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OUR MAIL SERVICE

Postoffice Inspector Dorman Pays Ferguson an Official Visit.

AN IMPROVEMENT IS MADE

The Mail Will Come Through To Ferguson on Mondays Direct From Arrowhead.—Other Days Too When the Roads Are Good.

Postoffice Inspector Dorman was in town yesterday for the purpose of looking into Lardeau's mail service. While admitting that all the EAGLE said last issue was true Mr. Dorman assured us that it was due to no fault of his. The real fact of the matter is, the government will not pay any more for the mail carrying contract, and any further demands than already made would have a tendency to induce the government to cut the service down to twice a week. So that by going on strike for more pay we would get the worst of it.

The government, apparently, in their anxiety to reduce the postal department deficit, are practising false economony. They do not seem to realize, or want to at any rate, that the conditions existing here are quite different to those in Ontario.

However, Mr. Galliher pledged himself, by letter, before his election to do his utmost to have the Lardeau mail service improved, and it is now up to him to act when the house meets on February 6th. Mr. Dorman has arranged at any rate, to have the mail come through directly to Ferguson, via Trout Lake, whenever the roads are good, and also regularly every Monday evening, leaving here Tuesday evening. The EAGLE will now be printed on Tuesdays and arrive in Revelstoke [illegible] much better arrangement than heretofore.

Mr. Dorman must be commended for his prompt attention to this matter. And it is a pleasure to note the accomplishment of his official visit. If the government would give us what Mr. Dorman knows to be necessary for the faithful performance of the Lardeau's mail service there would be no further difficulty.

WATERWORKS FOR FERGUSON

A $10,000 System Likely to be Installed By Spring.

Five business men of Ferguson have practically decided to unite and secure a waterworks plant for this city. But first of all to make sure of our natural and valuable franchise—water rights. These five men will put up the preliminary expenses, form a company, float bonds and install a $10,000 plant. There is sufficient patronage in sight right now to pay 7 per cent. interest on the bonds. The trustees will insert a clause in their incorporation act, agreeing to turn over the system to the town, when incorporated, at cost of installation and an advance of 25 per cent. This will protect the town against a private company making off with everything in sight; and be a good deal for both the five business men and the town. Another meeting will be held within a few days to take definite action along these lines, and the chances are that by spring Ferguson will enjoy one of the best waterworks systems in this province.

JANES—FILION.

A Lardeau Young Couple Married At Rossland.

M. F. Janes, for some two years ore sorter at the Silver Cup mine, formerly of Colorado, and Miss M. Filion, of Montreal, who spent the last summer in Ferguson, were made one at Rossland on Wednesday last, the 12th. The ceremony took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hay, Le Roi Ave. The happy couple will reside in Sandon this winter, and return to Ferguson in the spring. The EAGLE joins their many friends here in wishing them a long, happy and prosperous wedded life,

RAILWAY IS ASSURED

The Mountain Lion Group is Paid for.

The Week's Record of Mining Intelligence

The record in sales of mining property is generally looked for in the summer season; but it appears as though only now we are receiving the benefit derived from visiting investors during the past season. They come here and look around, choose their properties, obtain options and then away to the money markets of the world to tell of our latent mineral wealth, only awaiting development to well repay the men who back their faith up with their or someone else's money. With this successfully accomplished follows the incorporation of a mining company; treasury shares are sold and a "treasury" is opened. Then comes the fulfilment of the option or bond, by which, as a rule, one or more local pioneers receive a financial lift; not always put on velvet, but generally enough to square up all round and something to make a fresh start upon. This inspires new confidence in the recipient and creates a feeling of determination on the part of the buyers to send some more money after the purchase price, in the way of development. Usually if a careful investment has been made, good management prevails, and practical mining men have charge of the work, the buyers are handsomely rewarded for their efforts in the ownership of a dividend-payer. It is quite true that there are many untold difficulties to surmount in such an undertaking, but if people never venture they will never win.

Nearly every week the EAGLE has announced the final closure of some mining deal in the Lardeau, and this week is no exception, for only a few days ago M. C. Miller of Minneapolis, representing capital of the same city, paid over to Joseph C. Kirkpatrick of Ferguson, and J. M. Miller of Rossland, the snug purchase price, in cash and stock, of the Mountain Lion, or Black Scott group.

