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TELEGRAPH LINE FROM ASHCROFT.

Asked as to whether the C. P. R. had any plan for providing telegraph communication to the Klondike, C. R. Hosmer, general manager of C. P. R. telegraphs, who is now in Vancouver, stated that he understood the Government had this very important matter under consideration, and were enquiring into the most feasible means of acquiring it. Mr. Hosmer thought from what information he was able to gather that the most feasible route was from Ashcroft, via Quesnelle. There were no insurmountable difficulties in either the construction or the maintenance of the telegraph route through this district. It is within the recollection of some of the older settlers of the province that the telegraph system of 1866 and '67 was projected with a view of connecting Asia and America by Ashcroft, Klondike and the Behring Sea. Surveys were made of the entire route and away back in those days it was considered a practicable one. Mr. Hosmer said that since that time copper wire had come into telegraph use, and as it weighs about a third of what iron wire does, its use is an important factor in the question of packing and transportation. Mr. Hosmer thought a line connecting Quesnelle, the present terminus of the Government line, with Dawson City, if decided upon within the next few months, might easily be in operation by this time next year. The present line between Ashcroft and Quesnelle is easily maintained, and as somewhat similar conditions prevailed beyond, there is no reason why, in his opinion, constant and reliable communication could not be kept up all along the route. Telegraph stations could be established about every forty miles, the same as at present exists between Ashcroft and Quesnelle. This telegraph line would be the best police system the country could have, to say nothing of a variety of other uses that the telegraph offices might be put to.

Progress at Telegraph Creek.

Frank M. Yorke, head of the expedition who intend building a sawmill and a steamer for service on Lake Teslin in the spring, arrived in Victoria on the str. City of Kingston Wednesday. He came down to Port Townsend on the Alki, where he caught the Kingston. Mr. Yorke has returned for more provisions. His party are all well and making good progress in getting their goods to the sawmill and other goods belonging to the expeditions have been taken in to a point about 40 miles from Telegraph Creek, where they are cached. The heavy machinery is still at Telegraph Creek and no attempt will be made to take it in to Lake Teslin until the snow falls and renders the trail fit for sleighing. As soon as snow falls work will be commenced immediately, and it will not be long until all the property of the expedition is at the lake and work begun on the sawmill. The steamer will be built at the sawmill on its completion. Another passenger who came down on the Alki was E. J. Duchesney, the engineer, who has been surveying a route for the railway which the C.P.R. propose to build this winter from Telegraph Creek or Glenora to Lake Teslin, where connection will be made with steamers. Prospectors going from Ashcroft in the spring and arriving at Telegraph Creek will then be enabled to reach the gold fields of the Yukon with ease; a railway from there to Lake Teslin and up Lake Teslin by steamers.

The Yukon Regulations.

Victoria, Nov. 3.—At a meeting of the Board of Trade today, the Hon. Clifford Sifton, the Minister of the Interior, intimated that the Government would open up an all-Canadjan route to the Yukon, and that everything possible would be done to turn the trade into Canadian channels, but he declined entirely to advocate a law to prevent aliens from holding claims. Several members suggested that this should be done, but the minister entirely ignored the question. After January 1st miners will not be allowed an exemption from duty on 100 pounds of their baggage. Customs officers are to be established on all the routes; arrangements made for a mail service, and the establishment of banks and for the transportation of gold. The question of compelling miners to take out licenses before going into the country and the establishment of a mint will receive further consideration. The regulations reserving alternate claims will be abrogated and the claims reserved en bloc, but Mr. Sifton said that it would be the policy of the government to collect a royalty on the output of gold.

Spokane Fruit Fair.

The following little bit of international courtesy and good feeling is pleasant reading, showing as it does how the part taken in sending exhibits from British Columbia is appreciated by the Spokane people. The letter, which is addressed to Mr. J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, reads as follows;

Spokane, Oct. 27, 1897.

Dear Mr. Anderson:—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter concerning the slight tokens of our esteem which Mr. Hutcenhson was good enough to convey on our behalf. Our president, Mr. John A. Finch, and the entire management of our fruit fair are very much gratified to know that their simple tokens have been graciously accepted by the recipients as an indication of the high esteem in which our neighbors of British Columbia are held by everybody connected with and interested in our fruit fair, which during the past four years has done so much to develop the resources and advertise the possibilities of the entire Northwest. We fully appreciate the great tribute you have paid us in having sent so far and at such great expense the magnificent and to those unfamiliar with the resources of your province, the surprising exhibit of fruit and other products from your favored province. Thanking you personally for the friendly interest you have at all times taken in our behalf, and with the kindest regards of our management,

H. BOLSTER.
Manager.

British Columbia Appointments.

