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COTTONWOOD.

Work on the Cottonwood is booming and has been all winter. Considerable progress has been made since the arrival of Mr. G. L. Betts, the manager.

A tunnel 220 feet in length has been completed and they are now working on a long tunnel which will be exactly 1570 feet with three shifts working night and day at each end. About 550 feet of the long tunnel has been completed. The size of the tunnel is as follows: 6 feet 3 inches wide in the bottom, 5 feet 6 inches wide at the top, and 5 feet 6 inches in height in the clear.

The sawmill is working night and day cutting lumber and have already got a little better than half the quantity cut, about 550,000 feet. The mill is cutting on an average 14,000 feet every twenty four hours.

About 150 feet of the long tunnel is on a sharp curve, necessitating very careful work. The curve was unavoidable, the bluff run through being horseshoe in shape. Considerable trouble was had at first but everything is turning out first rate. Besides the tunnel and lumber work a right-of-way of flume has been cut five feet wide for a distance of three and a half or four miles. All the necessary buildings at the claim have been put in ship shape and everything is as comfortable as possible. At present about 62 men are employed on the work, but as soon as spring opens up three times that many will be required. Mr. Betts is a practical man and will have his hands full all summer laying out and superintending the work, and five miles of flume entails a lot of work and careful supervision. It is expected that the laying of the flume will be let by contract.

To Whom It May Concern.

Found at Clear Water Lake about Nov. 12, 1896, the remains of an unknown trapper of the following description: black cloth cap, no bill, turn down style, black sack coat with a medium sized check and trimmed with black braid, vest to match coat, shirt blue flannel. Underclothes badly decayed and color unknown, black pants with raised stripe of same color, also blue overalls. Footwear consisted of two pair of white wool socks and a pair of dark colored leggings with red stripes. Probably wore moccasins but had none on when found. He carried a new model Marlin rifle. He had no cartridges except a 70,760 which had been tried. The gun laid several feet from him with an empty shell in it. In one of the pockets were a knife, belt pin, several nails and some matches. None of the skull bones were found and only the left arm, which was broken just above the wrist.

Clear Water Lake, Nov. 12, 1896.

A Handsome Turnout.

The Commercial hotel, Vancouver, has added to its equipment a handsome wagonette, which will accommodate ten persons inside and three on the driver's seat. The rig is splendidly finished and bears the name Commercial in bold gold letters on the side. The cushions are leather and it is fitted with roller curtains so that in case of bad weather it can be transformed into a closed carriage in a moment or two. The workmanship on it is first-class throughout. It may be said, too, that Manager Thomas did not send out of town for it, but had it built there by Duke & Wallace, who deserve commendation for the excellent work done on it. Besides being useful as a bus the turnout is admirably adapted for parties wishing to ride around the park, and the splendid springs with which it is fitted make it a decided comfort to ride in it.

Lac La Hache.

Miss M. Murphy of 141-Mile House has been visiting friends in the lower part of the valley this week.

Mr. W. Felker of 144-Mile House paid a visit to Bridge Creek this week.

Miss P. McCarthy returned last Thursday from Clinton, where she had been on a long visit, and we hear, a most enjoyable one.

There has been considerable sickness in the valley during the past few weeks, especially among the children.

Mr. R. Felker was confined to his bed for a week with an attack of la grippe, but is able to be around again.

Mr. Fred Nason is getting out logs for the new stable of the B. C. Express Company. The stable is to be built on the flat near the 120-Mile Post,

One on Dan.

The following story is told on Dan Duhig of Cariboo, who has been spending the winter in Vancouver. Mr. Duhig has a large heart and the other day when he found a two year old child on the sidewalk near his home making "Rome howl" he took the little one in to his good wife for comfort and care. Mrs. Duhig, after soothing the child, advised her better-half to go out and find the disconsolate mother, he would be sure to know by her peculiar actions, and bring her up to get her child. Mr. Duhig did as directed. After wandering down the street a couple of blocks he saw a peculiar looking lady (as he thought) gazing in every direction. Mr. Duhig with his customary Cariboo courtliness said, "Madam I found it." Slowly the lady turned her eyes on him and said "Sir?" "I found it," repeated Dan. "Found what, sir?" said she. "Your baby, madam, and it is all right;" said Dan assuringly. Dan says she looked at him and he doesn't really know what else occurred as he only remembers she said "my name is Miss Annabel Smith and you, sir had better not insult me." Fortunately the right woman came along soon after and the child was restored to its maternal relative. Dan says that settled it and he will not be found on the street looking for the mothers of lost children again. He values his life too highly.

Mining Experts.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you let me tell you my experience about the mining experts who come to my house. They shake hands and wish me well, they pray before they eat, they pray after they eat, they go down on their knees at the bedside and pray before going to sleep, shake hands when they leave and then go up and jump my claim. Are they all alike? Will you kindly give space in your paper to this.

JOHN TETLANEETOAH.

Indian Reserve, Fish Lake Valley, Feb. 26, 1897.

Local News.

Lent commenced Wednesday, March 3rd.

Mrs. Henry Cargile, who has been so seriously ill for the past week is now slightly improved.

J. J. Mackay, of the B. C. Express Company, spent a couple of days at Kamloops this week.

Mrs. Campbell, wife of P. Campbell, and two children, arrived in town last week and have taken up their residence here.

A few enterprising young men worked Friday afternoon on the skating rink and as a result had it in shape for flooding the same afternoon.

