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Omenica.

The indications now are that the season of 1896 will witness more prospecting in the Omenica district and through the Peace river country than has ever been done before, at least since early days, when prospecting was done not for the class of diggings that would be held as good now, but for at least $20 a day ground. The extreme high cost of provisions in the '60's when the most of the explorations of the country above named were made, being such that nothing less than an ounce at least would pay the miner to stop in the the country. Since those days very little has been done in the way of prospecting, and no doubt at all exists but that in the country above Cariboo good diggings will yet be found, ground that will at the present time, with the comparatively cheap cost of provisions, horses and transportation be considered good. The section above referred to is much more favorably situated than is the Mecca to which so many prospectors are this year travelling, Alaska. There is no comparison to be made between the two sections. The Yukon, with its 60 degrees below zero for months at a time, and only 100 at the best, working days of the year, the country that the most any one miner has ever brought out, of the thousands who have visited and worked there, was $3,000 for two season's work and this the best, remember, ever done, while hundreds, to the personal knowledge of the writer, have come out absolutely without a dollar, some with wages, which are, when a miner can get work, which is not always by any means, $10 per day. Many hundred poor fellows will curse the day that they rushed off without suitable means or equipment to the Alaska of their dreams, but which will prove on his awakening to the real condition of things, a place very far removed from paradise. Omineca, on the contrary, can be visited and well prospected in certain sections during the summer months. Game and fish abound, good roads and trails lead into the country in general and none of the hardships spoken of in connection with a trip across the Chilcat Mountain range into the Yukon basin, to be encountered. The season for prospecting lasts from five to seven months. There is no doubt but that a railroad will pass through this section before many years and those fortunate to get hold of good mining propositions in that section will be able in the near future to place the same with capitalists if they are so situated that they cannot themselves develop or open them up and make them producing properties. From reports of early timers, who of course paid no attention to quartz, except incidentally, as so far from the settlements in those early days, no quartz could be held of value, it is believed that good quartz ledges will be found throughout this section and if so this will of course greatly stimulate the opening up of this important section. We believe from a fair statement of the facts in the case, as good opportunities now exist in the Omineca and Peace river country as any section under the sun for the prospector who knows his business and a few short months are likely to make the country better known than have the past 20 years. Let the prospector who does not know just what section to strike for try Omenica.

In connection with the subject of the Omineca country the following description taken from the prospectus of the 43rd Mining & Milling Company of Omineca will be found of interest.

This company has been incorporated for the purpose of working and developing certain auriferous bench diggings and creek diggings. Have abundance of timber for all mining purposes. The climate is good. We can work from 5 to 6 months in the year.

The Omenica was first entered in 1864, but scarcely developed till 1867. Active mining being carried on from 1867 till the Cassair excitement, when it was virtually abandoned for the new field. On good reliable authority, miners were making as high as $30 per day, but all, or nearly all left for the new excitement. John S. Holloway, better known amongst old timers, as "Doc" Holloway reports making $30 per day hand washing.

Mr. Charles McKinnon, of Babine lake, on Slate Creek, last season took out $850 from a piece of ground 8 feet by 12 and 6 feet deep. This was reported by Mr. McKinnon to Lt.-Col. Wright on his (Col. Wright's) exploratory trip to this district last season.

The concensus of opinion amongst old timers who have mined in the Omenica is that it is, without question of doubt, the richest known portion of British Columbia. The reason this most promising district has not received the attention of investors before this has been the cost of transportation, and the fact that the greater part of the ground located can only be worked by the improved system of hydraulic mining, viz.: The new elevator system, which is the system our company intend using.

The company has received a tender for the transportation of supplies and machinery at a figure that obviates all the difficulty in this direction.

The locations on Slate creek consist of a succession of benches or shelves of auriferous gravel, the face being from 35 to 100 feet and running in shelves or terraces 1,500 feet back from working point. The gravel is extremely easy of manipulation, being free from all clays and other adhesive substances, and with no cement beds. The boulders are comparatively small, and can easily be handled by one or two men.

Lieut.-Colonel Wright visited the Omenica last season with "Doc" Holloway, who was thoroughly acquainted with every known placer deposit of British Columbia, and who mined for four years in this district. With his advice and assistance Lieut.-Colonel Wright prospected and located the company's claims, fifteen in all, and considered by them the choicest deposits of auriferous gravel in this pre-eminently rich district.

Following is an extract from an article by J. M. Buxton in the MINING JOURNAL November, 1895:

"The Kootenay and its tributaries are very rich both before it becomes an American river and after it returns to its native land. Northward again of both the Fraser and the Columbia are the Cassiar and the Omenica districts, in which the prospector can make good wages by rocking or shovelling into small sluices. I have not been able to personally examine these districts, but, from reports brought in by some of my men, I believe the gravel deposits, suitable for hydraulicing, to be much richer than those in the Cariboo. On the other hand, I must point out that the cost of transportation is exceedingly high, and the duration of the water season very short. I doubt very little that when roads are built either by government or private individuals, there will be as much capital invested there as is any other part of the province."

Around the 150.

Many are rejoicing over the fact that, at the instigation of several persons desirous of purchasing small tracts of land for building purposes, the Reverend Fathers of St Joseph's Mission have decided to have, as soon as possible, a townsite surveyed at the junction of the Williams Lake road with the Cariboo Trunk road, and to place town lots on the market. San Jose is the name of the new town and already several prominent business men have decided to put up substantial buildings this coming summer.

Mr. Chester McAdams intends to shortly remove his saw mill to near the new townsite, where he will continue to furnish lumber at reasonable rates.

Mr. Geo. A. Vieth, of the firm of Vieth & Borland, who has been here looking after his business interests, has returned to Keithly, where he reports everything as booming.

Dr. Wilson Herald went on a visit to the coast last week.

The new school at St. Joseph's Mission is rapidly nearing completion. The painters are now putting on the finishing touches.

The weather is fine and should it continue so the farmers will soon be ploughing.

The rejection by the legislature of the application to operate traction engines on the Cariboo road, meets with universal approval.

The proposed Wide Tire Act now being considered by the legislature is condemned by all in this section as being unjust to freighters, most of whom have lately bought new wagons, and also as not being needed for at least five years to come. H.

Around Lytton.