Lieutenant-Governor E. Dewdney's term of office expired Tuesday. Senator McInnes has been appointed Lieutenant-Governor to succeed him, and Mr. Wm. Templeman of the "Times," Victoria, has been appointed to succeed Mr. McInnes in the Senate. Mr. Templeman had the solid support of the Liberals, and many of the Conservatives of British Columbia for the Governorship, and would have undoubtedly got that office had he insisted upon it. It was the personal wish of the Premier that he should take an active part in political life here. The Senate requires to be strengthened, and Mr. Templeman will be a good acquisition to the Government party in the Upper Chamber, where it is now weak, It was on these grounds that Mr. Templeman gave up the Lieutenant-Governorship, and has become a senator. Mr. Templeman has the united support of the Cabinet, and his coming to Ottawa is expected to strengthen the party all over British Columbia.

For A Million.

Chicago, Nov. 3.—A special to the Times-Herald from Benton Harbor, Mich., says:

An English syndicate has purchased Frank Piscator's gold mines in Alaska, paying $1,000,000 for three claims.—No. 21 on Bear creek and two rich claims on Eldorado. The syndicate pays $20,000 down and the balance of $980,000 at the end of one year. Phiscator went up to Alaska in February, 1896, and cleaned up $36,000 in seventy days from claim No. 2, on Eldorado creek. Since his return to his home near this city he has purchased homes for all his relatives and paid off mortgages for others, expending about $15,000 in this way. He does not like the climate of Alaska and therefore concludes to sell.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

A boiler explosion occurred Wednesday afternoon at the Royal City mills at Vancouver, two men being killed and one seriously injured, G. Sully and Geo. Forbes being killed and Chas. Phillips slightly injured. The accident occurred during the lunch hour, when over 100 men were away. The boiler was blown sixty yards and the engine house wrecked. Five men standing close to the boiler miraculously escaped unhurt. The big smokestack fell on the blacksmith shop in which were a few men but all escaped injury, although the building was wrecked. Forbes was a nephew of Sully, and his mother lived in Vancouver, his father being away in the Boundary creek district.

To Klondike By Bicycle.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—Cyclist J. A. Brogiel left the corner of Washington and La Salle streets at 9 o'clock this morning, bound for the Klondike via El Paso, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle. Brogiel is an honorably discharged United States soldier. He expects to arrive in Seattle about the middle of February.

The only route which can possibly be attemped by a bicycle is the Ashcroft route.

New York Elections.

The most sensational political campaign in the history of New York ended Monday night. Not a day for the past month has been void of exciting intersts. Croker, Tammany's old leader, assumed the management of the Tammany candidate and succeeded in electing his man Robert A. Van Wyck, by a plurality of 65,000.

Over $20,000 in duty has been collected at Tagish lake by Canadian Customs officers from men who bought goods in the United States. Men who did not have the money, paid the duty in labor. Speaking of the exemption from duty of 100 pounds of miners' outfit, the Hon. Mr. Sifton said that the officers were treating the men just as they would treat people entering Canada from any other point. A man's personal baggage, that is, clothing in use, or that had been used, is not taxed, but on everything else they have to pay duty.

RICH CASSIAR.

Among the passengers on the Atlantic express on Wednesday were Charles F. and Mrs. Law, of Vancouver, who are en route to England, says the Winnipeg Free Press. Mr. Law is the manager of the Golden Province mines of Quesnelle, in the Cariboo district, and is en route to the old country to organize a syndicate for mining operations in British Columbia. He has just returned, a month ago, from a prospecting tour along the headwaters of the Yukon, west of the Cassiar mountains, and carries with him specimens of dust and quartz that demonstrate the richness of the country. One of the nuggets is the largest ever seen in this city, and is heavier and considerably more valuable than the specimen in possession of Pat Galvin, and found in the Klondike fields. It weighs 36 ounces, and is valued at $700. "These new gold fields are the richest in the world," said Mr. Law, "and the yellow metal is of a superior quality to that found in the Klondike region. The new fields are comparatively easy of access." Mr. Law proceeded up the Stickine river to Telegraph Creek, and from that point followed the old Cassiar trail to the eastern watershed of the Yukon, between Teslin lake and Dease lake. The are placer deposits gold, and underneath the gravel is rich quartz, and in evidence of this the gentleman exhibits specimens of gold in quartz matrix, from which it originally came. Mr. Law believes there will be a great rush of placer miners into this district, and this will be followed by quartz mining. The projected route of the C.P.R. service into the Yukon will be of material aid in reaching the new fields, as that enterprise contemplates to run a railway from Telegraph Creek to Teslin lake, and from this last point prospectors will have no great difficulty in reaching the gold fields of northern British Columbia. Speaking of his explorations on the trip, Mr. Law, expressed the opinion that the Cassiar range was the source of supply of the gold in the placer districts of the Klondike, and that there was a ledge extending 400 miles through the country, and would be found to be rich in quartz. Since returning from his northern tour, Mr. Law visited the Cariboo district, and says there are still rich deposits in the territory. He points out that in the early rush to the Cariboo prospectors only worked along the eastern slope of the range of mountains, while the new fields, spoken of in this interview, are located on the western slope. Mr. Law's syndicate will operate in the new gold fields on the west slope of the Cassiar range, where rise the waters that drain into Teslin lake and form the source of the Yukon river, a district more accessable than the Klondike, and which will be tapped by the C.P.R. next year. "These new discoveries, combined with the continued rush into the Yukon," said Mr. Law, "will have a material influence in the building up of Victoria and Vancouver as commercirl centres, and this improved business will spread and be falt throughout the Dominion."