This group, consisting of three claims, the Black Scott No. 1 and 2, and the Mountain Lion, is situated on the southeast side of McDonald creek, joining the well-known Black Warrior group and also the Old Gold group, upon which there was so much work done this season. In fact the Mountain Lion group lies practically in between these two promising groups. The EAGLE is informed that both the Black Warrior and Old Gold leads run paralleling each other through this group. What prospecting work there has been done also bears out this conclusion, says our informant. Ore samples taken from the Old Gold ledge, on the Mountain Lion group, galena and grey copper, were given S. Shannon, B. A., for assay with the following results: $3.33 in gold, $371.70 in silver and $57.55 in lead, or a total value of $432.58 to the ton. From the other ledge, the Black Warrior, galina samples picked at random along it, assayed $31.50 in silver and $48.45 in lead or $79.95 in all values to the ton. With the organization of a company which will push development work next season, and the revelation of an ore body of even less values than the above, another shipper will be added to the list. It takes time and money to develop a mining property, especially when transportation is lacking, but with the certain assurance we have of the latter for next season the outlook is considerably brightened.

Once this district reaches a stage where from $50 to $100 ore, in any location, can be treated at a profit, there will be no greater mineral producing region in Canada.

GREAT MINDS, ETC.

The New York Herald says: "The name of the yacht to defend the America's cup has been given much thought by W. Butler Duncan, jr., the vessel's manager. Mr. Duncan has come to the conclusion the Eagle would be an appropriate name. He has not yet fully reached a decision in the matter, but Eagle has a national ring about it and is not devoid of meaning." The "Eagle" will win.

THE LARDEAU RAILWAY.

Superintendent Marpole Says it Will be Built in the Spring.

It has been fully determined by the Canadian Pacific railway to extend a branch railway line into the Lardeau country early during the coming year. Mr. Marpole, while in Rosstand a few ago, stated positively that the road would be built.

AMERICAN AND GOAT OPTION.

A Company Backed By Rothchilds Have Them Tied Up At $20,000.

The four Abrahamson brothers of Trout Lake and Revelstoke and Thos. Taylor, M. L. A., owners of the Goat and American mineral claims, located at the head of Haskins creek, have given an option to a representative of a company which the EAGLE is informed is backed by the millionaire Rothchilds. The figure is $20,000, the first payment of $3,000 being due on Aug. 1st, the second, $3,000, two months later, and the balance $14,000 about the close of the 1901 season. The EAGLE can say nothing new of the American. It is already recognized in this camp as one of our coming mines, the only difficulty, as usual, being the transportation problem. The owners have demonstrated beyond doubt the presence of an ore body of medium grade values.

Never before in the history of this camp have such prominent capitalists become interested in here. A great deal will depend upon the present options now given. If the Cromwell, Mountain View and Blue Jay, American and Goat, and others which it might injure interested parties to enumerate at present, fulfil expectations, then the immediate future of the Lardeau district is assured. With millionaires in the field no project will be too large for them to grasp and realize upon. It really does seem singular to see Lardeau's new era dawning, after waiting, full of confidence, so many years. But there is a time for everything and the time for this district to advance in leaps and bounds is now due and will surely materialize. Everything points to this conclusion.

W. F. Tye, chief construction engineer for the C. P. R., left for the east this morning, says the Nelson Tribune, after spending a week on this division. During his visit Mr. Tye was in close consultation with the local magnates of the road and the general impression is that the building programme for 1901 was under consideration., particularly as John G. Sullivan, chief engineer of the province, and A. F. Proctor, assistant engineer, were constantly with Mr. Tye. It has been intimated that the recommencement of work on the Lardeau road and certain work on the main line at Field, together with the taking over of the Balfour extension were among the leading items discussed and it would surprise no one to learn that other lines, possibly one to tap the St. Mary's country were also considered.

The surveying party which went into the Lardeau a couple of months ago to continue the road west to Arrowhead from Trout lake (and up to Ferguson) has finished its survey and the engineers in charge were closeted here for a time with Mr. Tye. While no definite announcement has been made regarding the Lardeau road, indications are not wanting that the road is to be completed. Some light will probably be cast on the matter a few weeks hence when it will be seen whether or not the company starts work on the wharf at the Kootenay lake terminal. This undertaking will naturally be carried out at low water and its commencement will be regarded as evidence prima facie of the company's intention to start work in the spring.