Mr. Arthur Stevenson road superintendent from Lytton, spent a day in Ashcroft this week. Mr. Stevenson informed the JOURNAL that the big dredger was still at its anchorage near the mouth of the Thompson but that having made a trial of its machinery and finding it in good shape they were to move the dredger up the river soon. Mr. Dalton one of the principal owners is at Lytton and in charge of the business. The small dredger is working on Mormons bar and there is no doubt but that it is successful as a gold saver. Mr. Young, who is now at Kamloops, informed Mr. Stevenson that a new dredger would be built by his company at Spences Bridge to operate on the Thompson near that point. Several years ago when the big slide at Black canyon, a few miles below Ashcroft, dammed the river for some hours considerable gold was picked up from the bed of the river by Indians. One case in particular attracted Mr. Stevensons attention, a klootchman with a spoon and pan took out in ten minutes a pan of dirt from which she got over $40, and could have done much better but was in constant fear of the dam a short distance above giving away, which it did soon after. Of the richness of portions of the river bed there is no chance to question and if dredgers can work successfully among the boulders that in many places cover the river beds they will reap a rich harvest. In any case the feasibility of river dredging will soon be settled as with the work so far advanced as it is now, several of the dredgers throughout the Cariboo and Lillooet water courses some of them must be able to demonstrate their worth the present season. Mr. Young has a carload of machinery in Kamloops that will be sent forward soon to Ashcroft.

Off to the Gold Fields.

On Thursday of this week a party of four men, Orville McCallum, Paul Faulson, James Beatley and F. T. Hamshaw, from Portland, Oregon, reached Ashcroft on their way to Williams creek, Cariboo. The party came in early in the season purposely so as to stop over at Quesnelle for a few weeks. Mr. James Beatley will be recalled by many old timers, having spent several years in Cariboo in the '60's. To the JOURNAL Mr. Beatley said he left Victoria in 1862 for Williams creek with only $10 in his pocket, but by selling grass at 7 cents per pound, to pack and saddle trains, which he cut with a sheath knife and often packed on his back for a mile or more, he managed to arrive in good time at the diggings with a new pair of boots, for which he paid $40, 75 pounds of supplies for which he paid $150 and quite a sack of dust in his pocket. He went to work on some abandoned ground on Williams creek and made the first three or four days only $3 or $4 per day but soon struck it rich and took out as high as 20 ounces in a single day. After working out his ground he bought a claim of Bill Cunningham for $1,000 and did well there. Mr. Beatley stayed some years in the country but eventually drifted into Oregon and some of his neighbors, from reading the MINING JOURNAL, made up their minds to come up and see the country. Mr. Beatley could not resist the temptation of coming and having another try for gold. He has great faith in the future of the country and thinks the output of early days will be discounted in the near future. Quartz, Mr. Beatley says, will be found, and will in his judgment eventually lead the mining industry in Cariboo. He expects to spend the season in a section not far from Barkerville, where he knows there are valuable quartz ledges and hopes to make a good showing on them before the season closes. He recalled with pleasure the old days when Bill Cunningham threw a double handful of gold twenties through the mirror in a bar room at Victoria, breaking it into fragments, and after paying the proprietor $500 for the damage, told him to pick up the change from behind the bar for his trouble and invited everybody to come up and liquor at his expense, as he was having a good time and wanted his neighbors to know it. The party accompanying Mr. Beatley were young men evidently well able to look out for themselves and have plenty of means so that they can spend the season, or several of them if they wish, in prospecting. Parties situated as this company is, will as a rule be well satisfied with the showing made by the country. Not all will strike it rich, but none will totally fail, and the chances are ten to one better than to follow the crowds of treasure seekers who are making the wild and reckless rush for the Yukon gold fields.

Quesnelle Forks.

McRae's Hotel has added a wing and been otherwise improved, in anticipation of the spring trade, which the development work that will be done in this section warrants. The house will be in good shape to accommodate any one desiring quarters at the Forks.

John Grey, in charge of a gang of men are busily pushing work on the North Fork to divert the river. Mr. Pierson, of Victoria, who is largely interested in the project, is now on the ground.

On the Breckenridge claim several shafts have been sunk to a depth of 50 or more feet. They are now drifting and are taking out some gold. They are well pleased with the outlook.

The weather has been cold, although now warmer and about 2½ feet of snow on the ground.

A notice is posted here calling a meeting in the interest of Hewitt Bostock for Dominion members of parliament. Many who should be voters are not on the list and much dissatisfaction is expressed thereby.

The outlook for the various propositions in this section is good. The Montreal Company, the Beaver mouth, the French Company (the Columbian) the Fishback hydraulic and various other large propositions are making preparations to go on with work on a large scale, and dozens of propositions will be put in shape for capitalists to take hold of for the next season. Quesnelle Forks has a great future.

The Remedial Bill Carried.

SPECIAL TO THE MINING JOURNAL.

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Chinese Laborers in Cariboo.

It is to be hoped that mining men operating in the various mining districts of British Columbia will as far as possible give the white laboring men work instead of turning it into the hands of the Chinese. There may be certain kinds of work that Chinese are better adapted for than white laborers, we doubt however if such exists outside of the laundry or possibly in irrigating ditches, this kind of labor a chinaman seems well fitted for, and it is a class of work sometimes difficult to obtain white men for, but we venture to say that if there were no chinamen in America all classes of people would be the better for it. Our readers will recal that an authority on mining and work connected therewith, said in an interview last fall that his experience with Chinese labor was so unsatisfactory that he would never employ one around his works again outside of possibly the kitchen department. Mr. Hobson stated that his white laborers paid $2.50 per day, moved on an average seven yards of dirt in ditching, his Chinese paid $1.75 moved on an average of three yards, a vast difference as will be readily seen in favor of white labor. White men spend their earnings in the country and it is not all horded and carried out. Chinamen on the contrary spend no more than enough for a bare living and eat that on which a white man would starve. This does not include the few old timers among the chinamen they are so far civilized that they have become fixtures in the upper country and are not bad citizens, their numbers are however few. Of the hundreds that stopped at Ashcroft station last year made their way to the Chinese quarter of the town and left the next day with a pole on their back and a bundle on each end. no revenue either to the government or the people locally was realized, they simply absorbed whatever money was paid them and it was seen no more by the residents of this country. Some legislation should be passed by the present legislature making it absolutely obligatory on the holders of mining leases employing white labor. Give those that will take out leases with this proviso such a rebate in the way of rentals and privileges that they will be glad to do so and in a few years time the mongolian with his opium, leprosy, and general filthiness would be a thing of the past and the country the better for it.