Fire at Vernon.

The News office was completely burned out on Thursday afternoon. All of the employees were out when the fire started, and when it was discovered it was bursting through the windows and roof. The Vernon News was to have moved into its large new block on Friday. The loss on plant and stock will be $5,000; insurance in the Royal company $3,000. The building was owned by the townsite company, and the loss on it is about $1,000. It is insured. Wulffsohn & Bewicke's block, which was only about 20 feet from th News building, caught fire several times, but the brigade, with the citizens, managed with the fire engine to quench the blaze. The damage to the Wulffson & Bewicke building will be about $200. It is covered by insurance.

The Klondike Social.

The Klondike and basket social held in the town hall Monday evening, November 1st, in aid of the funds for the repairs to, and the purchase of an organ for, the Presbyterian church, was one of the most successful entertainments ever held in Ashcroft, both socially and financially. The whole affair was novel and unique. Three routes, the Ashcroft, Dyea and proposed Kamloops, to the Klondike gold fields were selected and three boys with packs on their backs, representing prospectors starting out. The prospectors on the Dyea and proposed Kamloops routes, meeting with many difficulties, had to turn back and go over the only route, the Ashcroft, reaching the gold fields in good time. At the gold fields were several boys with uniforms and guns, representing the mounted police. The claims were all marked out and anyone buying a miners' license could secure admittance and if lucky in his claim would get a prize.

Another interesting part of the evening's fun was the sale of the lunch baskets by auction. Mr. James Haddock made a first-class auctioneer, and kept the baskets going. A little rivalry in a few of the baskets made some of the gay gallants to send the price up to a pretty good figure. Lots of fun was had by all the boys in the bidding and they all came out pretty good in the shape of grub and partners.

The programme during the evening was short and very good, Mrs. P. G. Campbell excelling herself in a couple of Scotch songs.

After lunch, the singing of "God Save the Queen" closed the evening's entertainment.

The proceeds amounted to $72.

The Skating Rink.

All those interested in the skating rink are requested to meet at the Recreation Club today at 12:45 to discuss business matters connected with the rink. It is hoped that as large a crowd turns out at this meeting as there does on the rink when the ice is good. With a little work on the rink before the ground freezes it can be put in first class condition and thereby save money during the winter months. A committee will be appointed to look after affairs, and those who are not on the committee, but who wish to have good ice, should get in and do a little work occasionally besides kicking. The committee last year fulfilled their duties admirably, and it was through them that there was so much good skating during the season. The rink is kept up by funds subscribed by the people of town, and all those who have occasion to use it should not begrudge the small contribution asked for by the committee. This year by all pulling together and helping the committee, with the aid of fair weather, the rink should eclipse any former years. Be sure and attend the meeting at a quarter to one, this (Saturday) noon.

Mining Litigation.

Two cases in connection with local mining companies came up in the Supreme Court at Vancouver, Tuesday, before His Honor Judge Bole. The first was that of the Golden Cache Mines Limited vs. Mineral Point Mining Company. This suit is to decide the question of title to the Mineral Point mining claim. The present application is to add Messrs. R. H. Verity and William Wilkinson, of Brantford, Ont., as defendants, and decision was reserved.

The other case was in re Golden Eagle Syndicate and Golden Cache Mines, a petition having been presented by Dr. Carroll for the court to define his position as trustee of 100,000 shares in the Golden Cache Mines Limited. The case was adjourned to the 9th inst., leave being granted to examine on affidavits filed.

Response to Resolutions.