THE SILVER CUP SITUATION.

Supt. McNeil Away And No More Ore Shipments This Winter.

Supt. D. G. McNeil of the Silver Cup mine, who has for so long been indentified with this portion of the province, came down on Monday on his way to Cripple Creek, Colorado, his home. Mr. McNeil has disposed of his personal interests in mining properties here and may not return to the Lardeau. The Silver Cup shipment of $150 ore is now well on the way to the Landing and no more will, the EAGLE is sorry to say, be shipped this winter, nor in fact until the railway reaches here. Only two men remain at work at the mine, they having a contract which will last them all winter. Mr. McNeil expects to be in new York by February 1st, where he will spend a few weeks in the enjoyment of "civilization," after a long, arduous and successful spell of mining experience in this camp. Mr. McNeil is taking with him some 300 lbs. of Lardeau ore samples, the best in the land, which he will place on exhibition in Salt Lake City, Cripple Creek, Boston and New York City, so that this district's resources will receive considerable advertising by Mr. McNeil's trip to outside points. The chances are a big strong mining company to operate in this camp, under Mr. McNeil's management will be the final result. And the EAGLE only hopes its surmise is well founded.

Application will be made to the British Columbia legislature to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing a railway from Grand Forks to Lower Arrow lake, via the valleys of the north forks of the Kettle river to the east fork of the same and Summit and Nagel creeks, a distance of about sixty miles. The projected railway is designed to tap Franklin and Gloucester camps, where large bodies of low and high grade ore are being opened up. The applicants are Messrs. R. A. Dickson, George Fraser, E. Spragett, R. R. Gilpin, A. W. Fraser, Fred Woolaston and J. A. Coryell.

LARDEAU TO BOOM

So Says A Nelson Wholesaler Who Visited Here Recently.

TRANSPORTATION A CERTAINTY

A Large Number of Propositions Available in This Favorable District, and the Capital is in Sight for the Purpose of Taking Hold.

An impression is gaining ground that the approaching year will be the red letter period in the history of the Lardeau country. Corroborative evidence along this line is given to the Tribune by a prominent wholesale merchant of Nelson, who has just returned from a business trip through the country.

"The next boom in the Kootenays," he says. "will be in the Lardeau. Now that the construction of the railway is assured there is nothing to prevent the section prospering as it should in proportion to its possibilities from a mining standpoint. The showings on properties in the Ferguson and Trout Lake districts which I have seen are simply wonderful and beyond the imagination of those who have not been actually on the ground. Of course the shipments from the various properties speak volumes for the richness of the mineral deposits, but this gives no idea of the number of propositions available for developmet. The Triune group is shipping 120 tons of ore which past experience justifies them in believing will net $30,000. The Nettie L. has a body of grey copper three feet in width and 285 feet in length which samples throughout over $200 to the ton. But it is only these unusually high grade properties which can ship at a profit under existing circumstances, when transportation and other charges run away with so much money that any ore which will not run over $100 cannot be handled to advantage. Heretofore $50 ore has not been pay ore, but the advent of the railroad, which is now a certainty for next year, will revolutionize this condition of affairs and render available scores of properties which are not in the bonanza class, but which will pay handsomely when the conditions as to transportation are ameliorated. The assurance given by the railway people that construction will be recommenced in the spring has had its effect, and already mining men are going into the Lardeau to pick up good things and be on the ground floor when business begins to boom. Among the well known properties in the district are the Nettie L., Silver Cup, Cromwell and American group. The Nettie L. will be a great mine eventually. The Silver Cup is being developed steadily, but it is not shipping largely, the output being regulated to meet a portion of the outlay on development. The owners are awaiting railroad facilities, when the property will become a big producer. Larde brothers, who own the Cromwell, have made trial shipments from which the returns have been astonishingly large. It is a gold proposition and promises to be a record breaker. The American group is located on the same vein as the Nettie L. and Silver Cup, but the formation is unusual. The vein comes to an apex on the hogback hill where 18 inches of clean galena is exposed. With depth the vein widens and promises to become a wonder. The list of valuable propositions is as long as your arm and more will be heard of them before this time next year. The towns of Ferguson and Trout Lake are sure to enjoy the prosperity which seems to be in store for the district. I LOOK TO SEE FERGUSON BECOME THE ROSSLAND OF THE LARDEAU, while Trout Lake will be a good residential town. The success of this district means much for the Nelson wholesale merchants who will have a liberal share of any business transacted.

