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## STOCK GAMBLING THE RUINATION

### Fake Companies and the Stock Plunderers Killing the Industry

### Jobbery, Bad Management and Inexperience is Rife

J. D. Kendall in the B. C. Review says: Let us now glance at a few of the methods of unprincipled promoters and trustees, or directors, of what may properly be called "fake" stock companies. The first object of the dishonest promoter is to procure an invertebrate expert, or one who has an elastic conscience and a profound disregard for facts. It is important, therefore, that the public should see that the properties in which they are asked to invest are vouched for by men of good repute, morally as well as technically. How important the expert's report is to the promoter is partly indicated by the remarks of a London promoter to a B. C. option holder: "Have you any favorable expert report?" asked the promoter. "No," replied the man from British Columbia. "Then I am afraid," said the promoter, "I cannot do anything with your property. We never buy mines; we only buy reports, the mines are thrown in."

Having launched their company, the promoters perhaps retire. In their place come the trustees or directors. Their object—if they are among those to whom conscience is less than gain—is to boom their stock, regardless of the appearance or prospects of their property, and for that purpose they employ many artifices, some of which may here be mentioned.

Selected samples of the most valuable contents of a vein are submitted for assay and the results published broadcast, without the slightest indication that such results merely refer to an infinitesimal part of the vein, the balance of which may be utterly barren. Such assays are valueless, except to the swindler.

The exhibition in some conspicuous place of rare samples—especially those showing gold—is another favorite method of boomer. Most people who are interested in mining or in mining investments will be able to recall samples of this kind that they have seen in certain office windows, not many miles from Vancouver, and perhaps they have not forgotten the miserable fiasco—from a miner's point of view—that followed these glittering exhibitions. Beware of this kind of show. Men who have found, or otherwise come into possession of such good things don't want to part with them—least of all to the unknown multitude.

The suppression of unfavorable reports from the superintendent is another way of deceiving shareholders and the public. This breach of trust on the part of directors is now punishable by imprisonment. Had it been so earlier, many people in British Columbia and elsewhere would now have had what rightly belongs to them, but which, unfortunately, is in the hands of a few others, who, it is too much to suppose, will feel they ought to be in prison.

The proposal to erect, or the actual erection of mills and smelters, are also used as "springes to catch woodcocks." It is generally assumed when people propose to erect either or both of such works in connection with a mine, they must have something to justify the expenditure. Alas, there could be no greater mistake. Where was the justification at the Morning Glory, at the Golden Cache, at the Strathgry, at the Lark, at the Tindhorn and many other mines that might be mentioned in British Columbia. The erection of mills for which there is nothing to do is sometimes due to errors of judgment, but in other cases it is part of a

boom scheme contrived solely with the object of putting money into the pockets of designers—no matter from whom that money may be taken. When people talk about putting up mills and smelters, don't rush in and buy stock. Try first of all to find out from some disinterested source whether there is anything to mill or smelt, or whether the sporting directors are simply fishing for "suckers."

Other snares and traps might be pointed out to the uninitiated, but these will perhaps be sufficient for ordinary mortals. There are some men so foolish that all the warnings in the world will not prevent them committing acts of rashness. For such these lines were not written. Men of that stamp never profit by the experience of others. They must put their fingers into the fire before they will believe it burns. It is to be hoped they may never know of some of the stock fires that are now being lighted to enable them to experiment.

### BUT OUR "RULERS" WILL NOT HEED

The following largely signed petition has been presented at Victoria from South Wellington, Ymir, Slocan City and Phoenix. It voices the sentiments of the great majority of people in this province. It points out

That the proper development of any country is materially helped by efficient means of transportation and inter communication.

That the period in the history of this province has arrived when some steps should be taken to have the country opened up by railways, etc.

That the only efficient way by which to do this is for the government to undertake the construction and operation of such public utilities as a government undertaking, and operate the same for the benefit of the people.

That the system of voting the people's money to promoters to induce someone to build a public work for their own pecuniary gain is wrong in principle, pernicious in its effects, and detrimental to the best interests of the great mass of the people.

That at the late general election a majority of the members elected professed a belief in government ownership of railways.

And that therefore, your petitioners humbly pray (it should read demand) that your honorable body will take such steps as to make good pre-election pledges by inaugurating a system of government ownership of railways.

