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Boundary Mines Work 1200 Men

A careful estimate of the situation shows that upwards of 1200 men are employed in the mines and smelters of the Boundary, including those directly employed in ore carrying from the mine to the smelters.

The amount of money distributed in the Boundary each month for the wages of these men is estimated to be upward of $130,000 annually. Inasmuch as a number of properties are not now working that are expected to be operated this spring it is safe to say that in a short time wages will be distributed in this immediate section at the rate of $2,000,000 annually. Following are the figures on which the above estimate is based, and they are beleived to be under rather than over the actual figures of monthly disbursement for wages at the present times:

Mines, Etc.	No. Men.	Est. Wages monthly
Granby mines	375	$37,500
Athelstan	25	2,500
Mother Lode	200	60,000
Emma	35	3,500
Ore Denver	30	3,000
Providence	35	3,500
Elkhorn	16	1,600
Sons of	16	1,600
Miscellaneous, including petties	50	[illegible]
Granby smelter	225	22,500
Mother Lode smelter	150	15,000
Train crews	150	25,000
Totals	1,300	$[illegible]

The number of men employed at the mines varies to some extent continually, and sometimes more than the number here given are employed at the different mines and smelters. All miners in the Boundary receive $3.50 per day of eight hours underground or 10 hours above ground, while muckers receive $3 for the corresponding time. The railway train crews work long hours and receive extra for all overtime, making the checks of some of them run up into comfortable figures.

Grand Trunk Pacific Contract.

Ottawa, March 1.—The modifications of the Grand Trunk Pacific contract provide that the time for the completion of the western division shall be extended until 1911. If the government fails to construct the eastern division within a certain time after the western division is constructed, the company will get back its deposit of five millions. If the government takes over it.

There can be no foreclosure on the road until five years complete default in the payment of interest on the bonds guaranteed by the government.

Instead of purchasing $20,000,000 worth of rolling stock the company need but purchase $15,000,000 if the eastern division is not completed.

The government will have to guarantee bonds for 75 per cent of the cost of construction of the mountain section without limitations, but in prairie sections the limitation stands at $13,000 a mile.

The Grand Trunk railway need not hold the entire $25,000,000 of common stock, but simply a majority, so as to control the policy of the Grand Trunk Pacific. If there is default by the company to pay interest the English system is adopted and an agent or receiver will be appointed and the system will be managed by him, who, after [illegible] to pay interest on the government's guaranteed bonds and 25 per cent on the bonds held by the Grand Trunk railway.

At The Emma Mine.

J. J. Campbell of the Hall smelter at Nelson was a visitor in Summit camp last week to inspect the Emma mines, two miles from Eholt, in which the smelter is interested, and which it has been actively operating for over a year. Shipments have been made from two large glory holes. An incline tunnel has been started farther down the hill from the original ore quarry, and the hoist from the No. 2 quarry will be installed.

Ore from the Emma has been found desirable for use as a flux at the different Kootenay-Boundary smelters when the supply was more than was needed by the Nelson smelter. Thus shipments have been made to the Trail, the Boundary Falls, the Greenwood and the Grandy smelters, latterly a large part of the output going to the last named reduction works. Since the first of January the Emma has shipped about 3000 tons of ore, while in 1903 the shipments [illegible]

Suits Against Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company.

The relatives of seventeen of the deceased miners, killed in the explosion on the 22nd of May, 1902, at Coal Creek, procured representation of the estates of the deceased by appointing the Italian consul at Toronto administrator. This official brought 17 suits for damages against the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., in the court of Ontario, and all of these actions were on the 12th of February dismissed. These are the first suits growing out of the explosion that have been finally determined and they have been disposed of in favor of the company.

There are some 90 damage suits against the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., which grew out of the Coal Creek disaster, still pending in the courts in this province. In all of these cases still pending S. S. Taylor, K. C., of Nelson, and W. R. Ross, of Fernie, M. L. A., are the solicitors. They are to come up at the assizes in May. By order of the court four out of the whole number of cases will be tried and on the outcome of these four, verdicts will be rendered in the other cases.

Addition to Granby Smelter.

A press dispatch from Spokane of March 1st says: "We are working on plans for an eight furnace addition to the Granby smelter at Grand Forks, B. C., which would increase its capacity from 2100 tons to 4800 tons a day," said Jay P. Graves, general manager of the Granby Consolidated company, yesterday.

"H. N. Galer, assistant manager has completed the survey and is working on the plans. I shall submit the plans to the directors of the Grandy company on my return trip, and they will decide on carrying them out. It was at first planned to make the addition a six furnace plant, duplicating the present smelter, but we are now figuring on an increase of 33 1-3

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Bradstreet's states that 80 per cent of those who fail in buisiness are those who do not advertise. Nuffced.

Since the Bear came out of his hole the Japanese have been doing nothing but Russian the Growler.

What if a Milwaukee chemist has discovered that there are 96,000,000 germs on an old $1 bill? Who's afraid?

Little Chili is congratulating herself that she succeeded in working a couple of warships off on Japan when the boom was on.