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INCORPORATION

With the private corporations grasping for everything in sight in the Lardeau, water rights, etc., might it not be just worth our while, in Ferguson, to prepare for the incorporation of this town, and make it our first duty as a city to secure these valuable franchises, before they are all gone.

In view of the fact that a Minneapolis company is, right now, figuring on installing an electric plant to supply power and light for Ferguson and its near-by mines, utilizing the magnificent natural water power we possess on Lardeau creek, just below the townsite, would it not be wise to look into the proposition ourselves. If it is lucrative enough for a private corporation to go after it is good enough collateral for this town to borrow money on to carry out the same idea. No up-to-date town of today would think of pursuing any other course than municipal ownership of these utilities.

The location of Ferguson on a large flat bench, on the north side of Lardeau creek, just at the confluence of the north and south forks of the same creek, renders this an easy place to secure a splendid sewerage system; and this, combined with the fact that a natural waterworks supply is available on Great Northern hill, so near at hand, is all the more reason we, as a town, should take the initiatory movement and thus secure our inalienable rights as a town.

While it may appear rather premature to talk incorporation, the EAGLE contends that it is not too soon. No one can deny but that the first town in the Lardeau which organizes, pushes ahead, incorporates, acquires nature's heritage, and has some head to it when any public action is necessary, will be the Rossland-Nelson of the Lardeau.

There is no need of the EAGLE quoting why we should make a move along these lines. It must be apparent to everybody interested in the town. We expect the railway next season, we could help it along by concerted action; we need a waterworks and sewerage system, we need fire protection, we need a daily mail service, we need local improvements, such as sidewalks; and the only way we can get what we want is to join hands and go after it.

If we have the courage of our convictions we should take some action as to incorporation at once, for by the time Mr. Taylor gets a special act from the provincial legislature, to allow us to do so, there will be enough importance attached to the "coming town" to warrant the action.

Next season is to be the beginning of Lardeau's bright future and also of Ferguson's. Why not let us get into a definate position to push it along. A live progressive and pushing spirit predominent in the united citizens of Ferguson would be far reaching in its effect upon the outsider so soon to cast his lot among us.

Life, in the individual, is what we make it. It also applies to towns. Will Ferguson, as a town, make up its mind to hold the lead it now enjoys? It's all very well to have natural advantages, but it behooves us as citizens to make the best use of them.

A meeting of the taxpayers should be the first move; a committee could then be appointed to size up the ways and means of securing, first of all, the natural franchises so likely to be swallowed up at any time by a private corporation; then apply through our member, Thos. Taylor, for a special act to allow us to incorporate. By the time this is accomplished the actual time for incorporation will have arrived.

Think this proposition over carefully Mr. Taxpayer, and let us compare notes.

FROM THE SANCTUM.

The EAGLE wishes its readers, one and all, a merry, merry Christmas. May you long live to eat turkey and remain paid-up readers of this great moral weekly.

Lardeau's long looked for railway will soon be a howling reality. But it may be that the following has some bearing upon the subject: "David McNicholl and Thomas Tait, of Monreal and Harry Abbott and George McL. Brown, of Vancouver, will apply at the next session of parliament for an act incorporating a company under the name of "The Kootenay and Arrowhead company," with power to construct or operate a railway from a point near Arrowhead, thence by the most direct route, via Trout lake, to the northern end of Kootenay lake."

Mining is the noblest of industries. From it all cruelties of competition should be eliminated. The miner delves into the earth and brings forth something which adds to the comfort, happiness and wealth of the world. He is a producer and the world stands ready to buy his product. Gold mining is the only industry of any magnitude that is not directly under the domination of trusts and monopolies. It defies the manipulations of politicians and is one industry to-day which offers a fair return for money invested and labor expended.—Mining and Scientific Press.

A live newspaper is an important factor in the upbuilding of any town or district, especially in a mining camp. The Cranbrook Herald, speaking of the work done by country newspapers, says: "They stand week in and week out, always ready to assist and help, in business, in personal ambition, and in promoting the welfare of the community. They may receive their reward. As a rule, they do. Yet, there are always a few individuals who have nothing for a paper but criticism. The columns of any newspaper shows the progress of the town, but never any backward movement. It preaches hope and prosperity and always has an abiding faith in the people and the community."