Fable of the "Lost Rocker."

Minneapolis, March 7.— H. W. Seldor of Minneapolis is organizing an expedition of twenty men to search for hidden gold and a rich mine in Northwestern British Columbia. In 1884 the mine was discovered by a party of four men, the whereabouts of two being now unknown. In 1892 Billy Wilson, one of the party, started out on a second expedition with twelve men. Nine became discouraged early. They discovered the "Lost Rocker," as the claim is called, and commenced to wash the gold. They stayed too long and summer was almost over when they started for home. They hid $50,000 of gold at the place, and each of the three men took $12,000 with him. About half way on the thousand-mile tramp home Wilson's two companions died of fever, and the new expedition will try and find their bodies, with the gold, which Wilson could not bring away. After a long and perilous journey Wilson reached Leadville with $10,000 in gold. He is now in Johannesburg, South Africa, but he has communicated to Mr. Seldon, his brother-in-law, a minute description of the mine, which is near the Alaska boundary, as well as the place where the two bodies lie.

A new lot of fools caught by the same old liar's story.

Silicious Ores in B. C.

It is the opinion of many mining men that inside of a year there will be silicious ore enough found in British Columbia to warrant the building of smelters. Most of this class of ore comes from Ainsworth and several claims at the foot of Slocan lake are showing up the same class of ore. The Trail creek district, the district of mineral suprises, bids fair to produce a large quantity. Mining men familiar with smelting say the country must produce silicious ores, and when this is done smelters will come. One smelter man said: "I look to see Spokane become a smelting point before many years, as the ores for successful smelting are fast being discovered. When that time arrives smelting companies will not ask a bonus for erecting plants."—Spokesman-Review

Famous Mine Closed Down.

Butte, Mont., March 6.—Attorneys representing eastern bondholders of the Butte and Boston Copper and Silver Mining Company today filed an attachment on its property for $416,000. Seven hundred men are out of employment.

The Tramp at the Door.

He came to the back door, which he opened without the ceremony of a knock and entered the summer kitchen of the house to find it cold and unoccupied. A no sign, "Beware of the dog," greeted his one good eye, he kept on and climbed a short flight of terrestrial stairs where dilapidated saucepans and other culinary utensils had been ignominiously abandoned by the cook. Then he knocked at the second closed door which confronted him and was almost immediately afterced by the entire household.

For his coming had not been unobserved. Everybody was there to meet him, but nobody was there to greet him—not at least with a kindly welcome. The several pairs of feminine eyes focused upon him expressed various degrees of wrath fear, contempt and repulsion. The mistress of the house was young and pretty, but her face was set like flint. Yet she had the kindest heart in the world. But when the tramp asked her for a bite to eat she ordered the cook to hand out a cup of coffee, a boiled egg, left over from the family table, and some bread and butter Then she gave the cook—by a glance of warning—a tip regarding the silver. The forks and spoons in that family were genuine and heirlooms, so the tramp ate his breakfast in the primitive fashion which obtained before knives and forks were invented. He seemed to have refined instincts in table etiquette, and the egg, which was soft boiled rather bothered him, until he made a bit of the bread serve as a spoon. It was embarrassing, too, to eat with the mistress of the house watching him. It was more embarrassing to have her suddenly ask:

"Why are you a tramp?"

"I cannot get work, ma'am."

"Have you tried?"

"Yes'm. Look at my hands!"

She started back; for being versed in the social fad of palmistry she read in the palms he showed her the story of failure and defeat, and saw a life line broken widely ere it had reached half its natural limit.

"Where did you sleep last night?"

"In the station in the town beyond."

Again she thought of the silver, and half closed the door which she held as a barrier between her and this alien of his kind, who was making a paper napkin from a torn sheet lying near. It struck the young hostess forcibly that her guest was consistent with his surroundings. He was eating from a bread-board laid over a flour barrel, his implements being the ten servants that wait on man—his lagers.

"It was my first night in the station house," he continued apologetically. "I had money of my own until last week—enough to buy lodgings. It being the the holiday, it's hard to get work. Have you any work I can do to pay for my breakfast?"

She wanted to test him and prove that he was lazy and worthless, so that her conscience might never reproach her judgment, and she bade him carry a large packing-trunk, on one end of which he was seated, to the attic, a distance of three flights of stairs.

"I couldn't do it ma'am."

She noticed that he didn't say "lady," as professional tramps do.

"I am too weak from want of regular food to lift or carry anything heavy, but I could do light chores. I can carry coal in or empty ashes, or clean—the silver."

There was a sparkle of caustic mirth—it could hardly be called impudence—in his black lustre eyes, and his hostess actually shrunk in alarm at his suggestion.

"You are welcome to your breakfast," she said coldly, and moved to close the door.

"Thank you ma'am; I'm going on, so you won't see again, but I wan't to say something The church bells sound don't they? And you are going to church to put money in the plate for the heathen and to pay for charity. And you have fed me this morning in His name. If He came to ask one single meal of your charity, would you give Him a cold bite outside in the freezing blast, or ask Him in, and seat Him by a warm fire?"

"Christ would not have robbed and perhaps murdered me for doing good."

"Nor would I. There are desperadoes in the highest circles of society as well as in the ranks of the outcast. But do you not think it kinder to keep a dog and not put your charity to such a severe strain? "The greatest of these is charity," reads in the revised edition 'the greatest of these is love.' Have I been enjoying Christian charity or Christian love, this morning."

As she did not answer he resumed his side of the discussion.

"It would have taken a few moments of your servant's time to warm the cup of cold coffee you gave me; and is a silver spoon of more account than the comfort of a being who has a soul? I would not have stolen the spoon, but you could not know that. Perhaps, ma'am, you have read 'Les Miserables,' and recall the old Bishop, the silver candlestick, and Jean Valjean?"