The following letters have been received by Mr. D. O'Hara, secretary of the public meeting held at Ashcroft on the 26th inst:

The Ranch, Monte Creek, Ducks, B.C.,
October 30th, 1897.

To Daniel O'Hara, Esq., Ashcroft.

Dear Sir: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th inst., enclosing resolutions endorsed by a public meeting. I will see that copies of the resolutions go forward to the respective ministers who are at the head of the departments which deal with the matters mentioned in each. I hope to persuade Mr. Sifton to stop off at Ashcroft, in which case I shall also be there and as soon as I know for certain that the minister is coming I will communicate with you. Yours sincerely,

HEWITT BOSTOCK.

Lands and Works Department.
Victoria, October 29th, 1897.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst., enclosing copy of resolutions passed at a public meeting held at Ashcroft. I will submit the same to the Executive Council at the earliest possible date. I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
To Daniel O'Hara, Esq., Ashcroft, B.C.

Hon. C. Sifton.

Hon. Clifford Sifton, Minister of the Interior passed through Ashcroft on Friday night, on his way east, after a several weeks visit to the north to get information about the Klondike gold fields. It was expected that he would be able to stop off a day with us, but as he could not spare the time, a delegation composed of James Haddock, H. W. Harvey and Daniel O'Hara met him at the station, and on being introduced by Colonel Wright, a written account of their wants was laid before the minister, as on account of the lateness of the hour it was considered better in this form Mr. Sifton treated the delegation very courteously and said that the wants of the district would receive his earnest attention. About the issuance of miner's licenses for the Northwest he said they would in all probability be issued at such points as Ashcroft. The delegation put considerable stress on the river improvements above Quesnelle, and the vast country it could open up for prospectors and large companies operating in the northern districts. With Mr. Sifton's aid and the information supplied him by the delegation, these necessary improvements will most likely receive quick attention at headquarters. Mr. Sifton continued on his journey as far as Revelstoke where he will meet Hewitt Bostock, M.P.

Four cars of cattle were shipped west from J. Wilson's ranch Tuesday to J. Hemans.

GROSSLY MISREPRESENTED.

The Spokesman-Review of October 28th, contains a long interview with Charles Driscoll, a prospector, who gives a description of the Cariboo and Omenica districts. Speaking of the route to Klondike, he says:

"One must get a better idea of the points on the route. For instance, there is the 150-Mile House that I see mentioned in the paper lately. It is really 173 miles from Ashcroft, and is not a house alone, but a small town. There are two hotels, two stores and two Hudson Bay pack trains that make two trips every summer into the Omenica mining district, going on the last of these trips as far as Stewart river.

"There is no feed for horses from Ashcroft to Forks of Quesnelle, which is the name the town goes by up north, not plain Quesnelle, nor Quesnelle Mouth, as one of your correspondents puts it. There is no grass along this part of the route of any consequence, as the country is taken up by ranches and all the grass land is fenced. One can stop at a house every night, however, and the price of a meal will be 50 cents, for either yourself or your horse. It will not be necessary to carry feed, but there is no use expecting to find grass along the way, and this fact should be emphasized, as exactly the contrary statement has been made.

"Forks of Quesnelle is quite a town and there the bulk of the outfitting should be done. There are five hotels and three outfitting stores, and the latter carry everything that a man needs to take into the mining regions. They have catered to this trade for years and are better acquainted with the needs of a miner than merchants down here can be. Food supplies are what I especially refer to. They are not much more expensive there than in Spokane.

"Our party started from Lytton, the Indian agency at the mouth of the Thompson river. We bought our horses there, paying $12 to $22 apiece for them. There were 26 men in the party, and beside each man's saddle horse, we had 52 pack animals. When we got to Forks of Quesnelle we found a steamer that took us across the river at small expense. From the Fraser to the north the country was grassy and the game plentiful. It is an ideal country in summer, and we enjoyed ourselves."

Any person who knows anything at all about the route and who has read the whole of the article cannot help but smile at the ignorance displayed by Driscoll and the untruths connected with it. The first thing, the distance of the 150-Mile House from Ashcroft is 135 miles, not 172, and is not a town but a ranch, owned by Messrs. Vieth & Borland, who run a hotel and general store in connection with it, and who own the pack train referred to. There is also a blacksmith and harness shop at this place, which is the central point for the whole country around. The reason that it is called the 150 is that in early days the distances were computed from Lillooet, which is 15 miles more distant from it than Ashcroft is, and when the road was changed to this place the road houses still retained their old names.

The towns of Quesnelle and Forks Quesnelle, Driscoll has got badly mixed. The town of Quesnelle is the place at which to cross the Fraser river for all points north, and there parties can get all the necessary supplies. To strike the Forks of Quesnelle the prospector would have to go out of his way over 100 miles, in a different direction altogether.