### PEOPLE SHOULD OWN THE TRUSTS

You have heard some "important" men declare that the "government cannot help the people." Did you ever think about this? Did you ever try to find out whether these very men were not themselves being "helped by government?"

Let us look at it and be honest.

Are not national bankers prosperous because they have government "help?"

Are not bond holders prosperous because they have government "help?"

Are not the trusts and syndicates prosperous because they have government "help?"

Are not the coal barons prosperous because they have government "help?"

Are not the owners of street railways and gas plants and electric light plants prosperous because they have government "help?"

Finally, is not many a lawyer, who would be otherwise impecunious, one who defends the whole brood of monopolists, prosperous, because he gets government "help?"

### ONLY A BEGINNER

The "pay car" struck town on Monday evening, and very soon after its arrival the merchants were busy receipting accounts, and the merry jingle of the cash register was to be heard in every direction. Later on in the night the tables of green were in full bloom. "I'm phat," "that's the baby," "hit 'er and take it," "how're you fixed?" "squeal if you're hurt," were the chimes in one place, while "ante up and look pleasant," "I'll pass dat mit," etc., predominated elsewhere. Money might be put to better use, but at any rate it readily shows where the pay roll centre of the Lardeau is located—"up the gulch"—the place where the mines are.

## WHY WE HAVE A PAY ROLL

### The Mines and the Mine-Owners' Interests Are Here

### The Railway Must Tap the Mines Before Shipping Commences

W. B. Pool, manager of the Nettie L. mine, arrived in town on Monday evening, and inside of one hour paid out in town the tidy sum of \$11,000 to employees and merchants. Besides this amount \$9,000 was paid out by the company two weeks ago on the same account. Nearly \$5,000 has been paid to Craig & Hillman for the transportation of ore from the mine to the Landing, much of which is left in Ferguson. Freight and treatment, and the ore tax, cost the company \$27 a ton from the Landing, as against \$22 last year. Increased smelter charges and the low price of silver had its effect with a vengeance.

The above is only an instance of where Ferguson is indeed the pay roll centre. But think of the difference when from 200 to 400 men are employed in this one mine alone, aside from double or treble that many on adjacent properties.

Mr. Pool purposes going ahead with development work upon both the Nettie L. and Maybe, and the extensive program will mean the expenditure of at least \$30,000 or \$40,000 almost within the town limits. The two companies, the Great Western and Double Eagle, will erect their offices next month on their lots, between S. Shannon's assay office and the present school house.

While "Billy" (that's what it used to be, and it sounds and fits all right still) is not any too enthusiastic as to the conditions actually prevalent in this province in the mining sphere, still with his old-time keep-a-stiff-upper-lip tenacity he goes right ahead endeavoring to put things right, a much wiser course than is assumed by many sulky mine managers in the lower country camps. He says too that the railway to the foot of the lake will not allow his companies to ship ore except in the winter, as has always been the case. They have no wagon road to the mine, and any way they do not care to ship ore under conditions by which they lose \$10 to \$12 a ton of their profits. They will go ahead and block out thousands of tons of ore, as they have the money now, and then ask the railway people to give them closer connections, which must be done before the ore output can be expected to be much. "Why, what's the use of them stopping a few miles from the mines?" said Mr. Pool most emphatically. "We've got to have the same railway facilities as the Moyie, Slocan and Rossland camps before we can be expected to make large daily shipments."

Mr. Pool was shown the item in the Nelson Miner, published elsewhere, to which he replied: "Well, I'd like to know how you pass through the Lardeau without passing through Ferguson. Do you suppose for one minute that I'm not going to further my own interests, and the interests of my associates, by doing all in my power to build up the natural centre of this camp. Have I not always told you, as far back as '96, that Ferguson would be the coming town, and my convictions are backed up by my money. Don't you ever be alarmed, 'Bub'; the towns backed up by a solid pay roll will be in business after the railway reaches Arrowhead in one direction, and the mines in this direction. Construction work should—and God knows they need it—make a bubble along its course for a few months, but some of these towns now claiming to be terminal points for the railway will be

lucky if they are flag stations a year hence."

On Tuesday morning Mr. Pool went up to the mine, and upon his return to Revelstoke (from where the offices will soon be moved to Ferguson), foreman Crilly will be given instructions to take on more men and commence the summer's programme on both the Nettie L. and Maybe.