The London (Ont.) News, Toronto Mail and Empire, Toronto World, Winnipeg Free Press, Calgary Herald, Revelstoke Herald, Vancouver News-Advertiser, Vancouver Province, Seattle P.-I., B. C. Mining Record (Victoria), Nelson Tribune, Nelson Miner, Spokesman-Review, Rossland Miner, and Cranbrook Herald constitute a partial list of the newspapers which quote the EAGLE'S mining (and screamlet) news almost every week. What the EAGLE lacks in voluminous circulation and size, it trys to make up for in live and reliable mining news, so that its reproduction in other newspapers gives it a world-wide circulation. The EAGLE itself enjoys a larger paid-up mailing list than any other two of North Kootenay's newspapers.

Ere another week has rolled around Christmas day will have come and gone and possibly today's edition will be as far as Arrowhead before the close of the nineteenth century. The EAGLE might dwell at some length in a prospective and retrospective history of this camp, but we'll leave this as a winter's job. One thing is certain, we are one year nearer the gra—getting the railway, and it is almost certain that the first Christmas in the new century will see the iron horse climbing and desending the hills of the Lardeau, laden with the precious mineral taken therefrom. Great as the changes have been during the past year they will in no wise compare with what is in store for us during the next twelve months. Ferguson will be an incorporated city, with all modern conveniences, dozens of mines will be shipping ore, hundreds of industries will be established in the camp and so many things will be new in the coming arena of this district that we will scarcely realize that the conditions which actually exist here today were possible. But enough; make up your mind to enjoy yourself throughout the festive season. You may be stone broke, on easy street or planted a year hence.

SCREAMLETS.

We cannot smash the trusts, and it would be a very bad thing if we could. We can socialize the trusts, and it will be a very good thing when we do.—The People.

There were over a million votes for the socialist, populist and prohibitionist presidential candidates. Had Bryan received all the votes polled against McKinley, he would have been elected.

Divorces are increasing in Canada at an alarming rate. There was a time in Canada's history when a divorce was an expensive rarity; but it appears as though we were drifting into Uncle Samuel's way of doing things.

The Scientific American says that "it is estimated that no less than 10,000 tramps are carried nightly on trains, and that 10,000 more are waiting to steal a ride at the same time." What made all these men tramps?—Regina Standard.

It would seem as if in this age of universal newspaper reading there would be little chance for travelling swindlers with the most gauzy of schemes to make a living, but daily reports of the successful operation of time-worn devices for robbing mankind indicate that the supply of suckers keeps well up with the demand.—Minneapolis Tribune.

Alex. McRae, late provincial constable and a defeated candidate for representative of this riding, has been enjoying a lot of cheap notoriety lately sending his congratulations to successful candidates, and as head-push and general freight agent for the Liberal party at Revelstoke. Just let us know what kind of a job you want "Sandy" and we'll see what we can do for you.

AN UP-TO-DATE COMPREHENSIVE AND RELIABLE

Map of the Lardeau

Showing the position of the streams, mountains and passes, waterways, every claim in the Trout lake mining district, the trails and wagon roads, location of surveyed railways, and everything which will assist an outsider to acquaint himself with our district. The production of this map has been taken hold of by two of the best fitted men for the purpose in the province, Messrs. A. P. Cummins, P.L.S., and S. Shannon, B. A., both having personal and practical knowledge of the district.

The map is to be beatifully lithographed in five colors and entirely free from advertising matter of any kind.

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The Lardeau district is on the eve of a new era, brought about by the wonderful developments, finds and strikes made this season; along with the fact that the construction of a railway by the C. P. R. is absolutely certain for early next season.

The large ore shipments being made this winter in spite of the fact that transportation and treatment costs approximately $37 per ton, indicates the high grade nature of our ores.

With cheap transportation next season, when Lardeau's acres of low and medium grade ore can be treated profitably, the possibilities are astounding.

The attention of outside investors has already been arrested and hundreds are now making arrangements to operate in this district after the early spring—in fact some of them are here now, securing bonds, looking for and finding ground-floor propositions.