There is plenty of feed along the road during the summer months, as quite a number of teamsters "bunch grass" all the way up the road every year.

He also says that his party started from Lytton with 78 horses. We may state for Mr. Driscoll's benefit that there has not been that number of horses started from Lytton, since the railway was completed, for the upper country.

In 1887, Driscoll and a party, according to his story, spent some time in the Yukon, going in by Chilcoot pass, and came out with a few thousand dollars apiece. Speaking of the hardships he says:

"We rarely stepped outside our cabins, which were connected with each other by tunnels under the snow, can never be forgotten. The mosquitoes that swarmed in summer will linger, too, in memory. I have seen the mosquitoes on the headwaters of the Missouri, and I thought they were the most vicious in the world, but they don't compare to the Alaskan insect. I have seen them in such swarms that they obscured the sun, and no man could endure the torment that would follow the exposure of his skin to their fury for even the shortest time. We were well supplied with netting and so managed to escape them. The Indians of the interior are a child-like people. They warded off the mosquitoes by covering themselves from head to foot with mud."

His false reports cannot injure this country one iota, as anyone knowing anything about this district would judge, from his report, that Driscoll had never been in the country. We hope in the future that he will be a little more careful in the statements he makes to newspapers.

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Spokane To Klondike.

The development of Alaska will proceed along lines similar to those along which California, Oregon and Washington were built up. The first immigration to these states came almost entirely by sea. But when the real rush began, it was found, as is always the case, that water transportation could not keep pace with the demand. Capital is required to put on lines of boats, and capital is cautious, and prefers to await some development. Consequently the water routes to California and Oregon became congested, the accommodations were inferior, and the charges excessive. This set men to picking out overland routes. These were soon found, and over them poured the greater part of the movement.

Even with the present movement into Alaska, the water routes are incapable of meeting the demand for transportation, and to go to the Klondike, either by St. Michael's, Dyea or Skagway, when these routes are open, requires a small fortune.

The obstacles to overland traveling to the upper Yukon are trifling in comparison with the obstacles which beset the first overland immigrants to California. The latter had to face hostile Indians, to cross two great ranges of mountains, and to pass over desert wastes and for the greater part of the distance wood and water were scarce.

Spokane is nearer the Klondike than is St. Michael's, at the mouth of the Yukon. It lies in the same inter-mountain basin as the Yukon, and an overland route can be followed from this city to the gold fields which will be comparatively free from severe mountain climbing. Along this route wood and water are abundant. There is game in the forests and fish in the streams; and what is of importance to the prospector, there is abundant evidence to support the belief that the route for the greater part will follow the mining belt which geologists say extends from Mexico to Alaska. The experienced and successful prospector always wants new ground to prospect. Even if he were set down in the Klondike next summer, he would immediately set about searching for new mineral areas, and these are as likely to be found along the overland route from Spokane as in any other part of Alaska or the British possessions.

Spokane is the natural starting point for American prospectors taking the overland route by way of Ashcroft. It has direct rail connection with all parts of the Union. It has the supplies the prospector will want. From this point he can proceed quickly by rail and steamer to Ashcroft, or he can buy his horses here and go overland the entire distance.

It would be ill-advised to urge men to attempt this route in winter, with the present condition of the trail. But it will be another matter next summer, when the route has been opened up by advance parties, and the weather for the entire distance will be as pleasant and the spring as early as in the New England states.

There are possibilities in this overland route which the business men of Spokane can not afford to neglect.—Spokesman-Review.

Edison's Latest Invention.

The Electrical Engineer, New York, publishes the first account of Mr. Thos. A. Edison's success in recovering by electrical means the iron in low grade ore. The inventor's experiments have been carried on during the past six years at the old Ogden iron mines, a few miles from Dover, N. J., where he has built up a plant covering several acres of ground and which after many experiments is now capable of producing daily from 1,000 to 1,500 tons of almost chemically pure iron. The ore worked contains on the average about 25 per cent. of iron, and resembles in appearance a very pure quality of grain rock. Mr. Edison states that there are 200,000,000 tons of this ore on the land immediately surrounding his plant, from which can be produced 50,000,000 tons of iron. His process, in brief, consists in blasting the ore from the mountain sides, and then by means of steam shovels and miniature cars, conveying it to massive crushers, where it is broken up and pressed on to other mills, where it is pulverised. The powder is then allowed to fall in close proximity to the electro-magnets, which deflect the iron to one side and the non-metallic matter falls to the other side by gravity. From the time the ore is blasted until it is resolved into this metallic form and compressed to briquetts for shipment, the process is entirely automatic.