### WORDS OF SOLEMN TRUTH

J. A. Smith of Grand Forks, one of the leading mining men in the Boundary, recently returned from an eastern trip. In a published interview he gave utterance to the appended words, which have an application locally as much so as to his own district: "Another thing which I cannot dwell on with sufficient emphasis is the necessity for a community like this to properly keep themselves and their properties before the world. I mean by this to legitimately advertise themselves, to let the world know what they possess, but not to boom themselves unduly. In this age it is impossible to expect the world to turn its attention to us unless we let it know that we possess something that it wants. If we have great mining properties in this district, then we should let the world know it, and once capital is convinced with the truth of our claim, it will be anxious to come here and will pour in without our solicitation. For a community like this then to possess a good newspaper and to give that paper all the backing possible, a thoroughly generous support, is a matter of dollars and cents to themselves."

### THAT "BUSINESS" POLICY

This province was generally reckoned to be too much in debt for the available assets; yet another \$5,000,000 will be added to the indebtedness, some \$7,000,000. And this amount is to be absolutely given away to railways which the people will be forced to buy inside of five years.

The legislators at Victoria have raised their own sessional indemnities from \$600 to \$800. No wonder the mining industry, still its infancy, is heavily taxed, and a poll tax of \$5 is required.

### BEFORE AND AFTER

Plank four in the platform of Thos. Taylor, M. P. P., reads: "I am a firm believer in the principle of government ownership of railways." But, not a voice has he raised on the floor of the house towards the accomplishment of such a policy.

### IF NOT ELSEWHERE, IT'S HERE.

Speculation is rife as to whether so many marriages in the district mean good times or an entire collapse.

Sandy McRae is expected in town this week in connection with the taking of the census. The local enumerators have nearly completed their labors.

If you want your stationery to bear the typographical union label, the EAGLE is the only newspaper in North Kootenay which can supply it. Let the EAGLE print your printing.

Still another residential building for Ferguson. R. Foran is blasting out stumps and preparing his lot for the erection of a house at once. The lumber is now being laid on the ground.

John Parisian, who left for Spokane a couple of weeks ago, returned to Trout Lake on Monday with his bride, Miss Gertrude Hyde, well known in the camp. Mr. and Mrs. Parisian will take up their residence in Trout Lake.

The advance wavelets of the boom have struck Trout Lake, knocking out one frail building. Manfully it had withstood the winds of adversity, bent but not broken, only to be bowled over by the first breath of prosperity. The town has at last aroused itself and is now actively preparing for a glorious future. Several new outhouses have been built, a flagstaff has been erected, and paint has been freely applied to some of the principal buildings. Drinks may still be negotiated for at the rate of two for a quarter, with lake water thrown in.

## TRIUNE WILL BE A PRODUCER

### The Ferguson Brothers to Operate It This Season

### Being the Townsite Owners They Naturally Will Assist Ferguson

Arrangements are now in progress for the re-commencement of work on the famous Triune mine. The Ferguson brothers intend to work every man they can find room for and as soon as the first shipment reaches the smelter, an aerial tramway will be installed and preparations made for continuing work the year round. At present the ore has to be packed on horses down the hill and from there hauled to Thomson's Landing on freight wagons, making it an expensive proposition to handle, but as the 120 tons of ore shipped last fall gave values of over \$300 to the ton, \$20 a ton of which was gold, the owners can stand for it. A long base tunnel will be driven and a systematic course of development will be pursued. The Triune will make the Lardeau famous, and swell the pay roll this season.

## BEWARE OF THE SNOWSLIDE

### Peter Culkeen Narrowly Escapes a Sudden Death

Peter Culkeen, while working at the Dandy mineral claim, on the south fork of the south fork, came nearly meeting a terrible death on Sunday morning last. Though standing over two hundred yards from the course of a terrific snowslide which came down, the suction threw him off his feet and he was carried down the snow at least a mile, sustaining severe injuries, being bruised from head to foot. Joe Murray, who himself met with a bad accident while trapping last winter, and Wm. Evans were doing assessment work on a nearby claim and saw Mr. Culkeen go down the hill-side. They rushed to his assistance and took him to Ten Mile. Mr. Culkeen, under the direction of Dr. Wilson, hopes to be around again in a few days, as curiously enough no bones were broken.