That moment the housemaid thrust something into the hand of her mistress—not the one holding the door, but the other which, held back seemed asking for assistance. It was a toy pistol in silver and ivory which now reposed in the pink upturned palm, which resented the intrusion

"Take it away and bring me my pocket-book," she said in a half whisper. When that came she opened it and took a dollar from its folds.

"That is the amount I would have given to the collection this morning. Take it, and at the first opportunity buy a warm meal. And if you come this way again I will trust you to eat under my roof and give you a spoon."

"Give me half the money, and save the rest for my brother."

"You have a brother, then, who is a tramp?"

"Every tramp is my brother and yours In Christ, or the religion taught is a farce. He had not where to lay His head; neither have we. I shall not come this way again to tax your hospitality, but you will remember me and hereafter make yourself a cheerful giver whom the Lord loves."

He put on his disreputable cap and hobbled away, leaving an astonished household gazing after him. The cook and tenous maid had plenty to say about his impudence, but the young mistress held her peace. She was struggling for the first time with the great problem of the day, why men became tramps. When she relinquished her hold on the door, which had shut her in and that other member of the human family out, she went to her husband, who was ready for church.

"I am not going this morning," she said "I have had the whole service, even to the collection;" and she related her experience with the tramp.

"I did not reassure her to be told that she had sinned criminally and that her offering would doubtless be exchanged for liquor, but she had begun the building of a bridge of trust, and somehow its architecture pleased her. She reasoned with the latter-day poet whose verse she had read with scarcely a thought of its application:

"He can't be altogether bad,
This outcast among men."

After that she dropped the theory and took up the practice of that much lauded virtue—charity.

Woman's Ruling Passion.

The kind women of the church had helped their poor sister through a long illness. They had hired a physician for her, had seen that his perscriptions were filled, had brought her broth and jellies, had cleaned her tenement and, finally, when she was on the road to health again, had made up a purse for her. A couple of weeks later one of them happened to call to see how their protege was getting along she discovered the erstwhile invalid very "low in her mind" and also in her larder

"Why, Mrs. Hendricks!" she exclaimed "We surely left you enough money to keep you comfortably for a while. Have you spent the whole $15?"

"Yes," sighed the beneficiary.

"How?" demanded the inquisitor.

"Well, bein' sick so long that time taught me a lesson about not having a decent—negliger, they call them, I think,—to my name. When I was just able to sit up I thought how fine 'twould be to have somethin' more tasty like than an old shawl to put over my shoulders. So the first day I was out I bought me a pink cashmere wrapper—just in case I should be sick again, you know "

Tiny Oxen.

One of the greatest curiosities among the domesticated animals of Ceylon is a breed of cattle known to zoologists as the "sacred running oxen." They are the dwarfs of the whole ox family, the largest specimen of the species never exceeding thirty inches in height. One sent to the Marquis of Canterbury in the year 1891, which is still living, and is believed to be near ten years of age, is only twenty-two inches high, and weighs but one hundred and nine and a half pounds. In Ceylon they are used for quick trips across country with express matter and other light loads, and it is said that four of them can pull a driver of a two wheeled cart and a two hundred pound load miscellaneous matter sixty to seventy miles a day. They keep up a constant swinging trot or run, and have been known to travel one hundred miles in a day and night without either food or water. No one knows anything concerning the origin of this peculiar breed of miniature cattle. They have been known on the island of Ceylon and in other Buddhistic countries for more than a thousand years.—Tid-Bits.—Scientific American.

Saved by an Elephant.

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Placer Mining Claims.

In the construction of the Placer Mining Act the following expressions shall have the following meanings respectively, *unless inconsistent with the context:*

Mine, placer mine, and diggings, shall be synonymous terms, and shall mean any natural stratum or bed of earth, gravel or cement mined for gold or other precious *minerals.*

Placer claim, shall mean the personal right of property or interest in any place mine; and in the term *mining property* shall be included every placer claim, ditch, or water right used for placer mining purposes, and all other things belonging thereto, or used in the working thereof. *Placer claims shall be divided into* creek diggings, bar diggings, dry diggings, bench diggings, and hill diggings.

Creek diggings, shall mean any mine in the bed of any river, stream, or ravine, except bar diggings.

Bar diggings, shall mean any mine over which a river extends when in a flooded state.

Dry diggings shall mean any mine over which a river never extends.

Bench diggings shall mean any mine on a bench, and shall, for the purpose of defining the size of *a claim in bench diggings*, be excepted from dry diggings.

Hill diggings shall mean any mine on the surface of a hill and fronting on any natural stream or ravine.

Streams and ravines shall include all natural water courses whether usually containing water or not, and all rivers, creeks and gulches.

Ditch, shall include a flume, pipe, race, or other artificial means for conducting water by its own weight, to be used for mining purposes.

Ditch head shall *mean the point* in a natural water course or lake where water is first taken into a ditch.

Free miner shall mean a person or joint stock company, or foreign company *named in*, and lawfully possessed of, a valid existing free miner's certificate, and no other.

Legal post, shall mean a post standing not less than four feet above the ground, and squared or faced on four sides for at least one foot from the top, and each side so squared or faced shall measure at least four inches on *its face so far as squared or* faced, or any stump or tree cut off and squared or faced to the above height and size.

Record, register, and registration, shall *have the same meaning*, and shall mean an entry in some official book kept for that purpose.

Record, when used without qualifying words showing that a different matter is referred to, shall be taken to refer to the record of the location of a placer mining claim.

Full interest, shall mean any placer claim of the full size, or one of several shares into which a mine may be divided.

Close season, shall mean the period of the year during which placer claims in *any district are* laid over by the Gold Commissioner of that district.

Cause, shall include any suit or action.

Judgement, shall include order or decree.

Real estate, shall mean any placer mineral ground held in fee simple.

Joint stock companies shall mean any company duly *incorporated for mining* purposes under the Companies Act, Companies Act, 1890, and any company duly incorporated in British Columbia for mining purposes under the Companies Act, 1862, (*Imperial*), and shall include all companies falling under the definition of foreign company in the Companies Act.

Every free miner during the continuance of his certificate, but no longer, has the right to enter, locate, prospect and mine for gold and other precious *metals, upon any land in the Province of* British Columbia, whether vested in the Crown or otherwise, except on government reservations for townsites, land occupied by any building, any land falling within the curtilage of any dwelling house, and any orchard, land lawfully occupied for placer mining purposes, or Indian reservation. Previously to any entry on any lands already lawfully occupied, such free miner must give *adequate security to the* Gold Commissioner for any loss or damage that may be caused; and after such *entry he must make full compensation for* such damage.