No district in Canada today offers better inducements for the investor than this one. The mining business is no monopoly. The poor man has even chances, at least more so than in other lines. When he finds a Triune he doesn't have to sell. What other occupation in life can a man follow where his chances with a wealthy competitor are less diminished than in prospecting and mining?

"There is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune." It may not be your lot to make a fortune, but if ever there was an opportunity in a mining camp, the Lardeau offers it today. Don't wait until the railway comes; for then the prospector is not in the same need of money, to enable him to hang on.

If you have money to invest now is the time to investigate. Come straight to Ferguson; you will find men here who have properties to sell; in fact Ferguson is the home, the meeting place for prospectors and investors. The owners, as a rule, will be found most reasonable and always ready to give you information, cheerfully escort you to their properties, and otherwise interest you in their interests. We have the mineral resources and no money to develop them. Will you come in and help us and thus help yourself?

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THE CALCUTTA CLAIM.

Promising Prospect at The Head of Brown Creek.

The Calcutta is one of many promising prospects that we have in our mining camp. It is situated at the head of Brown creek, about nine miles from Ferguson. Its owners are M. W. Sullivan, who is interested in Cromwell No. 2, and J. H. Graham, Rossland, and I. O. Piper, Trout Lake. Altho the claim was only located in August of this year considerable prospecting work has been done. The lead, which shows up well, has been stripped for about 180 feet; and discloses a promising gold, silver lead property. Two shafts have deen commenced at each end of the surface work. One had been sunk five feet and the other seven feet when snow compelled discontinuance of work. The one assay obtained showed $14.00 of gold, 35 per cent of lead and 41 ozs. in silver.

METEORS DROP AND EXPLODE

A Ripple of Anxiety Caused in Ferguson on Friday Night.

The meteoric display, lately discussed in the provincial press, must have taken place on Friday evening last. About 10 o'clock at night the pitch darkness prevailing was suddenly lighted up, as if by lightning, for almost a minute, instantly followed by two terrible explosions, near Ferguson, which shook the town and awakened those not playing black-jack from a peaceful slumber. Eye witnesses say the scene was amazingly beautiful; but had a slight tendency to drive ones nerve to his boots. The discovery of the spot stricken by the fallen meteors will be looked forward to with interest.

A SNAP IN REAL ESTATE.

Lots 3 and 4, in block 10, Ferguson townsite, will be sold cheap for cash, if taken before Jan. 1st. Apply or write at once to R. P. Pettipiece, Ferguson, B. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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To Lardeau Patrons

The CIGAR and STATIONERY business which I have been conducting in Revelstoke opposite the station, has been sold to J. W. BENNETT. Thanking you all for your past patronage and soliciting a continuance for my successor, I remain, yours,

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ON THE WING ITEMS

The Cup's 200-ton ore shipment will be at the smelter before Christmas.

A coward is a man who will make a personal attack in a newspaper upon another person, under a fictitious name.

The Calgary Daily Herald has been enlarged to an 8-page 6-column sheet, a decided improvement on the old 4-page 8 column style.

Hugh Ross a pioneer of this district, and who owned a one-tenth interest in the Metropolitan group recently sold, left for coast points last week, to spend the winter.

Mrs. S. O'Connor, proprietor of the Windsor hotel, left for Medicine Hat yesterday. She will visit eastern points and return to Ferguson in the course of two months.

The full returns of the election are as follows: Galliher, 3,115; Foley, 2,658; McKane, 2,595. Galliher's majority over Foley is 457, and over McKane 520, while Foley has 63 votes more than McKane.

David McNicholl, Thomas Tait, Montreal, and George McL. Brown of Vancouver, are asking the incorporation of the Kootenay and Arrowhead railway company to run from Arrowhead, B. C., via Trout lake or Duncan river to the north end of Kootenay lake.

The approaches to the bridge which the Canandian Pacific Railway is building across the Columbia river near Robson, are completed, and material for the abutments are now being taken in. The work of constructing the bridge will occupy several months.

The Canadian Pacific railway company intends doubling up its Imperial Limited service. The running time of the Imperial Limited from Vancouver to Montreal, a distance of 3,000 miles will be scaled down from 90 hours to 88 hours or less. This train will be confined to first class traffic. The second class and immigrant business will be confined to a second train.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, one of the most widely read daily papers in the west, reproduces nearly all the EAGLE'S mining news every week. The EAGLE gives the Lardeau mining news, and the P.-I. helps us to circulate it. The P.-I. also gives due credit for same; a pointer for some of the B. C. newspapers who make a cold steal.