### ANOTHER '94 SUBMERSION FEARED

The level of Kootenay lake, just over the mountain range from Trout Lake, is rising fast as the result of the heavy thaw during the past few days. All the creeks leading into the lake are "booming" and there is every indication of unusually high water before the end of the month if the warm weather continues. The water in the lake has risen three feet over normal low water mark and is now coming up at the rate of an inch every four hours. The conditions seem favorable for a repetition of the flood of '94. It would really be too bad if this occurred, for not only would the gardens at Trout Lake be again destroyed (such an ideal spot for a potato patch too) but that Topic "boom" would have to be conducted a la Noah's ark. Come up higher, brother, and avoid the flood.

### ABRAHAMSON-BURRELL

Noah Abrahamson, of Abrahamson Bros., the popular proprietors of the Queen's hotel at Trout Lake, and Miss M. Burrell were married in Revelstoke a few evenings ago, Miss Burrell having just returned from a trip east. The happy couple are expected home this evening, and the EAGLE heartily joins the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Abrahamson in well wishes.





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## THE PAY ROLL IS WHAT MAKES A TOWN

The Nelson Miner has gone out of its way to announce that the Nettie L. and Silver Cup owners will "no longer ship their ore by the wagon road through Ferguson, but that the ore will be taken direct to the lake and transferred there to car barges." Such silly rot is but on a par with the rest of this miserable sheet, owned and operated by any old faction which will pay the price. It is quite evident that the writer was never in the Lardeau district. It will make very little difference where the wagon roads are (though the present road between here and the lake is all we will ever have), after the railway reaches the mines; and is it not our ore that the railway people are after? As has been the case with Rossland and Sandon, the place where the mines are is the place where the towns are. Do Rossland or Sandon business men thrive because they have transportation alone? No! It is because they are backed up by a pay roll. And that is the reason Ferguson will be the business centre of the Lardeau. With 200 or 300 men employed on the Nettie L., as many more on the Great Northern hill, and hundreds here and there on the Nettie L. and Silver Cup-Triune hills, all with their headquarters in Ferguson, how can it fail to be an attractive spot for business men, who owe their existence to the size of a town's pay roll. A railway company leaves no money in a town, nor do mining companies' offices in many cases; it is the working men, receiving good wages, who constitute the backbone of any town or community. Let a Nelson Miner reporter step around to the wholesalers in his own town and see for himself where they do the most business in the Lardeau. It will become the Miner to knock Ferguson, a town which will do more to build up Nelson commercially than any other in North Kootenay. The owners of the Nettie L. and many other prominent properties in this district are locating their offices in Ferguson, and have large interests in the townsites itself. Does it not look reasonable to suppose that they will endeavor to build up their own town. In the case of the Nettie L., they buy every single dollar's worth of their supplies in Ferguson, and so do the employees, who come down here from the mine between shifts. It matters very little where or how the ore from our mines is turned into cash; it is the pay roll that builds up a town, and for this reason there is no danger of Ferguson getting the go-by. There are more goods turned over in Ferguson, and more cheques cashed in Ferguson, than in any or all the rest of the Lardeau towns combined. Pull liners in such ports as the Nelson Miner are dear at any price, but towns backed up by a pay roll cannot be sidetracked. The Rossland-Sandon of the Lar-

deau is good enough for us. The Nelson wholesalers would do well to give the Miner a friendly tip.

## WINGLETS.

Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, has given notice of a resolution to expend a sum not exceeding \$75,000 in any one year for defraying the cost of establishing a branch of the royal mint in Canada.

R. C. Woods of Toronto says: "British Columbia with its rivers teeming with fish, its hills and valleys covered with cedar and fir, its mountains big with mineral wealth, gold, silver, lead and copper, and its vast resources in oil, has a brighter future before it than any province in the confederation, or state upon the Pacific coast.

The distorted district map published in the Topic for the last two years, which has been an eyesore to the reading public, has been removed and replaced by real live advertisements. The EAGLE is pleased to note the general improvement in the Topic, and hopes that its fondest day-dream visions may become howling realities.

A cargo of 2,700 tons of lead concentrates from Kootenay was recently billed to Antwerp, the largest shipment of Canadian lead ever made. After reaching its destination it will be made into white lead, red lead, orange and litharge and the like, and then returned to Canada to be used in the manufacture of paint. The EAGLE fails to see where any one except the transportation companies will benefit by carting our lead all over the world for refinement. Why not have it done in Canada and thus add another important industry in connection with Canada's natural resources?