The government advertisement calling for models of the proposed statue of the Queen to be erected in front of the Parliamentary buildings at Ottawa, restricts the offer to Canadian sculptors, but up to the present not a single one has been received from a Canadian artist. On the other hand several designs have been received from British artists. It is likely the government will have to remove some of the restrictions contained in the advertisement.

THE GOLDEN OMENICA.

Many years ago, when the discoveries in the Cassiar district attracted the men who had been mining in the shallow diggings of the Omenica to the more easily worked propositions of the newer country, a stillness as of death settled down upon Manson and Slate creek, where the deserted claims were the only remaining evidences of the riches which had been taken out. It was a long time before work was resumed, and it required the keen eye and excellent judgment of an experienced man to devise a plan whereby capital could be induced to invest in the attempt to exploit the deserted diggings in the hope of ultimate profit. Equally inaccessible as the Klondike, 600 miles from the nearest railway point, wrapped in impenetrable snow and ice for more than half the year, approachable only by means of a trail abandoned twenty years ago and used since then only by an occasional hunter, the Omenica country was admittedly not the most attractive field for investment. But the 43rd Mining & Milling company, composed principally of Ottawa capitalists, saw an opportunity, in spite of the many disadvantages, for profitable investment, and from Colonel Wright, the superintendent of the company, some information has been obtained which tends to show the faith the members of the company have in that little known region as a gold producing district.

Three years ago Colonel Wright went into the Omenica and located several hydraulic claims, and now the company own fifteen bench claims and eight creek claims on Manson and Slate creeks and Kildare gulch. Work has been actively carried on for two seasons, sixty men employed during the past summer, and three and a half miles ditching and two miles of flume have been built. The mere statement of these facts conveys to the average reader but a slight conception of the amount of work which has had to be done. It is necessary to go somewhat more fully into details. The task of taking a body of sixty men by trail and canoe a distance of six hundred miles, a journey occupying five weeks, the transportation of supplies sufficient to feed the men employed during the season, the conveyance of all the plant and material for the work, these things thought of for a moment will be seen to be undertakings of much more moment than is apparent at a glance. Forty thousand dollars, at a conservative estimate, has been invested up to the present time in the work on the 43rd company's property, and not a dollar has been taken out. Next season, however, with 5,000 inches of water from Manson creek, a supply which can be increased almost at will from the east branch of the creek and from Kildare gulch, Colonel Wright feels confident of returns being made from the hydraulic work which will prove the wisdom and profit-making nature of the investment.

Colonel Wright having come direct from the mineral country, reports that he met on his way out a party of engineers who have been sent in by the Dominion goverment to investigate and report upon the navigability of the Stuart river for steamboat traffic. Upon their report much will depend, for if, as is probable, light draught boats can get to Fort St. James, freight can be handled within 75 miles of the diggings on Manson creek, which means a reduction in freight charges to but a fraction of the present figure.

"The Omenica country," says Colonel Wright, "is most emphatically not a poor man's country, and although two old timers have been working for years on Manson and Lost creeks, the most noteworthy find to be recorded is that of a two and a half ounce nugget taken by a Mr. McKinnon out of the latter named creek."

On Slate creek the company are putting in a hydraulic elevator of the Evans design, made by the Risdon Iron Works of San Francisco, and it is confidently expected that good results will be obtained. The result of next season's work will be looked forward to with a great deal of interest, and if enterprise and hard work deserves success the 43rd company should have a goodly measure of it.

Colonel Wright will interview some members of the provincial government in the hope of inducing the government to do some much needed work in the Omenica. He will return to Ottawa for the winter, starting again in March from Ashcroft for the country of hardships and vast possibilities, which he has every hope will prove itself again in 1897 deserving of the name "The Golden Omenica."—Victoria Colonist.

Germany's Hoard of Gold.

A dispatch from Berlin to the Chicago Tribune, says that the thrice locked vaults of the Spandau fortress were opened a few days ago for the annual examination by the Secretary of the Treasury to see that the 800,000,000 in gold, which the Reinstag voted in 1871 as a fund for first expenses in the next great war, was all right. Baron von Thielman selected a few bags at random, counted the gold in them, counted the number of bags and weighed the whole amount. Some dozens of workmen were occupied for several hours in the grotesque mediaeval function. The sum eats up $3,000,000, interest yearly.

The tunnels of the world are estimated to number about 1,142, with a total length of 514 miles. There are about 1,000 railway tunnels, 12 subaqueous tunnels, 90 canal tunnels and 40 conduit tunnels, with aggregate lengths of about 350 miles.