A free miner may locate, and record a placer claim on each separate creek, ravine or hill, but not more than two claims in the same locality, only one of which shall be a creek claim, but can hold any number of placer claims by purchase.

SIZE OF PLACER CLAIMS.

Creek claims.—100 feet long in general direction of stream, and, in width, from base to base of hill or bench on each side, but when these are less than 100 feet apart the claim shall be 100 feet square.

Bar diggings.—100 feet long at low *water mark, and in width from highwater* mark, into the river to its lowest water level.

Bar diggings.—100 feet square.

Bench diggings —100 feet square.

Hill diggings.—A frontage or base line of 100 feet parallel to the main direction of the stream or ravine, and the side lines at right angles to the base line, extending to the summit of the hill.

Legal posts must be placed *100 feet* apart on base and side lines.

Discovery claims, in dry, bar, bench, *creek or hill diggings.*

To one discoverer, one claim, 100 feet in length.

To a party of two discoverers, two claims, together amounting to 600 feet in length.

To a party of three discoverers, three claims, together amounting to 800 feet in length.

To a party of four discoverers, four *claims, together amounting to 1,000 feet in* length.

To each member of a party beyond four *in number* a claim of the ordinary size only.

A creek discovery shall extend on each side of the creek to the summit of the hill but not exceeding 1,000 feet.

A new stratum of auriferous earth, gravel or cement, situated in a locality where all placer claims have been abandoned, is considered a new mine; and dry diggings discovered in the vicinity of bar diggings *is considered a new mine and vice versa.*

A placer claim must be, as near as possible, rectangular, and marked by four legal posts at the corners. Posts must be at least four inches square. One post must be marked initial post, and on that post a written notice must be placed stating—

The name of the claim.
The length of the claim in feet.
Its general direction.
The date of notice and
Name of locator.

If any side line exceeds 100 feet in *length, legal posts must be placed on such* line not exceeding 100 feet apart.

Locations made on Sunday are valid.

In any dispute as to title, priority of location will determine the right, subject to validity of record, and to the free miner having complied with all the terms and conditions of the Act.

All placer claims, and all records in respect thereof, must be recorded in the *Mining Recorder's office of the mining* division in which such claims are situated.

Every placer claim must be represented and bona fide worked by the holder, or someone on his behalf, continuously during working hours; and

If unworked on working days, for a period of 72 hours, except during the close season, some lay-over, or leave of absence, during sickness, or some other reasonable cause shown to the Gold Commissioner, it is deemed abandoned and forfeited.

Any free miner, or company of free miners, shall be entitled to one year's leave of absence from claim—

Upon proving to the Gold Commissioner an expenditure equal to $1,000 on each full interest, in cash, labor or machinery, on a claim, or on any portion of a set of claims, without any return of gold or other minerals in reasonable quantities.

Upon application for such leave of absence being signed by all the holders of the claim or set of claims.

Leave of absence will not relieve the *holder of a claim or set of claims from* carrying out the provisions of the Act respecting free miner's certificates, records and re-records of such claims.

The above does not affect the discretionary power of the Gold Commissioner in granting leave of absence under other conditions.

After recording a placer claim, the removal of any post by the holder, or any person acting for him, for the *purpose of* changing the limits of the claim, shall act as a forfeiture of the claim.

Every forfeiture *shall be absolute*—notwithstanding any rule of law or equity to the contrary.

No placer claim located and recorded within 14 days before, or at any time during *the close season*, will be laid over, unless sufficient work is done thereon to satisfy the Gold Commissioner that such claim is fairly entitled to be laid over.

When the supply of water is insufficient to work a claim, such claim may be laid over during such insufficiency, but no longer, except by leave of the Gold Commissioner; *but notice of the same must be* posted on the office of the Mining Recorder within three days from the cessation of work. This does not apply to mining property held under leases, such leases *being governed by the terms thereof.*

A free miner is entitled to the use of so much of the water naturally flowing through or passing his placer claim, not already appropriated, as the Gold Commissioner shall deem necessary for the due working thereof.

The Gold Commissioner may grant a water right in any unappropriated water, for placer mining purposes, for any term not exceeding ten years, on such terms and conditions as he may see fit; but no free miner shall be charged any money *rental for such water used by him for* mining purposes on his own claim.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Al. Focault and Tom Bishop are over in the Nicola country buying horses.

Adam Ferguson, proprietor of the Lake View House, Savonas, was in town Friday.

Mrs. McLeod of Vancouver arrived in town last Sunday and is visiting her brother Mr. James Haddock.

McDonald's and Perrigo's crews were side traced at Ashcroft this week and will probably remain for some time.

A social dance will be held in the Town Hall on Thursday evening, March 26th. All are cordially invited to attend.

James McCauley is still down at Vancouver. We understand he is endeavoring to make some arrangements about his Horsefly property.

J. D. Breeze, general agent for the Confederation Life Insurance Company, spent Friday in town. Mr. J. H. Clements has been given the agency for this vicinity.

Mr. E. Dougherty brought his family down to his Ashcroft residence last Sunday and will remain this summer while the children are attending school.

Twelve hundred head of cattle will be driven over to the Wilson ranch from their winter quarters at Grand Prairie Thomas Cooney informs us that the stock in that section wintered well.

John Wilson and daughters and Thomas Cooney and wife returned Thursday from Spences Bridge, where they went to participate in the dance given by Mr. and Mrs Clemes. They report having had a first class time.

S. Tingley, of the B. X. Company, reports himself as having a good time in New Brunswick. Mr. Tingley has not been back to his old home in very many years before and is entitled to a vacation.

Mr. Jamieson, telegraph operator and post master at the 150 Mile House, is now in the office at Ashcroft for a few weeks on account of a business change. Mr Jamieson is an accommodating and competent operator.

Mr. Johnson, of the Dominion Gold Mining & Dredging Company, is stopping for a few days in Ashcroft. Mr. Mulholland, the engineer, is expected soon from the east. At last reports the engine and machinery belonging to the company was at Dryneck.