The mining excitement still continues at Kamloops. Several good deals have been made lately, which goes to how that there is something there.

F. Appleyard, from Grand Valley, Ont., left on Monday mornings stage for Lillooet to look after any mining propositions which may come his way.

Every man in the upper country who is entitled to vote and has not his name on the voter's list would do well to register so as to be able to vote when election day comes.

Several claims have been staked on the east side of Mammoth gulch, Fivemile creek, about two miles up the Thompson river, near the Indian reserve post, Spence's Bridge.

George Munroe, road master, is superintending the building of the side track which will be laid on the west side of the station. This will save a large amount of switching which has to be done when a few trains are here.

A local mining association has been formed in Ashcroft among a number of young men. It is the intention to secure a few prospects and to do development work so that investors may see what they have.

The Rev. J. C. Stewart, B. A., of Kamloops, is to conduct divine services here in the Presbyterian church this Sabbath, March 7th. At the morning service the ordinance of baptism will be administered and at the evening service the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed. All are welcome to these services.

The C. P. R. will shortly put in about fifty miles of telephone lines. About 25 miles will be put in south of North Bend and the balance from Ashcroft each way. A new telegraph operator will also very likely be stationed at Spatsum in the near future. A new time card is being fixed up and very likely a new schedule will go into effect about April 1st or 15th.

Jacob Mundorf, of the 20-Mile House, staked a mineral claim on the mountain side behind his house this week. The ledge is about ten feet wide and the croppings show up pretty good. Two men will go to work this week and open the ledge to see what there is in it. Mr. Mundorf has not had the best of health lately and his many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Washington, March 3.—President Cleveland today sent to the House of Representatives a message vetoing the the Immigration Bill. In this message, which is a very lengthy one, he first deals with the proposal to add to the classes excluded from the United States all illiterate persons over 16 years of age, save the parents or grandparents of qualified immigrants.

BRIDGE RIVER & LILLOOET GOLD MINING Co

This company is incorporated as a joint stock company under the Companies Act, 1890, and amending acts, of the province of British Columbia, for the purpose among other things of acquiring the rights of the Bridge River Gold Mining Company, Ltd., in their claims situate on and adjoining The Horse Shoe Bend of the Bridge river in the Lillooet district, British Columbia, and for the purpose of diverting the river from its present course by means of a tunnel through what is known as the Hog's Back; for bringing in an abundant supply of water (5,000 inches) by means of a ditch and flume; for a thorough testing of the whole property to ascertain the relative richness of the various portions thereof, in order to work the same to the best advantage; and for the further purpose of fully equipping the property with mining machinery and developing the same; the directorate to determine what portion or portions of such works shall be proceeded with immediately, with a view to the best financial results.

The capital stock of the company is to be $750,000, in shares of the par value of one ($1) dollar each fully paid and non-assessable.

A limited number of these shares are offered to the public in the shape of preferred stock. The remaining shares will be common stock, and available for sale only after the preferred stock is redeemed.

In November, 1896, it was deemed advisable to send a qualified civil and mining engineer, who could be depended upon to make careful and reliable investigations and surveys of the property referred to; accordingly Mr. J. W. Tyrell, of Hamilton, was retained for the purpose, and the following is his condensed report:

Hamilton, Canada, January 21, 1897.

To the shareholders of the Bridge River Gold Mining Co., Ltd., Hamilton, Ontario.

GENTLEMEN: In accordance with your instructions of the 9th November, 1896, I have made a careful examination of your placer mine on the Bridge river, B. C., and have to report to you as follows:

You property, at present consisting of seven consolidated claims, is mainly situated on the north side of the Bridge river, in the district of Lillooet, B. C., and extends from a post at or near the western boundary of the Indian Reserve, which is 17 miles above the junction with the Fraser, for a distance of two miles up stream to the confluence of the North Fork.

The extent of your claims in all amounts to about 347 acres, which may be classified under three headings viz., high bench land, low bench land and river bed.

The elevation of the high benches range from 250 to 500 feet above river bed at lower end of claim, and the height of the low benches range from 20 to 60 feet above river bed.

The cubical contents of the high benches above stream bed amount to 139,390,900 yards, those of the lower benches to 1,600,000 cubic yards, and those of the stream bed amount to 70,000 cubic yards per foot of depth, which, with a depth of 40 feet to bedrock, as is reported to exist, would make a total for stream bed of 2,800,000 cubic yards.

With the addition of the property upon the south side of the river, which you are about to acquire, the acreage of your claims will be swelled to the amount of 719 acres, and the cubical contents of the high benches to about 365,900,900 cubic yards.

The formation of your claims is chiefly that of a loose gravel, apparently of ancient river deposit, with some thin firmer beds or pay streaks appearing at various elevations, upon the exposed sections of banks. Nothing of the character of cemented gravel was found, but on the contrary the nature of the material appears to be most admirably suited for hydraulic mining.

Rock occurs at several points in a direct line across the south side of the Horse Shoe Bend and along the river bank. Between the rocky bluffs the whole river now winds its way, but to all appearances the ancient channel of the North Fork lay along the base of the mountain range, where now exists a great bed of auriferous gravel 450 feet in depth.

A further evidence of the gravel bed having once been the course of this branch of the river appears from the fact that just above your claims there has been at some time a great slide of rock from the side of the high mountain, which wonld account for the stream being deviated from the ancient to the present channel.

This great gravel formation, having been the bed of the ancient river, might well be expected to be highly gold bearing, as you have found it to be.