St. Mary's Mission.

About fifty miles east of Vancouver, and close to the C.P.R., on a little eminence stands a neat little church. On each side of the church are two large buildings, plain but solid. The church and the two buildings form what is known as St. Mary's Mission. The large buildings are schools for Indians. In one the Oblate Fathers and Brothers have charge of the Indian boys; in the other the sisters of St. Ann train the Indian girls.

There are about seventy children gathered there from the different Indian tribes of the lower Fraser. Nearly thirty years has this mission been founded, and ever since some native children have been instructed there.

Quite a variety of the girls' plain and fancy work was exhibited at the Westminster exhibition in 1895, and the specimens were awarded seven first and two second prizes.

Out of school hours the boys learn to till the farm. They are also taught shoemaking and carpentry. They have a nice brass band. Although quite young they have attained fair proficiency. They were great favorites during the Westminster exhibition. Everybody liked to see the dusky youngsters in their crack callors' suits marching in the processions in splendid step under Brother Collins' direction. They were chosen to play at the station when Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Aberdeen arrived. They played again at St. Mary's Hospital, when Lady Aberdeen visited that institution. They played also the other day when Hon. Clifford Sifton, Minister of the Interior, went down to the coast.

Today Rev. Father Chirouse is Superior of St. Mary's Indian boarding school, and with him are Rev. Fathers Richard, Bedard, Whelan and Picotty, and Bros. Collins, Mansfield, Guillet and Buckingham.—Missionary Record.

Lower Nicola Notes.

On the 18th inst., Constable Cancellor passed through town in search of the escaped prisoners Louis and Shap, of Lytton. They had eluded him in some way and he passed on ahead of of them. After several days of fruitless search he was about to return to Lytton without his men, when they unexpectedly turned up at the courthouse at Nicola Lake and gave themselves up to the authorities, and were conveyed back to headquarters at Lytton by Mr. Cancellor. We were glad to see them again in the hands of the authorities, as they are a bad pair and no doubt a few good lashes mingled with their sentences would be very wholesome fare for the likes of these, whose only object is to get good grub in the prisons, and nine times out of ten are worse when their term has expired than they were at first.

Teacher—Name six animals of the frigid zone. Tommy.—Four polar bears and two seals.—Detroit Free Press.

The Clever expert.—Is this the skull of a man or woman?" inquired the prosecuting attorney of the famous expert. "It is a woman's skull," replied the anatomist. "How do you know? "By the worn appearance of the jaws.

"Now," said the attorney for the defence, "here's a skull. Can you tell us to what species it belongs? "It's the skull of a lawyer," replied the expert witness. "How can you tell?" "By the cheek bones."

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NOTICE.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned for driving a one hundred foot tunnel on the Mineral Point claim, on Cayoosh creek, at the discovery post, also for extending present tunnel one hundred feet.

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LAND NOTICE.

Sixty days after date we intend to apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to purchase 160 acres of pasture land near 9-Mile Lake, on 150-Mile House and Horsefly road, which is more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a stake marked initial stake, near east end of lake, and running east forty chains, thence north forty chains, thence south forty chains, thence west forty chains to point of commencement.

VEITH & BORLAND.
19-28

NOTICE.

MINERAL POINT MINERAL CLAIM, situate in Lillooet Mining Division of Lillooet District.

Where located.—Cayoosh Creek.

Take notice that we, R. H. Verity and Wm. Wilkinson, free miner's certificate No. 46,040 and 46,047, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

R. H. VERITY,
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Places below, Roads branch from 150-mile House but the distances are from Ashcroft.

Big Lake	159
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Take notice that I, Alfred H. Chaldecott, acting as agent for the Oriole Syndicate Limited (foreign) Free Miner's certificate No. 50844A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 30th day of August, 1897.

A. H. CHALDECOTT.
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NOTICE.

EAGLE'S NEST and BLUE PETE mineral claims, situate in the Lillooet mining district.

Where located: On South side Seaton Lake.

Take notice that the Golden Eagle Mountain Gold Mining company, Limited Liability, free miner's certificate No. 6050A intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 16th day of Sept, 1897. 20-31

NOTICE.

EXCELSIOR mineral claim, situate in Lillooet mining division of Lillooet district.

Where located:—Cayoosh creek.

Take notice that The Excelsior Gold Mining Company, Ltd. Liability, Free Miner's certificate No. 6,203A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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S. TINGLEY,
83-Mile House, B.C., Oct. 5, 1897. 2327

Lillooet District.

A court of revision and appeal, under the "Assessment Act 1888" and amendments, will be held at the court house, Clinton, on Wednesday the 10th day of November 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

F. SOUES.
25. Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal, Clinton, October 18th, 1897.

TABLE.