A correspondent asks why 1900 is not a leap year. When the Gregorian calendar was adopted, the rule was made that every fourth year should be a leap year, except years ending in two zeros or centurial years. Centurial years are not leap years unless they are divisable by 400. The year 1900, is therefore not a leap year, but 2000 will be.

In connection with the Christmas and New Year's holidays the Canadian Pacific railway will put into effect the usual local holiday rates of single fare for the round trip. Passengers can purchase tickets on the following dates: December 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, good to return January 3rd, and on December 29th, 30th, 31st and January 1st, good to return on January 3rd.

After months of litigation the Balmoral hotel of this city has been restored to its original owner, Andy Cummins, who took possession last week. Mr. Cummins is re-furnishing the place from cellar to garet and is now ready to accomodate the public. The bar is being nicely arranged and some of the best "brands" are to found here. Mr. Cummins' reputation throughout the province as a first class chef is a sufficient guarantee that the cuisine service will be the best the market affords. With Arthur Peel as mixologist and a hustling proprietor so well known to the public as Andy Cummins, the EAGLE bespeaks success for the Balmoral hotel.

WHAT BECOMES OF SILVER.

The supply of white metal continues about as large as ever, notwithstanding its so-called demonetization, as for many years the yield from the mines of the world exceeded $200,000,000 measured by coining value. Yet there is no apparent surplus at this time: upon the contrary it seems to be appreciating in value, since the United States mint is now paying 56 cents per ounce, compared with 46 cents a few years since. Silver is still coined in large amounts with every indication that it will be coined in future in still greater amounts than has been the case for many years. In 1898 the United States coined it to the value of $23,000,000; Mexico $21,000,000; Russia, $22,000,000; Japan $7,000,000. Figures show that the coinage of silver of all countries during that year was $149,250,000.

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A Christmas tree entertainment will be given in Trout Lake on Christmas eve. On the 26th a masquerade ball will also take place in Hume's hall. The proposed entertainment and dance, here, in aid of an organ fund, has been dropped for the present, but will probably take place early in the new year.

Send the "Eagle" to your friends.

NOTICE.

The following applications have been received for liquor licenses in the Ferguson digtrict:
Ferguson Hotel, D. Ferguson, proprietor.
Balmoral Hotel, Cummings & McNab, props.
Windsor Hotel, Mrs. Sarah O'Connor, prop.
Park Hotel, Wm. Baty, proprietor.
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R. A. UPPER,
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NOTICE TO CO-OWNERS

To LILLIAN HOAR, J. W. M. HOAR, R. S. WILSON and O. D. HOAR:

Take notice that we the undersigned Co-owners with you of the Jumbo, Florence, Union Jack, Canadian Boy, Independant and Parrsboro mineral claims, situated on the south fork of the Lardeau creek in the Trout Lake Mining Division of West Kootenay in the Province of British Columbia, have performed and recorded the assessment work and made the expenditure required to be done and recorded on the above mentioned claims for the year 1899 as well as the years 1898, 1897 and 1896 under section 24 of the Mineral Act and the years for which such work was performed and expenditure made having expired we do hereby give you notice pursuant to Section 4 of the Mineral Act Amendment Act 1900, to contribute your proportion of such expenditure for the years hereinbefore mentioned within 90 days of the first publication hereof.

Dated at Trout Lake this 29th day of September A. D. 1900.

H. M. CARTER,
J. C. KIRKPATRICK.
31-45 L. THOMPSON, Co-Owners.

NOTICE TO CO-OWNER.

To C. C. BENNETT:

Take notice that I the undersigned Co-owner with you of the "Brer Fox" mineral claim situated on the northwest side of Haskins creek and about three miles from its mouth and being a south-easterly extension of the Fayal mineral claim in the Trout Lake Mining Division, of west Kootenay, in the province of British Columbia, have performed and recorded the assessment work and made the expenditure required to be done and recorded on the above mentioned claim for the year 1899 under section 24 of the Mineral act and the year for which such work was performed and expenditure made having expired I do hereby give you notice pursuant to section 4 of the Mineral Act Amendment Act 1900, to contribute your proportion of such expenditure for the year hereinbefore mentioned within 90 days of the first publication hereof.

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