Your property is exceptionally favored in its location and natural facilities for economical operation. The climate of Lillooet is well known to be about the best to be found in British Columbia, so that you may expect to be able to operate your mine some seasons without interruption, or a least for nine months of the year, which is about two months longer than work can be carried on in the famous Cariboo district to the north.

It is comparatively easy of access, being only about 80 miles from the main line of the C. P. R., and of this distance 60 miles consists of a good stage road, the remaining 20 being "pack trail."

With regard to the very important question of water supply, you mine is most fortunately situated. Within three miles of your claims there is a constant available supply of 10,000 miner's inches at an elevation of 550 feet above river bed at lower end of mine.

This will place the maximum length of ditch required to operate your whole property at less than five miles, which, considering the ample and constant supply, is a natural advantage probably unequalled in the province. Other mines in the Cariboo district have been obliged to conduct their water supply, of far inferior extent and constancy, for four times the above distance at enormous expense.

At the Horse Shoe Bend a peculiar natural feature exists of great value. It will be possible and advisable to divert the river from the present broad channel around the Bend by means of a short tunnel through the point of rock at the "corks" of the shoe, and thus dry the rich river bed and low gravel benches in the Bend so as to render them readily accessible for sluicing purposes. The cost of this tunnel will be small as compared with the great benefits which will be derived from its construction, one of which will be additional water power that can be advantageously made use of for washing the lower diggings, and operating an electric light plant,

Regarding the river bed and gravel flats of the Horse Shoe Bend, they should from their natural position be found to be exceptionally rich. Above the Horse-shoe the river flows very swiftly through a deep canyon, but when it strikes the "frog" of the shoe or protuding tongue of rocks, its velocity is suddenly checked, and around the bend it varies from only three to four miles an hour. Thus the channel here forms a natural sluice box, which must catch all the gold brought down the canyon.

One of the most necessary requisites for the economical operation of a placer mine is well known to be an ample and convenient dumping ground for the washed material. In this respect your mine is also most favorably situated. It not only possesses the deep channel of the Bridge river for the entire length of your claims, but at the bend there is in addition the great circular pit of fully 50,000,000 cubic yards capacity. This after wash-of the river bed and lower benches in it will form a most admirable dumping ground.

For the purpose of constructing flumes, sluices, dams or other structures an abundance of timber is available on all parts of your property.

My estimate of the cost of the various works necessary in order to equip your mine, is the sum of $78,690, as per my detailed report.

It has been ascertained in practice that one miner's inch of water will wash as much as ten cubic yards of gravel per day, so that with 5,000 inches of water, the right to which you have secured, you should be able to handle 50,000 cubic yards per day. This in a season of 225 days, which you should at least count upon, would amount to the enormous quantity of 11,250,000 cubic yards, which at the very low average of 10 cents per cubic yard would yield the handsome sum of $1,125,000 in gold per annum.

In conclusion I am pleased to be able to state that, after careful examination, it is my opinion that in many respects your property is unequalled as a placer mine in the province of British Columbia.

Freight Shipments.

Below will be found the date of departure, teamster and destination of all freight shipped north by Ashcroft forwarding agents.

Feb. 27,	R. Cummings, Lillooet..	1,400
" 27,	H C Rayson, Forks, way	9,500
Mch. 1,	H Rayson & Co, Ques....	11,490
" 1,	J H McLennan, 108.....	10,836
" 1,	H. Rayson & Co, Clinton..	889
" 2,	A Heffren, Lillooet.....	2,300
" 3,	J Gannon, Clinton.....	5,316
" 4,	Henry Martin, Lillooet..	3,240
" 1,	J. Delayner, Lillooet.....	2,600
" 1,	R. Rutherford, 150.....	4,600
" 1,	A. J. McKinlay, 150.....	7,400
"	J. Lennihan, Stanley.....	8,700
" 3,	P. Garigan Pavilion.....	2,160
" 3,	W. S. Cook, Lillooet.....	17,200
" 4,	B. X., Clinton.....	1,100
" 4,	T. Maxwell, Soda Creek..	8,000
" 4,	H. C. Rayson, Horsefly, Quesnelle Forks.....	17,350
Total.....		113,381

A Big Seizure.

San Francisco March 1.—The custom house special agents yesterday made the largest opium seizure ever secured in California. They secured opium valued at $200,000, smuggled in for a syndicate of Chinese firms. The opium came here two months ago consigned to H. R. Davidson, of the Bank of British Columbia, who turned the drug over to the warehouse of Swayne & Hoyt, where it was seized before it could be removed by the Chinese, who are the real importers of the smuggled opium.

CAYOOSH CREEK MINES.