A very exciting runaway took place Wednesday morning when one of Collins & Haddock's teams standing near their stable, taking fright dashed down the street, and would have made a "clean-up" of the rubbernecks had they not come in collison with the telegraph post in front of the butcher shop.

Miss Abernethy, so well and favorably known in Ashcroft, is back from her trip to Toronto and is glad to get back to the genial climate of British Columbia, having found Toronto cold and uncomfortable for winter habitation. Miss Ward, of Toronto, returned with Miss Abernethy and will remain indefinitely in Ashcroft.

Dr. Herald, accompanied by his wife and child, started for their future home at the 150 Mile House last Tuesday morning. The people around the 150-Mile House will be pleased to know that such arrangements have been made by Dr. Herald that he will remain permanently at the 150 Mile House, where he has given general satisfaction to the people in a professional as well as social way.

It is reported that Conductor Risteen has been discharged by the railroad company, being considered somewhat in fault for a rear end collision which took place some weeks ago. Of the facts of course no one in Ashcroft can speak, and it is beyond dispute that discipline must be enforced and rules obeyed. The general traveling public will miss Mr. Risteen, who was well liked by all who were in the habit of meeting him often on the line and in this section the hope is expressed that he will soon be restored to his old position.

Already quite a large number of men have come into Ashcroft, stayed a day or two and gone on up the road, heading, in most cases for the Horsefly or Forks country. More than fifty have left this week The demand for labor is not, we fear going to equal the supply, at least not for some weeks to come, as the camps in the vicinity of Barkerville will not be active until near the first of May. Quite a number of the men who went up this week have employment promised them at the Horsefly.

Messrs. Young and Lee, of Pittsburg, Penn., came in last night to Ashcroft on their way to Quesnelle, where Mr. Young is building his dredger for work on the Fraser river. About 60,000 pounds of machinery direct from Pittsburg is now on the track here. The freight on the carload is nearly $1,000 and with Canadian duty, makes a valuable consignment. Mr. Young is a practical man and knows as much about river dredging as any man in the province. If Mr. Young's judgment is good, dredging will be a prominent factor in gold mining in British Columbia from now on.

A work train will arrive here about the 25th to begin repairing the track and widening the cut a few miles below Ashcroft. Another train will work east from this point. Altogether there will be as much work done on this section, it is expected, as was done last season. The C. P. R. is said to have paid its bond holders $7,000,000 in dividends last year, and undoubtedly has an era of prosperity before it. It is the best transcontinental road on this continent today so far as safety and comfort in traveling are concerned. Another thing often commented on is the uniform courtesy with which travelers are treated by the employees On no other transcontinental road is such treatment accorded to the traveling public and the public notice and appreciate such treatment.

Mrs. A. Walters is convalescent.

John Collins made a trip this week to Chilcoten with a party of explorers.

Mr and Mrs. Charles Haddock will remain for the present with Mr. and Mrs. James Haddock.

Mr. Auley Morrison, of New Westminster, has been nominated by the liberals for Parliament. Mr. Morrison is a well known barrister and a man of ability and integrity.

The funeral of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trimble, which died at Cache Creek on Wednesday March 18th, took place from the Episcopal church Friday afternoon,

Messrs. Bever, Rhodes, Ray, and others will move up the Cariboo road the fore part of the week on their way to Quesnelle Bever will do some prospecting, in the vicinity of Terry creek this season. The Hixon, Canon and Terry creek district is regarded as a good one.

Notice is called to the advertisement, in another column, of the newly laid out townsite of San Jose. There is no question but somewhere in southern Cariboo a good town will be built in the near future. The owners of the new townsite can truthfully say meny things in its favor and with out doubt a likely little place will be quickly built up at San Jose.

Two carloads of cattle from the Basque ranch were shipped to the coast on Tuesday by Mr. Lapointe. The cattle were in very good condition and were a very satisfactory shipment to the shipper. Mr. Lapointe gives Mr. Walter Langley a good word as living up fully to the conditions of his contract, the cattle having been bought last fall and fed through the winter by Mr. Langley. There still remains one shipment on the ranch which will be made in about two weeks.

We are in receipt of a pleasant letter from Dr. Hugh Watt, at present in Victoria, in which he states that in relinquishing his practise at the 150 and vicinity to Dr. Herald it is not with the idea of leaving Cariboo. While on his recent trip east the doctor has succeeded in interesting capital for Cariboo mines, and he will devote his time from now on to the mining interests of the district which has been so long his home. We are glad to note the success of the doctor in his mining business and wish him abundant success and prosperity

Mr. Dennis Murphy, of the 141-Mile House, returned to his home the fore part of the week. Mr. Murphy is well pleased with the amount of the appropriations for the road from the 150 to the Forks and Horsefly. Five thousand dollars will be expended on the Forks road and two thousand dollars on the Horsefly the coming season. These amounts, properly expended, will put the roads, at least the one to the Forks, in fair condition The Horsefly appropriation may be increased by a few hundred dollars before the season closes.

Cache creek seems to be a favorite spot for young people to congregate. At Mr. Jas. Campbell's place one day the fore part of the week we came across a whole lot of nice looking young ladies, and as is usually the case, not far away was a group of young men. All seemed to be having a pleasant time. Riding parties seemed also to be out in force, both horse back and carriage riding. The perfect weather which the people of this vicinity enjoy is a never failing source of amazement to those who have lived, until of late, perhaps, farther south but never where there was almost no winter, as has been the case in this part of British Columbia this season.

A letter received at the JOURNAL office this morning from H. R. Bellamy says:

I have finished up my work on the Horseshoe Bend, Thompson river, claim with very satisfactory results; a portion of the ground running as high as $1.50 per yard, and my company will immediately arrange for building a dredge to work there. I shall be up on the Thompson river some time next week to look up some other property and will call on you at Ashcroft. The company have got a twenty year lease of the Horseshoe Bend.

Freight Shipments.