A recent English dispatch states that Sir J. G. Colmer has been added to tbe Chamberlain commission to "look after Canadian interests." Why not appoint a Canadian? What does Mr. Colmer know of Canada? True, he was for some years Secretary to the Canadian Commissioner, but any one who had occasion to call at those offices may remember that it was easier to see Sir Charles Tupper or Lord Strathcona than Mr. Colmer. He adhered to the old dignified English method of locking himself in, surrounded by English clerks. In his day it was impossible to obtain any satisfactory information of Canada. An enquiry was usually answered by the the handing out of an armful of C. P. R. printed matter.—Winnipeg Commercial.

Nearly everyone in the early part of the season predicted a very mild winter. As usual the old timers remembered well, a similar fall, away back in the 80's or 90's, which was followed by an exceptionally mild winter with but little snow. The theory was also advanced that as there had been such a heavy rainfall during the summer and fall seasons that there would be but a light snowfall during the winter months. But contrary to the predictions of "the oldest inhabitants" and the newcomers alike, the present winter has been no milder than many during the past ten years and the snowfall has not been equalled since the winter of 1896-1897. True, we have not experienced the very cold weather and heavy storms that they have in the East, but the weather here has been rather severe for southern British Columbia, which boasts of one of the finest climates in Canada.

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LOCAL AND DISTRICT.

Mrs. A. C. Mesker has returned from a trip to Nelson.

G. O. Guise, merchant of Westbridge, was in Midway on Tuesday.

Mrs. C. M. Melville returned this week from visiting friends at Greenwood.

J. G. McMynn, of Rock Creek, made a business trip to Midway on Wednesday.

E. V. Ruger, U. S. customs officer at Chesaw was in Midway this week on his way to Curlew.

W. Powers, of the Kettle River Lumber Co., Grand Forks, was a visitor to Midway during the week.

G. S. Page, American customs officer, with headquarters at Curlew, was among the week's visitors to Midway.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Crowell attended the Leap Year ball at Phoenix last Monday evening and report a good time.

A. C. Mills, who has been spending the winter at St. Louis, is expected to return to Midway in about a week's time.

James Castleman has moved from his ranch, near Boundary Falls, to Midway and has taken up his residence on 6th St.

Mrs. E. T. Hogle and family arrived in Midway Tuesday from Chesaw, to join Mr. Hogle, who is express messenger on the C & W., between here and Nelson.

Cousens Bros., of Camp McKinney, are removing their stock of general merchandise from McKinney to Greenwood, where they will open for business shortly.

C. M. Henderson, V. S., of Greenwood, was in Midway on Tuesday attending a sick horse belonging to C. L. Thomet, which, owing to his skilful treatment has recovered,

J. A. Coulson has moved his family from the ranch to Midway in the cottage of D. McNaughton, on Dominion street, where they will remain until they go to join Mr. Coulson in Alberta.

J. P. Blaine, of Chesaw, Wash., was in Midway this week on business in connection with the electric railway, which his company proposes to build between here and Chesaw, and on which, work, it is stated, will be commenced with the opening of spring.

On Tuesday last the school hours in the public schools of the province were increased. On March 1st the summer hours went into effect, and from then until next fall the children have to be at school at 9 a. m. and are not dismissed at the close of the day until 3.30.

Martin Burrell, the Liberal-Conservative Candidate for Yale-Cariboo, held very successful meetings at Rock Creek on Thursday evening and at Sidley last night. Mr. Burrell is a fluent speaker, is well informed on the various issuess of Dominion politics and is making friends in this part of his constituency.

D. G. Mills, whose ranch is just across the International boundary line from Midway, this week bought a sawing machine that is capable of cutting thirty cords of wood per day. Mr. Mills has a large quantity of timber on his place and with the introduction of a machine should be able to supply much of the wood required in and around town.

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Albert Godette, a machine man, was badly hurt at the Mother Lode mine Monday evening last. The machine he was working became in some manner deranged and the operator being so situated that he could not get out of its reach, and the air still being on, he got a very severe pounding in the back. He is seriously, but it is thought not fatally injured. He was taken to Greenwood on Tuesday and placed in the hospital.

If you are superstitious about the number 13, you ought not to carry in your pocket or use in any way an American silver quarter dollar. Do you happen to have one about you now? If so take a look and see how it teems with 13's. For instance: It has 13 stars, 13 letters in the scroll in the eagle's beak, 13 feathers in the eagle's tail, 13 parallel bars in the shield, 13 horizontal stripes, 13 leaves on the olive branch, 13 arrow heads and 13 letters in the words "quarter dollar."

A dispatch from Greenwood of March 2 says that Frederick Keffer, superintendent of the B. C. Copper Company, and J. E. McAllister, smelter manager for the same concern, have bonded the Bruce mineral claim, near Midway. These gentlemen have presumably acted in the interest of the corporation with which they are connected. The Bruce is owned by J. C. Haas, Sydney M. Johnson, and associates, and is considered a very fine property. Some high grade copper has been found on the property. A large amount of development work was done on the claim some years ago. The property is only a short distance from the Canadian Pacific railway and to connect it therewith by tram will be a small matter.