In an interview with some men from Lillooet the following information was gleaned: Cayoosh creek is not one of the oldest camps in the Province of British Columbia but Lillooet district is one of the oldest of our mining districts. Its history reads back as far as the history of the excitement along the Fraser in 1858. Cayoosh creek, however, only goes back about seven or eight years, and naturally the conversation led up to that portion of the country. It is only fair, said one of the party, to state one of the first men to send a prospector up the creek was John Marshall, of Lillooet. That, I think was in 1889. This man made $3.50 a day, but as he had the Bridge river fever he did not stay at the work. When a miner gets the fever to go to a place he is almost sure to go, no matter what he has in front of him. Shortly after that a Chinaman came along and went to work. None of us can say what he made, or for that matter how other Chinamen found out what he was doing, but the fact remains that soon after he got to work Chinamen commenced to pour in. They might be seen striking up that way on the run with their hats in their hands. The Chinamen worked the creek for about three miles, but they never bottomed it. It has often been wondered where the gold came from that fed the creek. It may be remarked that in the creek there were found three different classes of gold, the precious metal varying in appearance and quality. The source, or sources, of this gold have not yet been definitely ascertained. The Chinese who were working on the creek at the time that has been referred to obtained numerous nuggets, ranging in value from $10 to $150. Many of these contained quite a quantity of quartz, so much so that the Chinamen had to beat them up with the hammer to free the gold from the rock in order to make their finds salable by weight. Numbers of the nuggets, so called, contained a bluish white quartz. The ledge from which these came has not yet been discovered, but it is quite possible that it may be found in some of the recent locations. Time and development alone will prove this. Other gold, taken out of the creek, showed a similarity to nuggets that have been found in decomposed rock in the Bonanza ledge, which reasonably leads to the conclusion that this ledge has contributed its share during the wear and tear of ages to the wealth of the creek. Up to the last year the general impression was that above the Bonanza and Golden Cache the creek contained no gold, but it has been proved that the Cayoosh creek prospects right up to the source, at Duffy lake, which is distant some thirty miles from the Fraser river. I would like to say, said one of the party, that from my observation I do not think that the Golden Cache has contributed anything to the wealth of the creek, because the Golden Cache ledge is still intact. In years to come it might have done so because nature will, in its own good time, make all ledges feed the creeks in their vicinity. But none of us would have lived long enough to see any gold from the Golden Cache ledge washed into the flowing water. This led the conversation naturally up to the matter of ledges on Cayoosh creek. There are two distinct and well-defined ledges on the left or north bank of the creek. These have been traced for about 12 miles and both of them have been prospected, more or less, all along their course, with very satisfactory results in free gold. Among the well-known claims that have been located on the upper ledge are the Golden Eagle, which is the leading claim of the Golden Cache group, the Alpha Bell, Mayflower, Woodtick, California, Monarch, Whale, Ample and Dandy. On the lower ledge are the Post, Preston, Hazel, Gem, Stanley, Duchess and the Treasure. On the opposite bank are other ledges, on which are situated the British Columbia group, the Atlas, Maude, better known as the Big Horn Bonanza, Louisa, Mary Ann, and numerous others, extending for a distance of at least two miles, recently located, and on which but little prospecting work has yet been done. On the same side of the creek, and about five miles below the Bonanza, some very rich float was found about two years ago. This was as rich as anything yet found in the district. Several locations were made in the vicinity, but as yet they have not dropped on to the source from which the float came. These, however, comprise some very promising prospects. Among these are the Snowshoe group, Gott group and a group including the Nanaimo, Marguerite and the Aurious claims. Other claims located farther up the creek cannot yet be commented upon, because little is known about them. From knowledge of the claims it is safe to say that within two years there will be seven or eight stamp mills in operation in the district. Speaking of the Lillooet district generally, and its prospects it is only fair to say that the claims located in the Blackwater section, Seaton lake, Anderson lake, and the Bridge river districts, many of which are very promising, are being taken hold of in such a way that they are sure to be soon contributing to the prosperity of Lillooet.—World.

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CARIBOO RAILWAY.

Report on an Exploratory Survey for a Line of Railway to Connect the Canadain Pacific Railway with Barkerville, Cariboo District, by H. P. Bell, M.I.C.E.

Victoria, B. C., April, 23rd, 1887.

HON. F. G. VERNON, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the Province of British Columbia: Sir, On the 22nd of November, 1886, I had the honour of receiving a letter of which the following is a copy:—

Sir, *Adverting to the conference I* have had with you, respecting a route by which a line of railway might be constructed to connect the gold mining regions of Cariboo with the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, I have *the honour to instruct you to proceed* forthwith to make such reconnaisance surveys as will enable the government to form an opinion as to the preferable route. One line by way of the Bonaparte river, and another by way of the *North Thompson, has been mentioned* as offering the most favourable routes for a line of railway: and I would request you to make a careful examination of each of these proposed routes, taking such notes of distance, elevations, requisite bridging, rock-work, &c., &c., as may be necessary to prepare a comparative estimate of the cost of construction. You will please make a note of and report upon any circumstance which may have a bearing on the subject. Your survey should be conducted with dispatch, and without incurring unnecessary expense. I am, &c., (Signed) WM. SMITHE.

Under these instructions I left Victoria on November 23rd, 1886, went through to Barkerville, and returned to Victoria February 9th, 1887, having accomplished the object of these instructions, so far as outdoor operations then practicable, are concerned. I have the honour to submit, herewith a diagram of average grades, a profile of the Canadian Pacific Railway survey of 1873, up the Bonaparte river and down St. Joseph's creek to the North Thompson river, and a plan of the routes referred to in those instructions.

I have marked upon this plan the date of the day upon which each camp was broken up, and I shall hereafter refer to the physical features of the ground passed over, in so far as it may be necessary to carry out the instructions received.

Knowing from former observations, that any practicable line would be necessarily circuitous, I foresaw the utility of making a continuos track survey, in order to define, with practicable accuracy, the length of a line between *terminal points. The instruments used* for this purpose were the watch, the magnetic compass, the mariner's sextant, and aneroid barometers. The principle involved in a survey of this kind, is the future correction of errors in estimated distance (made possible by observation of latitude) where the true course is sufficiently near the meridian to admit of this method being used.