R. T. Lowery, who is now in London, Ont. (among the cents) writes: "It is a great pleasure to be home with a mother. I have only one mother, and she thinks I am an angel without wings. Since I have been here she has kept me under the influence of maple syrup, old-time tomato catsup, home-preserved pears and other luxuries until the visions of my boyhood days come thick and fast, and I would fain turn back the hand of time and be again ma's blue-eyed darling boy. Home is ever a sweet spot, no matter how far one may roam from it, and when its memory fades from the heart it leaves a want that cannot be filled by anything right handy."

The assurance that the C. P. R. will build into the Lardeau district this summer has had a remarkably stimulating effect on the outlook for the season. While the majority of Lardeau mining properties are silver-lead propositions, and hence affected by the slump in lead, the country will go ahead, not only because our ores carry enough gold to pay for treatment, but because the property owners interested are banking on the prospect of a turn in the market for the better before the railroad is completed and their properties on a shipping basis. Heretofore the Lardeau has labored under the burden of transportation charges such as would have deterred the development of any camp. It has been the rule that ore under \$60 would not net the shippers anything because of the heavy charges for getting the product to the reduction charges. As a result of this only a few of the richer propositions have shipped in any quantity. With the railroad the properties in the district can ship \$30 to \$35 ore and realize a profit. This means that a score of propositions now in the prospect

stage will be developed to a shipping basis as rapidly as possible. Already plans are being laid for work on a number of partially developed groups in view of which it is reasonable to predict a more or less marked boom for the Lardeau. Mining men are coming in nearly every day to be on the ground when the season opens up. At present the season is not begun, save in the case of properties lying on the lower levels. On the hills the snow is still deep and this may be expected to continue until June 1 or thereabouts.

The EAGLE is pleased to see the common sense view of how to deal with the liquor traffic taken by the delegates to the Methodist conference at Nelson. The meeting passed a resolution requesting the general conference to take into consideration the question of recommending the government control of the liquor traffic as a means of minimizing existing evils. Only another sign of the times.

Mining is today attracting more attention than any other industry if a person can judge by the general interest of the public. The large industrial combinations of Morgan and his associates are of direct interest to comparatively few, and for every one holding interests in any manufacturing concern fifty can be found who hold a large or small interest in some mining enterprise.—Northwest Mining News.

When practical mining men owned and operated the big mines in the lower country, the pioneer conditions then existing were as burdensome as the present ore tax, and yet they nearly all paid dividends. But now that these properties have passed into the hands of capitalists (in most cases unexperienced Englishmen) the difference is distressing to those dependent upon the industry. It is not so much the lack of capital as the lack of experienced mining men that this province is in dire need of. The mining laws are not wholly responsible for our present uncertain condition.

A worthy experiment which should be tried by citizens of the Lardeau would be to force the circulation of their local paper in the eastern money centres, and thus putting in the power of the publishers to issue an interesting paper filled with carefully prepared and truthful information concerning the mines. The circulation of the EAGLE has largely increased since the beginning of the year, but insufficient support and lack of money to pay the printer is handicapping us. Our lot is one, our interests are identical, as a community we must either retrograde or push ahead. Business men are being flooded with enquiries about the camp. And now is the time to strike. Help us to help yourself.

A part of the loaf is better than no loaf at all. If we can't get government ownership of railways at the present time we can rest satisfied with a control of the freight and passenger rates and a percentage of the gross earnings. It is a step in the right direction. As far as so-called railway competition is concerned it would be a mighty poor substitute for an absolute control of rates, and far from evolving into government ownership it would only serve to embarrass the movement. There is no use building two roads where one will do, for if it is done, the community will simply have one more railway to support, as capitalists usually invest their money with dividends in sight, and they are shrewd enough not to cut their own and their competitors' throats simply for the delectation of the public.—Topic. So say we.

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## SCREAMLETS

A man could learn a great many things if he didn't think he already knew them.

A great many mining companies would not know what to do with a mine if they had one.

More steel is used in the manufacture of pens than in all the sword and gun factories in the world.

With ore that increases in gold values as depth is attained, the Lardeau occupies an enviable position in the mining world.

If the present weather continues for a couple of weeks and then summer sets in earnest, the chances are the Trout Lake Topic office will be getting on "swimmingly."

Now squeal if you're hurt. The paper trust has gobbled up twenty-six more independent plants, which it had all but ruined by fierce competition, for one-sixth their value.

My idea of a representative is that he should be responsible to his constituents and not to his party—to be a useful member and to have a free hand.—G. F. Marter, M.L.A.