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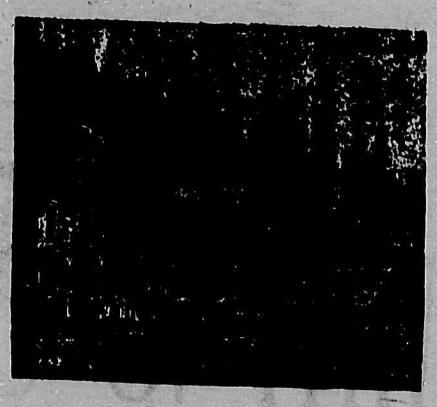

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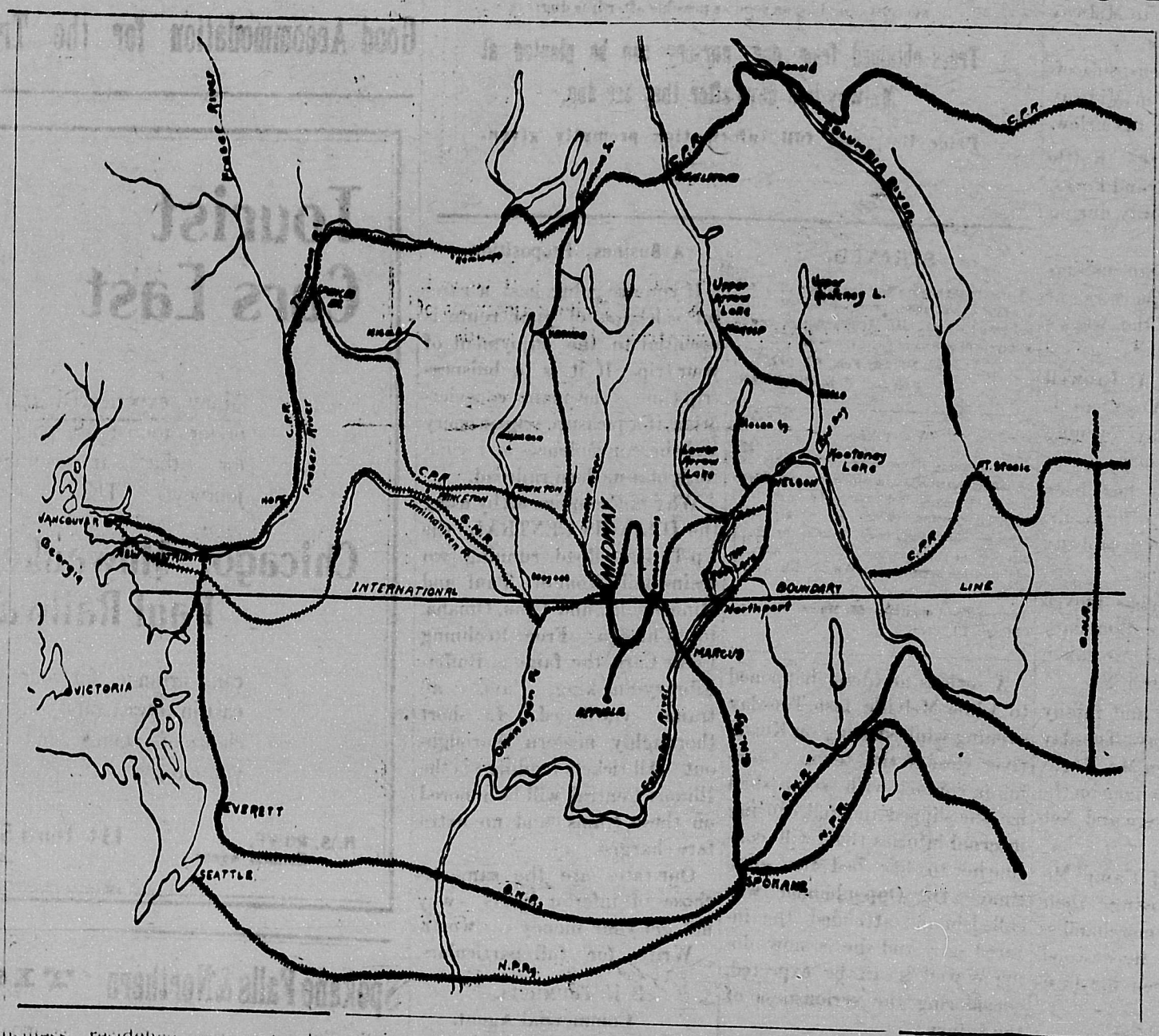

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MINERAL ACT.

Certificate of Improvements

NOTICE

JUNIPER MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Osoyoos Mining Division of Yale District. Where located: At Keremeos.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Charles de Blois Green, Free Miner's Certificate No. B61934 for myself and as agent for Edward Bullock-Webster Free Miner's Certificate No. B61064, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 21st day of January, 1904.

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MINERAL ACT.

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NOTICE.

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And further take notice that actions, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificates of Improvements.

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