The late Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works had applied to Mr. Collinwood Schrieber Chief Engineer and General Manager of Canadian Government Railways, Ottawa, for tracings of certain surveys up the Bonaparte river, made for the Canadian Pacific Railway survey by E. W. Jarvis, under the direction of Mr. Marcus Smith, in 1873. These tracings were received in Victoria on March 28th, 1877. That portion of the instrumental survey of E. W. Jarvis overlapping the track survey herewith, confirms the accuracy of the latter within reasonable limits.

You will see that the points covered by the instructions furnished, stand in the following line of precedence:—

(1.) The line by way of the Bonaparte river.

(2.) The line by way of the North Thompson river;

(3.) The relative cost of their construction.

Before describing the routes laid down upon plan herewith, it will be in order to give a general description of the physical features of the region under consideration, and to this end, I have extracted the following from the report of Mr. Sanford Fleming, C. E., C. M. G., on the Canadian Pacific Railways, dated 1874; He says—

Between the Cascade and the Rocky Mountain chains, there extends an elevated plateau, averaging from a little under 3,000 to fully 4,000 feet above sea level.

This plateau is grooved out by deep river channels, broken by rocky ridges and inferior mountain masses. It has many lakes occupying deep depressions in its surface, and is intersected in *many directions by numerous broad* sheltered undulating valleys. The surface of this plateau in some quarters is thickly, at others scantily, timbered, and in some districts open prairies present themselves."

Elsewhere in the same report Mr. Fleming says—

"Immediately on the western flank of the main Rocky Mountain chain, are found high mountain masses in independent groups, and known by local names, such as Cariboo, Selkirk, and Gold ranges."

The last description may be taken as the geographical complement for the north end of the region referred to in the description immediately preceeding.

Taking now the points referred to in order of numeration, the first is the line by way of the Bonaparte river.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BONAPARTE ROUTE.

This line is laid down with its southern terminus at Port Van Horne, in preference to Ashcroft. A line terminating at the latter place would be subject to the disbality of four miles of grade, at the rate of about 120 feet per mile; probably two tunnels, of about 1,000 feet each in length, with numerous quick curves, resulting in about six miles of heavy work with a low standard of economical traffic capacity.

It is, however, possible that a junction might be made with the Canadian *Pacific Railway, at some point between* Savona's Ferry and Ashcroft, without the employment of any heavy grades. If this were found possible by instrumental survey, it would shorten the length of the Bonaparte route by the *distance saved between Port Van* Horne and the point so selected as the southern terminus of the Cariboo railway.

The difference of cost between a line from Cache Creek to Ashcroft, and one *from Cache Creek to the south terminal* point wherever situated, is not worthy of consideration when the difference of economical traffic capacity is taken into capital account.

That portion of the line up the Bonaparte river going north from the 124th mile post on the wagon road (Munderf's farm), surveyed by E. W. Jarvis in 1873, is thus described in the report of the Canadian Pacific Railway surveys in British Columbia by Mr. Marcus Smith:

"The last point is 1,832 feet above sea level, and thence 21 miles up the valley the grades are tolerably uniform, at the rate of 31 feet per mile; the only variations being one of 73 feet per mile for two and a half miles, and a few short lengths of 53 feet per mile.

The works throughout this length will be light; for although the slopes of the valley are rock, with a thin covering of soil, the line can be kept close to the bottom flats, avoiding any deep cutting.

Thence for two miles and a quarter, to the head waters of the Bonaparte, the rise is at the rate of two feet per 100, through a narrow valley, with much loose rock on its slopes; in this the work will be rather heavy.

We have now reached an altitude of 3,372 feet above sea level, in a broad open basin or depression in the great central plateau of British Columbia, the Bonaparte river flowing gently through a chain of lakes or beaver dams. The rise in the next 12 miles is only 122 feet per mile, and the work will be very light."

It will be seen from the foregoing that this portion of Mr Marcus Smith's *description of the line up the Bonaparte* river valley covers a distance of about 40 miles. The profile of this portion of the line, (sent from Ottawa) is useful, not only in relation to that same section, but also as a fair sample of a *large proportion of the work to be* found upon the whole distance, from the south terminal point to Barkerville by the Bonaparte route. I am, however, inclined to believe that the steepest grades, as set forth in the foregoing description, may be considerably reduced without materially increasing the cost of the work.

The country between the plateau of the Bonaparte, at the 86th mile (see plan) and the 142nd mile, is of the same general character. It may be summarized by calling it an undulating plateau offering much choice of ground, requiring a thorough survey, but quite capable of affording in return therefor a line of economical traffic capacity, without heavy works. The only crossing of any magnitude in the whole of this distance, is that of Bridge creek, near 109th mile (see plan). From the 142nd mile to the 150th, it would be possible to descend to the valley of the Horsefly river by Moffat creek, one of its tributaries; but the descent would necessitate a rough line with heavy works, steep grades, quick curves, and a low standard of economical traffic capacity. A good line may be run, reducing the grade or extending the descent over a greater length, by following the western benches of Moffat creek, which are singularly free from ravines; striking the head waters of the six mile creek near the 148th mile by plan, the descent by which establishes the line by way of Beaver river, as laid down upon plan herewith. Going down the valley of the Beaver river from the headwaters near the 148th mile, the valley descends in easy gradations by low benches enclosed between sloping side hills with a straight general direction. Below the 160th mile, the valley contracts in width for about two miles, the bottom bench levels rise, and their western slopes encroach upon the creek channel, but not enough to necessitate the introduction of heavy grades or expensive works. Thence all the way down to the farm and ranch of E. Ti & Co., at the crossing of the Cariboo trail, near the 163th mile by plan, the general character of *the valley is wide and the slopes are* easy, as before described.