Below will be found the date of departure, teamster and destination of freight shipped north by Ashcroft's forwarding agents:

March 14,	A C McDonal, 150	3,515
" 14,	J H Robinson, 150	5,019
" 16,	W H Keatley, Lillooet..	4,205
" 16,	J Chenall, Ques. Forks..	4,000
" 16,	M J McCarthy, 150	10,400
" 16,	J C Shermer. 150	7,530
" 17,	L Clark, 150	6,450
" 17,	J. Saffin, 150	5,165
" 18,	J. Chenhall, Soda creek..	493
" 18,	J Walker, Wm's lake	4,140
" 18,	R K Evans, Ques. Forks..	4,100
" 19,	J Gannon, Clinton	4,155
" 19,	B C. X., Clinton	600
" 20,	A Martley, Lillooet	3,362
	Total	63,332

Savonas.

Horse Shoe Bend is attracting considerable attention in this vicinity. It appears that about 200 acres of ground that is rich enough in gold to pay well for working was until two years ago on a reserve, but the water of the Thompson having cut through the neck of land so that the main stream is diverted from its orignal channel, and it is now claimed that the land is no longer a reserve, as the reservation is described as only to high water mark of the Thompson river, The ground having been located and is being held by Mr. H. R. Bellamy and associates who contemplate putting on a dredger to work the river bed, and also expect to bring in water from Deadman's creek to work some of the ground hydraulicing. Owing to the channel of Deadman's creek being so low it will require a very long ditch or pipe line. it is said about 14 miles to get the water on with sufficient head. The ground on the bar yields in places as high as 12½ cents per bucket, quite a force of men are now working and it will be increased soon

Race For a Cinnabar Mine.

Last year a man named Charles Smith, who had been sent in near Tatlow's lake on a prospecting trip, by Victoria parties, was drowned in the Chilcoten river, while on his way out to the recorder's office at Clinton to record a cinnabar mine discovered by him. His accidental death left the mine not properly recorded within the time required by law. The promoters of the prospecting trip, however, who had been notified of the find by Smith before his death, got special permit for the ground to be held by them until a certain time. Meantime another party got track of the strike and the two parties left Ashcroft last week, one by a B. X special for Soda Creek via Hanceville, to Tatlow's lake, and the other by a Collin's & Haddock special to the same place via Dog Creek, Hanceville, etc. Neither party seemed to care for expense but wanted to get there with all speed. The names of two of the members of one of the parties were Cameron and Ellison. The mine is reported by the two members of the party who have seen it as a bonanza.

That "Open Letter."

TO THE EDITOR, Sir:—I have read in your issue of the 14th inst., "An Open Letter," addressed to Mr. Sones, and signed by John Martley, J. P. The only part of the letter which conveys any meaning to my mind, is that portion contained in the last few lines, in which the writer says he could have disposed of the case himself had his judgment commended that course to him.

With all due deference to Capt. Martley's age, experience and well known legal acumen, I would point out that one of the most clearly defined, though perhaps unwritten laws of a magistrate's duty, is, that under no circumstances, should he sit on a case in which he has directly or indirectly any personal knowledge whatever, and had Capt. Martley tried the case in question, I think, sir, he would have laid himself open to rather severe criticism. Knowing that Capt. Martley's magisterial reputation is beyond all question, I feel bound to express a little surprise at the opinion he expressed in print. I am, sir, yours truly,

WALTER LANGLEY.

Basque Ranch, March 19, 1896.

Haddock-Glencross.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Haddock, on Tuesday evening, March 17th, Charles Haddock their eldest son was united in marriage to Miss Violet Glencross daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Glencross. The groom is too well known in this part of the country to more than say that he has lived here since childhood and has many warm friends who cordially unite in congratulating him on the good fortune that enabled him to secure as a partner for life the hand and heart of the estimable young lady who is now his wife. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. Yolland, according to the beautiful and impressive marriage sevice of the Episcopal church. Miss Ree McRae as bridesmaid looked nicely and Mr. Ralph Jarvis who assisted the groom performed his duties ably. The parents of the young couple were all present, after a few hours spent in songs, feasting and congratulations the party escorted the couple to train which was taken for Kamloops where a few days was spent. Miss McRae and Mr. Jarvis were of the party and all returned to Ashcroft Friday morning. The instrumental music and singing by Mrs. Bailey, Messrs. Laforest, Burr, Newland, Shaw, Knight and Atkins, the recitations of Miss Amy and George Bailey and Fred C. Tingley were a pleasant part of the evenings entertainment.

The following is a list of presents received:

Parlor lamp, Mr. & Mrs. Lyne; dinner castor, Mr. & Mrs Bailey; toilet set, Geo. & Marcus Bailey; silver teaspoons, Messrs Deans & Clements, silver coffee spoons, Mr. & Mrs. Leslie; down quilt, Mr. & Mrs. Shaw; silver salts, Miss McRae; china teacups, Mr. Cohen; crystal water set, Mr. Gannon; crystal set, Dr. & Mrs. Reynolds & Miss E. Reynolds; dozen napkins, Mr. Woods; silver butter dish, Mr. & Mrs. Smith; silver sugar spoon and butter knife, Mr. Fraser; photo album, Mr. & Mrs. Burr; silver hand glass, Mr. Cameron; silver tablespoons, Mr. F. Tingley, box of perfume, Mr. E. La Forrest, silver napkin rings, Miss Abernethy, silver pickle dish, Ralph Jarvis.

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Political Comment

The attempt on the part of some of the Victoria people to force the hand of the government in the matter of the British Pacific railway, is regarded as showing very poor judgment to say the least. The proposals so far submitted by the so called railroad people would not entitle the projectors to credit for a second hand suit of clothes at a Hebrew establishment. For a government to furnish the means to build and equip a road, big and grant, etc., there should be something in sight and not merely a visionary shadow of a promise. When the right people will take up the building of a railroad, and in a manner so that we may live as well as let live, we shall be glad to see a road built across the northern portion of this province. Certain sections to be opened up will be of value in an agricultural way but not, we opine, to the extent claimed for it by some authorities. The Nechaco country, for instance, which two years ago was a Mecca to which many travelers took their way, has so far been a disappointment, that severe frosts have prevailed that crop raising is hazardous. The mineral wealth is what must be looked to. Great things may be expected of the northern sections in mines and mining and the time will come when a railroad will be demanded, and the showing such that money will be forth coming to build and equip the same. But in the name of the people who are now contributing all that they feel should be demanded of them in the way of taxation, we protest against a railway scheme, where, as is the present one before the legislature, the means are to be furnished by the people in money and lands, and the so called company hazard nothing.

