to stop, and stop quick. The boys don't stand no foolin' when they get ready to move somethin's got to happen. So when we heerd about eastern cities and their reform committees and their civic federations, and all that sort of stuff, we got together and organized a little committee of own. It was a hot one, too, I tell ye. All the boys belong to it that are any good, and they swore they'd stop lynchin' inside twenty-four hours, and they done it."

"Organized an anti-lynching league, I take it," said the stranger.

"That's what it was, and it was a hummer. We just waited our chance to ketch some of the tough fellers that was takin' the law into their own hands, and we got it. We heerd of a lynchin' that was comin' off that very night we organized our reform committee. Some of the fellers from the other end of the gulch had located a hoss thief, and they were goin' out to string him up. Well, stranger, a hoss thief is a pretty durned mean sort of a critter, and I ain't got much use for 'em myself, but religion is religion, and if a feller's got it, I reckon he's got to stick to it. So we went out after the lads that was goin' to lynch the hoss thief, and we caught 'em about a mile up the gulch. We saved the hoss thief, stranger, and we labored with the lynchers good and hard—just like the gospel feller said we should."

"Were you successful?"

"You bet we was. They ain't been a lynchin in the gulch since that night. When we want reform you bet we get it, and get it quick, and everybody knows that we mean business. There can't be no mistake about that."

"What did you do with the lynchers?"

"We lynched 'em."

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