The east side of the valley seems to be the best for a line all the way down.

Mr. Marcus Smith in his report upon the surveys of the Canadian Pacific Railway *in 1873, thus describes the val*ley of the Beaver river:

"On the second day's journey the trail crossed a large farm in the Beaver valley near which we camped: this valley, as far as I could see each way from the adjoining heights looked remarkably favourable for a line of railway."

Elsewhere Mr. Marcus Smith says:—

"The Beaver lake is the most important of these valleys. In some places it is fully a mile in breadth, and contains some good agricultural lands and abundance of meadow grass. On the slopes are some patches of inferior bunch grass: but we are here on the northern verge of the bunch grass belt. This valley joins that of the Quesnelle between thirty and forty miles above the mouth of the latter, and in connection with the Horsefly valley affords a good line for a railway between the Clearwater and the Fraser rivers."

(CONTINUED IN NEXT ISSUE.)

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Barkerville, Lightning Creek and Quesnelle Division of Cariboo District.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the statutes, that Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the "Assessment Act" are now due for the year 1897.

All of the above-mentioned taxes collectible within the Barkerville, Lightning Creek and Quesnelle divisions of the district of Cariboo are payable at my office, at Barkerville.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

paid on or before June 30th, 1897

Three-fifths of one per cent. on real property.

Two and one half per cent. on assessed value of wild land.

One half of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess of income, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars, and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one half of one per cent.

If paid on or after the 1st July, 1897,

Four-fifths of one per cent. on real property.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Three-fourths of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars, the following rates, namely, upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent., when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent. when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-fourth of one per cent.

Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita.

41- JOHN STEVENSON,
Assessor and Collector.

Barkerville, B.C., January 2nd, 1897.

LILLOOET DISTRICT.

ASSESSMENT ACT AND REVENUE TAX ACT

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within the East and West Ridings of Lillooet District, assessed by me, are payable at my office, Lillooet. Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate.

Three-fourths of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand collars, one and one-fourth of one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one half of one per cent; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-fourths of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June 1897:—

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate.

One-half of one per cent on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-fourth of one per cent; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

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Cariboo and Intermediate points—Registration closes at 7.30 Saturdays. Other matter for these points may be mailed at the office up to 2 a. m. Tuesdays.

Clinton and Intermediate—Registration closes Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 7.30 p m. Other matter mailed up to 5 a. m. Wednesdays and Fridays and 2 a. m on Mondays will go forward.

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Zion Presbyterian Church—Services at 11 a. m, and 7 p m. Sunday school (union) at 2 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. M. McKee Presbyterian, and Rev. James Turner Methodist clergymen, preach on alternate Sundays. All are cordially invited to attend.

Missing Le Roi Stock.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 22.—A well known business man just back from a trip to Idaho vouches for the truth of this story of good luck;

"About two weeks ago a miner offered Morris Yenzel, a Moscow, Idaho, tailor, a handful of mining stocks for a suit of clothes. Yenzel refused that sort of currency in payment for his labor and goods on the ground that he had no luck in stocks. He remarked that five years ago a miner gave him 5,000 shares of stock, then supposed to be worth one cent a share. He never rerlized anything on the stock. The miner said that if it had been Le Roi stock it would have made him rich. The tailor started and said he was quite certain that was the name of the stock but he could not remember what he had done with it, as he never expected it to amount to anything.

A few days later Yenzel went to the suspended Moscow National bank for an insurance policy and some other papers deposited there, among which he found the missing 5,000 shares of Le Roi stock, now quoted at $8 a share, with accrued dividends.

The Le Roi mine owners have been negotiating with an English syndicate for the sale of the property, but the latter declined to accept without a transfer of every share of stock so far issued. This lot of 5,000 shares was long advertised for, but now there will be no obstacle to the sale of the property if the owners come to Yenzel's terms, He demands $20 a share, or $100,000 for the whole, and will probably get it."

$1,000 Worth of Diamonds Stolen.

Burglars entered the rear door of Challoner, Mitchell & Spring's jewelry store on Columbia avenue, Rossland, next to the post office about 7 o'clock Wednesday night and made a successful robbery of jewelry, watches and cash amounting to over $2,000. The work was done while Mr. Mitchell and Frederick White, a salesman, who have been in the habit of locking up the store and going to supper at the same hour since Christmas, were absent. Valuables were always left in the show cases and display window The precaution to lock them up in the safe was not considered necessary.

The burglars carried the booty to the school house where the small jewelry cases and trays that were taken from the store were stripped and the trays and cases discarded. The empty cases which once contained valuable watches, rings and broaches, numbering about twenty, were found by some school children about 9 o'clock next morning and taken to the principal of the school, who called an officer and had them taken to Mr. Mitchell. The empty cases are the only thing found since the burglary was committed giving any clue to the whereabouts of the marauders.

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There were made in Nelson mining district since July 1st last over 1,800 mining locations.

Properties are said to be rapidly changing hands in Camp McKinney district and mining men and promoters are coming in daily.

The number of men going into Rossland is not diminishing in the least. One day this week eighty-five came in over the Red Mountain railroad.