Answers to Correspondence.

CURIOSITY, California—No Ashcroft is not as large as San Francisco and it is on the Thompson river, not on the seashore.

WILD BILL, San Antonis, Texas—There are no snakes in Cariboo, and you do not need to bring remedies for bites with you. If there were snakes as large as fence rails we have medicine strong enough to make the bitten one leap for joy.

LADY MARY, Seattle,—No Miss Mary, our new post master Jamieson is not the Jamieson now being tried for invasion of a friendly country. Our Jamieson only came down from the 150 and is behaving first rate.

CONSTANCE, New Hampshire,—Yes, the number of marriagable men of all ages is enough to satisfy the most fastidious young lady. Beginning at Ashcroft you can find them all along the road to Omineca.

LAW ABIDER, Local,—We do not know what has become of "White Jack" unless he has followed off on a wagon track.

Several letters stand over to be answered in our next.

The genial Max Leiser of the firm of Pither & Leiser, Victoria, has been doing business in town this week.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE

17th March, 1896

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to appoint

R. T. Wilson Herald, Esquire, M. D., to be resident physician at the 150 Mile House, vice Hugh Watt, M.D., resigned.

R. T. Wilson Herald, Esquire, M.D., to be a coroner within and for the county of Cariboo.

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Alas.

Jackson, the Indian mail carrier, reported that the two white men who started with him, L. S. Hodge and McNeillis, became so exhausted that he was compelled to leave them. They had only half a sack of flour and some beans left of their supplies, and the probability is strong that they perished.

Messrs. Healey, Gasch and Stewart, who left Juneau December 12 with the Canadian mail, are reported at Dyea. They say the mail sacks still remain buried in the snow, and will probably not be found until April or May.

Circle City is short on coal oil and the price is $5 a gallon.

Provisions are scarce in the interior and prices very high at present, but there are enough, such as they are, to insure those who wintered there from any danger of starvation.

Low grade free milling quartz ledges have been discovered in the vicinity of Forty-Mile.

January 3, was the coldest day of the winter at Forty-Mile, the thermometer registering 66 degrees below zero.

Most of the freighting on the Yukon is done with dog teams. From Fort Yukon to Circle City, a distance of eighty miles, the rate is 15 cents a pound. From Circle City to the mines, seventy miles, the winter rate is 15 cents and the summer rate 45 cents.

The Yukon Press, published semi-annually at Fort Adams, near the mouth of the Nulato river, will be removed to Circle City and published as a weekly.

There has been but little sickness on the Yukon this winter, and but three deaths. Capt. Baker, of the steamer Beaver, committed suicide; George Ramsey dropped dead from heart disease, and Anthony Day died from a stroke of paralysis.

Two young men named Montgomery and Fox, rivals in a love affair, fought a duel with six-shooters on Birch creek. Fox received two wounds, neither fatal.

The steamer P. B. Weare, laden with winter supplies, was frozen in the ice at the mouth of Porcupine river last fall. Miners from Circle City went down to her, about 100 miles distant, and took supplies back on sleighs. The steamer will be in a very dangerous position when the ice breaks up.

Wages are $7 to $10 a day. Teamsters, with their teams, make about $25 a day. Theater tickets are $1.50. Whisky is 50 cents a glass; beer, 50 cents a schooner and 25 cents a bar glass. Barbers charge 50 cents a shave and $1 for cutting hair. Stove wood, $10 a cord.

Five hundred persons wintered at Forty-Mile and 700 at Circle City.

Ladue & Harper's sawmill at Sixty-Mile is kept pretty busy to meet the demand for lumber. Dressed lumber sells at $100 per 1,000 and rough lumber at $70. It costs $30 additional to deliver it at Circle City. The firm proposes in the spring to put in a new mill at Circle City and also an electric light plant, to light up the Arctic metropolis.

NOTICE.

A sitting of the County Court of Cariboo will be held at Ashcroft, B. C., on Thursday the second day of April, 1896, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon.

JOS. WM. BURR,
Deputy Registrar.

Ashcroft, February 29th, 1896. 44-45

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NOTICE.

Take notice that thirty days after date of this notice I intend on behalf of the North Star Hydraulic Mining company, to apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works to establish a public highway from a point on the main wagon road near Quesnelle bridge to the claims of the said North Star Hydraulic Mining Company, situated on the east bank of Quesnelle river and about three miles above said Quesnelle bridge.

W. A. JOHNSTON,
For the North Star Hydraulic Mining Co.

Dated Quesnelle, B.C., March 6th, 1896.

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NOTICE.

A sitting of the County Court of Cariboo will be held at the Court House Clinton, on Thursday the 23rd day of April next at the hour of ten in the forenoon, and at the court house Lillooet on Monday the 27th day of April next at the hour of ten in the forenoon. By order

F. SOUES
Registrar C. C.

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Clinton, March 10th 1896.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all parties indebted the McKay Harness and Saddlery Company, Ashcroft, that all accounts not paid on or before April 10th, 1896, will be placed in the hands of a collector.

L. McKAY,
Manager.

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NOTICE.

William Hardcastle owner of one-tenth interest of the Black Bear Creek Mining Company of Black Bear Creek, Cariboo, B. C., is hereby notified that the amount of assessments now due by him is one hundred and three dollars and seventy eight cents, $103.78. If said assessment is not paid on or before the 11th day of April, 1896, his interest in the above named company will be sold at Quesnelle Forks, Cariboo, B. C, under section 87 Placer Mining Act, 1891, and amendments thereto.

JOHN McRAE,
Secretary Treasurer.

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TIMBER LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to make application to the honorable the chief commissioner of lands and works for a license to cut and carry timber from a tract of land containing 500 acres, situated on Pemberton Portage, Lillooet district and described as follows: Commencing at a post on Anderson lake creek, about two miles from the head of Anderson lake, thence north 40 chains, thence west 125 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 125 chains to initial stake.

JOHN MARSHALL.

Lillooet, February 27th, 1896. 44-47

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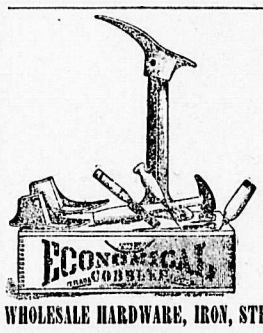

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