The newspaper or individual that still talks "competition" in the matter of railways, is so far behind the procession that they'll have to meet it when it comes round the block, and then drop into line.

The financial condition of Lardeauites who have wintered here is much like unto the farmer's sons in a backwoods settlement, who made a little money, in the barn, among themselves by playing blackjack.

Why not have mining stocks non-transferable until the company pays a dividend? Such an arrangement would stop a great deal of stock jobbery and make it impossible for the tricky promoters to unload to the injury of the treasury.

The idea of government ownership of public utilities is gaining in popularity year by year. The increasing power of trusts has caused people to ponder over the possibilities of the future if no action is taken for the protection of the masses.—Cranbrook Herald.

Care should always be taken not to discredit well meaning men who have been unfortunate, and especially in mining propositions. It is the man who has wrong intentions that is most to be feared. Few men will complain of loss when they have had a fair show for their investments.

The development of the mineral zones of the Rocky mountains and subsidiary ranges so far prosecuted is only suggestive of those vast riches yet to be mined. One hundred years will have passed before any substantial guess of the wealth to be taken from the Pacific coast country can be made.

If we noticed little pleasures  
As we notice little pains;  
If we quite forgot all our losses  
And remembered all our gains;  
If we looked for people's virtues  
And their faults refused to see,  
What a comfortable, happy,  
Cheerful place this world would be.

One of the latest means of raising money is to catch a man away from home; then wire his wife, assuming his name: "I'm in serious trouble, wire me \$500," or as much as it is thought the wife will stand for. We will whack up with the embezzler if he can do any business during our absence from the post of duty.

Every life is what we make it, and no life should be such that an excuse is necessary for its being. And it is an error in judgment for you to attempt to refute the evil that is said of you. Wrong recoils on the doer, and the man who makes wrong statements about another is himself to be pitied, not the man he vilifies. It is better to be lied about than to lie.—New Denver Ledger.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox says: "Socialism does not mean throwing infernal machines into the homes of millionaires or dividing all the riches of the world among the lazy, the dissolute, and the worthless. It means simply co-operation and combination of the people in all business enterprises, and the public ownership of railroads, banks, telegraphs, and telephones." Paste this in your hat.

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### NOTICE

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Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for George H. Bayne, Free Miner's Certificate No. 130931, and Cutler T. Porter, Free Miner's Certificate No. 134491, 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 25th day of April, A. D. 1901.

### NOTICE TO CO-OWNER

#### TO FRANK HARGIS:

Take notice that I, the undersigned co-owner with you of the Ukary mineral claim, situated at the headquarters of Lake creek and Haley 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 mineral claim for the year 1900, under section 24 of the Mineral Act, and the year for which work was done and expenditure made having expired, I hereby give you notice pursuant to section 4 of the Mineral Act Amendment Act, to contribute your proportion of such expenditure for the year 1900 within ninety days from the first publication hereof. Dated at Ferguson this 11th day of March, A. D. 1901.

JOHN W. CHISM.

Per Agent, Robt. Foran.

### NOTICE TO CO-OWNER.

#### TO NAPOLEON WELLS:

Take notice that we the undersigned co-owners with you of the Little Robert and Little Robert No. 2, mineral claims situated at the extreme head of the north fork of 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 1900, under section 24 of the Mineral Act and the year for which 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 year heretofore mentioned within 90 days of the first publication hereof. Dated at Trout Lake this 28th day of January, A. D. 1901.

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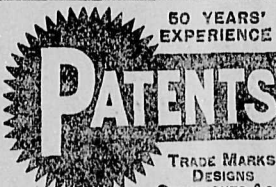
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While construction is going on, the many mining companies now operating in the camp are making ready to ship ore this season or as soon as possible.

These mine-owners need supplies, and those supplies are purchased in Ferguson. And why not? for Ferguson is the place where the mines are, the pay roll centre.

The building activity in Ferguson, and the rapidity with which lots are changing hands, shows very clearly which way the wind blows.

Towns may be moved, but mines cannot; that is one reason why an investor in Ferguson real estate is secured. All who have seen the Ferguson townsite aver that it is the natural centre of Lardeau's mines. Its neatly laid out appearance, its unique position at the base of the Great Northern, Nettie L. and Silver Cup-Triune hills, all tend to increase its certainty of becoming the Rossland-Sandon of the Lardeau.