Burglars entered the office of Secret Service Agent Murphy in the Federal building in St. Louis and captured all the counterfeit money in possession of the department. Two gangs of expert counterfeiters are there in jail awaiting trial. The capture of the counterfeit money robs the government of its chief evidence and practically prevents the effective prosecution of the cases.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Hope, Yale, Lytton and Cache Creek Divisions of Yale District.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within the Hope, Yale, Lytton and Cache Creek Divisions of the District of Yale are payable at my office, Yale.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz.:

If paid on or before 30th June, 1897:
Three-fifths of one per cent. on real property.
Two and one half per cent. on assessed value of wild land.
One-half of one per cent. on personal property.
On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess of income, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and, not more than twenty thousand dollars one and one quarter of one per cent; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

If paid on or after 1st July, 1897:
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Provincial Revenue Tax $3 for every male person over the age of 18 years
41 WM. DODD,
Assessor and Collector.
Yale, January 20th, 1897.

Executor's Notice.

The undersigned hereby gives notice to all who are indebted to the estate of the late William H. Keatley, of 15 Mile House, Lillooet, that all accounts must be paid within sixty days, All those having accounts against said estate are requested to send them in at once. MRS. WM. H. KEATLEY.
15-Mile House, Lillooet, February 8th, 1897.

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COUNTY COURT NOTICE.

A sitting of the county court of Cariboo will be held at Ashcroft, B.C., on Monday the twenty-second day of Marbh, 1897, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon.
JOS. WM. BURR,
40-46 Deputy register.
Ashcroft, B. C., January, 4th, 1896.

CARIBOO DISTRICT.

On and after the first of November, proximo, all placer claims or leaseholds in the Cariboo district, granted under authority conferred by the Placer Mining Acts, are hereby "laid over" till the first of June, 1897, subject to the provisions of the said Acts.
38- JOHN BOWRON,
Gold Commissioner.
Richfield, Cariboo, 12th October, 1896.

Notice of Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership existing between M. R. Eagleson and R. C. Hurry, under the firm name of Eagleson & Hurry, hotelkeepers, has this day been dissolved. M. R. Eagleson will continue the business and will settle and receive all accounts. M. R. EAGLESON,
R. C. HURRY.
Clinton, February 1st, 1897.

NOTICE.

Is hereby given that I shall at the expiration of sixty days apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to purchase 320 acres of land in Lillooet district, commencing at the southwest corner of lot 149, thence north 40 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east along lake shore 80 chains to point of commencement. Also 160 acres of land in said district commencing at the south east corner of lot 348 thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains to pointof commencement. FRED C. TINGLEY
Clinton, Jan, 20, 1897. 38-49

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the expiration of sixty days from date, I shall apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to purchase 320 acres more or less of pasture land situated in Lillooet district. Initial post being placed near the northeast corner post of lot 28, group 1, Lillooet district and marked E. J. C, thence east 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 80 chains to initial post described above. E. J. CARSON.
Pavilion Farm, January 16, 1897. 38-45

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, that at the expiration of sixty days from date, I shall apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land, more or less, situated in Lillooet district. Initial post being the northwest corner post of lot 37, group 1, Lillooet district, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains to initial post, as described above. E. J. CARSON.
Pavilion Farm, B.C., January 16, 1897. 38-45

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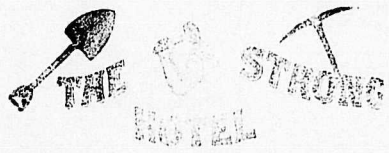

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LOCAL NEWS.

Dr. Sanson of Clinton was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. W. J. Gilcross has been on the sick list for the past few weeks.

C. G. Skene has gone to Clinton where he will visit friends for awhile.

Thursday, March 25th, is the date set by proclamation for the assembling of the Dominion parliament.

Rev. A. Austey Dorrel has been confined to the house for the past week with an attack of la grippe.

Mrs. Grillin, wife of W. H. Grillin, arrived in town last Saturday night from Vancouver and will reside in Ashcroft.

Mrs. R. C. Harry from Clinton and Miss Jennie and Edith Dougherty from Maiden creek ranch were in town Tuesday.

Senator James Reid came down from Quesnelle Tuesday evening and spent a couple of days in town before proceeding east.

The annual general meeting of the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company will be held on Wednesday, February 10th at 8 p. m.

John West, who has been working on the Bonaparte mine for several months, is in town, having a holiday after a couple weeks sickness.

A large number of claims are being staked off in Highland Valley, and some of the Ashcroft people will no doubt make a stake this summer.

Thomas Gannon, brother of "Jimmy" Gannon, arrived in town last week. He is a well known horse trainer and has handled some of the best stock on the Pacific coast.

George Veith of the firm of Veith & Borland, passed through Ashcroft this week and is now on his way to the east for a well-deserved vacation, the first eastern trip in 35 years.

The death is announced at Seattle of Isaac D. Huntoon, who was an early resident of the province, having engaged in business in Victoria, Yale and New Westminster in the fifties. He was well known and greatly respected.

Wm. Polleys and Andrew Birrell of Quesnelle Forks, who have been sojourning for some months at the Commercial, Vancouver, will leave Ashcroft on Monday for their home in Cariboo. They will spend Sunday in Ashcroft.

Archer Martin, the commissioner appointed to look into the affairs of the crown timber agency, has arranged to open the commission at New Westminster on March 9th. It is likely that sessions will also be held in other parts of the province.