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## On the Wing Items

Mrs. J. H. Currie arrived in Trout Lake Tuesday.

A second cigar factory is being established in Revelstoke.

James Anderson of the local saw mill left Tuesday on a short business trip to Revelstoke.

Andy Cummings of the Balmoral hotel left for Revelstoke on a short business trip, Sunday.

James J. Hill, the Great Northern magnate, will shortly become a director of the Canadian Pacific railway.

F.T. Abey and Mrs. Abey and family have returned to Trout Lake. Mr. Abey will re-open his drug store there.

Wm. Sawyer, of Revelstoke, is in town engaged in lathing the new residences of Vincent Lade and S. Shannon.

The scarlet fever quarantine at Trout Lake City will be lifted today. The patient, Nels Nelson, is now convalescent.

Miss Lennox, who has been an employee at the Hotel Ferguson for some months, leaves for her home in the east on Sunday next.

Alex. Gray will leave for a short trip to Kelowna, B. C., in a few days, previous to commencing assessment work on his claims in the camp.

Wm. Schmoeck, whose foot was severely hurt at the Trout Lake saw mill recently, is now able to move around with the aid of crutches.

If the Evening World of Rossland keeps up to the present standard it will prove a winner and a power for unionized labor in this province.

A certificate of incorporation of the Revelstoke Navigation company, limited, with a capitalization of \$25,000, appears in the B. C. Gazette of May 2nd.

A young man who had just been kicked down the front steps by the late father of his best girl, says he wasn't hurt much by the old gentleman's boot, but he adds, "I felt considerably put out at the time."

The Trout Lake Topic says: "As yet nothing has been done about boarding in the south pier of the bridge, and the creek is rising. If something is not done soon unnecessary chances will be taken." The townspeople certainly should be kept intact until that boom comes.

S. Dancy, with a four-horse team and freight wagon, left town this morning for the Landing. A few local men accompanied him to help break the snow at Half Way creek. The other freight teams are expected in tomorrow. The freight sheds at the Landing are full of goods billed to Ferguson.

The Nelson Miner says that one of the features to be introduced in the Trout Lake district, as a result of the railroad work, is that of navigation on Trout lake. Report has it that the C. P. R. will transfer the tug Proctor from Nelson to Trout lake, and that the craft will ply between the lower end of the lake and Trout Lake City.

John G. Sullivan, district C. P. R. engineer under the construction department, anticipates that the commencement of active construction on the Lardeau branch will not be delayed more than a few days longer. The location party is now on the ground laying out the work, and E. M. Young, chief of the party, will be in charge of the work.

Five new members were initiated into the Lardeau miners' union last Friday evening. The executive officers of the organization are busy preparing by-laws for local purposes, and as soon as the charter arrives from headquarters of the W. F. of M. everything will be in working order. The membership promises to go over the hundred mark within two months.

A movement is on foot in Nelson to start a prospectors' union. The prospectors claim that they should have some sort of a monopoly of the work, seeing that they pay an annual license. As to exploiting the hills in search of minerals, they enjoy all the latitude they seek, but they contend that when assessment work is to be done they are entitled to a first show. As the law at present stands, \$100 worth of work must be done as a year's assessment, and they state that inexperienced men out prices and swamp the work.—Tri-  
bune.

Chas. E. Reid of Kaslo has acquired lot 22 in block 5.

S. Shannon has purchased lots 1 and 2 in block 38, and is now having them cleared.

As the snow gradually leaves the valleys, claim owners are doing assessment work on nearby locations.

Thos. Russell and Harry Kemping left for the Cup mine yesterday. Fred Mummery is down, and intends to do some assessment work.

Just as we go to press it is learned that the wagons got through to Baty's all right, so that this evening the freight teams will put in an appearance.

Thos. Abriel, of Nakusp, has purchased lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, block 31 of this townsite. Actual sales and buildings going up are what counts. There is "going to be" a mill, and the road to hell is paved with good "intentions."

The s. s. Idler, with Capt. Johnson in charge, is making frequent trips on Trout lake. Sunday excursions to the foot of the lake are becoming a feature with pleasure seekers. The nominal figure of \$12 is charged for the use of the steamer for the round trip.

The latest scheme in Trout Lake to secure a cheap drunk is for the crowd to start out with an assortment of tin cans, etc., and make life miserable for each likely victim. If the children were to commit such silly actions their parents would spank them to a blister.

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