The wedding of R. H. Brett of Lillooet to Miss Florence S. Moore was solemnized at Lytton on Wednesday, February 24th. Rev. Mr. Bastin performed the ceremony, Miss Trodden acting as bridesmaid and Mr. Ferguson as groomsman.

The Fader dredge, it is now expected, will be replaced by a dipper dredge of the old style, the engine of the old Fader being used for a new mill. If the first dredge proves a success it is the company's intention to immediately begin the construction of others.

J. E. Annable, deputy chief Ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, held a meeting in the Odd Fellows' hall Wednesday evening to explain the principles of the order, for the purpose of organizing a Court of Foresters here. Enough names have been secured to obtain a charter and possibly Mr. Annable will organize Monday night.

The Maud mine is without doubt sold. The first $5,000 was received some weeks since and other payments will be made soon. The price paid was $100,000. Mr. Addie's, of New York, who has the formation of a company in hand and the raising of the money, is reported as having good success. The new company are paying expenses for work now being arranged for on the mine.

The Cariboo shareholders will receive eight shares under the new incorporation in place of one in the old. About 1,000,000 shares will be reserved to be sold at par and used in the development of other properties owned by the company. The Moorehead ditch will not be built this season. Some work will be done on the Moorehead creek claims, however. The Montreal company expect to begin work early in the spring but their plans are not yet fully completed.

Marshall Cleveland, an employee of the Golden Cache mine was killed Sunday evening by falling over a precipice. He had been to town during the day and on his way back to the mine followed a short cut trail which had become icy. He slipped and fell about 200 feet. The body was recovered next morning. A friend of Cleveland's, Mr. Yates, who left Ashcroft on Monday's stage to pay him a visit found him a corpse on his arrival at Lillooet. The body was brought to Ashcroft Tuesday and shipped to Oregon City, where deceased's relatives live accompanied by Mr. Yates.

James McKnight, proprietor of the Bailey Hotel, was up from Lytton last Monday.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Cariboo Mining Company will be held on Wednesday, February 10th.

The freight receipts at the C. P. R. station, Ashcroft, for the week ending Friday, March 5th, were 225,000 pounds.

The I. O. G. T. open meeting which was announced to be held last Thursday has been postponed until Thursday, 11th.

Archie Knight who has so long been in charge of the 150 Mile House store and hotel, is visiting friends and relatives in Chilliwack.

J. D. Prentice, manager of the Western Canadian Ranching Co., left for a trip to England Tuesday night and will be away for a couple of months.

The C. P. R. has declared a semi-annual dividend of one per cent. on ordinary and two per cent. on preferred stock, payable on April 1st, the day of the annual meeting.

A petition has been presented to the provincial legislature by F. E. Ward, of Spokane, asking for a charter to construct a railway from a point at or near Ashcroft or Kamloops to Barkerville, Cariboo.

The C. P. R. has closed a five-year contract with the Seattle & International to handle the former's passenger business in Seattle. Trains will run into Vancouver over the Mission branch instead of the Great Northern.

J. B. and Mrs. Hobson are stopping in Vancouver at present but will soon leave for the upper country. With a 20 stamp mill on the Horsefly to run either by steam or water power we look for good returns from that section the coming season.

Dan McKinnon is in Vancouver with some very good samples of quartz, giving assays of $38 in gold per ton. Dan says the ledge is twelve feet wide and is on Harrison lake about 15 miles up. From his description it should be good property.

The telephone question is under consideration by the Burrard Inlet Telephone Company. What will be done this season will be decided within a few days. The matter is of much importance to Cariboo and its people. It is to be hoped that it will be pushed through.

The enquiry is made of us where the beautiful town of Cacheton is. We don't know. Is it the place about a mile and a quarter above the Golden Cache mine? Is it on the bunk of Cayoosh creek, where there is not room for half a dozen houses, and more than a mile from anywhere and always will be. We ask for information.

John Marshall, of Lillooet, who returned home the forepart of the week reports a good time while in Vancouver even if he did have to spend some weeks in a hospital. He is making arrangements to put the "Ample" townsite on the market and already has about two dozen lots sold. The survey is about completed by Major Burnett.

A meeting of the members and adherents of the Presbyterian church was held in the church last Monday evening to consider the proposition of the presbytery to have a regular ordained minister to preach here every Sabbath. It was put to a vote and was almost unanimous in favor of the weekly services. The church, although owned by the Presbyterians has been run as a Union church ever since its completion, the Methodists holding services every alternate Sunday. With the new change the few members of the Methodist church will probably fall in line with the Presbyterians and will continue in the good work. In the east, where there are not enough people to support ministers of both denominations the minority usually joins with the majority, which will probably be the way in this case.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to appoint

16th February, 1897.

Colin Nicol Black, of Manson Creek, Omineca, Esquire, to be a Justice of the Peace within and for the Cariboo and Cassiar Electoral districts.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days from date I intend making application to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres more or less of pasture land, commencing at the south east corner of lot 353, group 1, Lillooet district and running south twenty chains, thence east forty chains more or less to lake thence following lake in a northerly direction to line of lot 353, thence following said line to starting point. JOHN H. ROSS.

100-Mile House, Feb. 24, 1897. 44-51

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I shall at the expiration of thirty days apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to lease forty acres of meadow land situated about a half mile east of my pre-emption in Lillooet district, commencing at the post marked L. J. C., S. W. corner thence east 20 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south to post of commencement. L. J. CROSINA.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 1897. 44-47

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