Showing the Dates and Places of Courts of Assize, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery for the Year 1897.

FALL ASSIZES.

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Richfield	Monday...27th September.
Kamloops	Monday...4th October.
Lytton	Friday ...8th October.
Vernon	Monday...11th October.
New Westminster	Tuesday..2nd November
Vancouver	Monday...8th November.
Victoria	Tuesday..16th November.
Nanaimo	Tuesday..23rd November.

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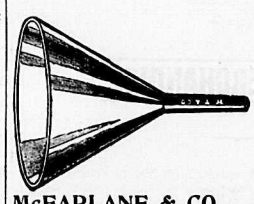

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OVERLAND VIA ASHCROFT.

The MINING JOURNAL is in receipt of many letters and telegrams of inquiry regarding the overland route to Teslin Lake from Ashcroft. This article is published so that a copy of the MINING JOURNAL sent in reply will answer the majority of the inquiries. Those wishing detailed information from week to week can find it by reading the paper regularly.

1st. Ashcroft is on the railroad line 202 miles east of Vancouver, the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

2nd. From Ashcroft to Quesnelle, 220 miles, there is a first-class wagon road, open the year round, and at Quesnelle there is a ferry on which the Fraser river can be crossed. An overland trail leads from there to Hazleton, the distance being not far from 300 miles, and a good trail. From Hazleton to Telegraph Creek, on the Stickeen river, the trail has not been very much used of late years, but is passable, and the government has promised to have it put in first-class shape early in the spring. The distance from Hazleton to Telegraph Creek is said to be 240 miles by the old Dease Lake trail, and somewhat shorter by a cut-off trail. From Telegraph Creek to Teslin Lake it is 135 miles over a good trail. The total distance from Quesnelle, where the overland trail begins, is therefore about 675 miles. These figures are not given as absolute, but approximate. You can leave Ashcroft about April 15th to May 1st, on grass, and leave Quesnelle May 1st, but you may require, if leaving this early, to pack a small supply of oats for the first few days after leaving Quesnelle.

3rd. The trail is good from Ashcroft to Teslin Lake. A few days after leaving Quesnelle there is a great abundance of peavine and blue joint, making splendid food for stock. Lumber can be gotten at Teslin Lake for boats, and the trip down Teslin Lake and the Hootalinqua river to Dawson is easy. The only rapids of any account is the Five Finger rapids of the Yukon, which can be run by good boatmen with safety. There are hundreds of miles of unexplored ground near the overland trail known to be rich. It is believed that mines of great value will be found in this unexplored section, and as it is in British Columbia, where laws are enforced and there is no reservation of alternate claims, there is no royalty as in the Northwest Territory. The line between British Columbia and the Northwest Territory is the 60th degree, crossing the north end of Teslin Lake. Horses and outfits can be bought at any part of the Cariboo road from Ashcroft to Quesnelle. For detailed information regarding prices write to the advertisers in this paper. Game is found in fair quantities, and fish in every lake and stream in abundance Flies and mosquitoes are troublesome for a few weeks. Horses cost from $15 to $30 each. A magazine will be issued by the MINING JOURNAL as soon as the report of its special correspondent, Surveyor J. D. Devereaux, who is now mapping the trail, is received. It is hoped that this information will be received so that the book and map can be issued early in November. The illustrations are now being engraved in Chicago.

Henry George Dead.

New York, October 29.—Henry George died at the Union Square Hotel about 5 o'clock this morning, after speaking at several campaign meetings last evening.

Mr. George returned to the hotel about 1 o'clock. He ate a light supper and immediately retired. About 3:30 this morning he awoke and complained of suffering severe pains. He then became unconscious, from which he did not again recover. Apoplexy is given as the cause.

He was a candidate for the mayoralty of New York city and had made a hard fight up to last. His son Henry George jr., was nominated to take his father's place.

Henry George was styled the "workingman's friend" and has devoted his life to the cause. In the early days during the Fraser river excitement he lived a short time in Victoria where he conducted a store for his brother.

Although the formation of auriferous lodes has in most instances been extremely slow, it is evident that gold, under certain conditions, may be deposited in appreciable quantities within comparatively short periods.

When gelatinous silica, obtained by the decomposition of an alkaline aurosilicate, is heated to redness in a current of steam it assumes either a beautiful, unalterable rose color, or a reddish tint with visible grains of gold, according to the proportion of precious metal present, and the conditions under which the precipitation has been effected.

Says the Newport Pilot: It has been proposed by some of the mining men and newspapers in British Columbia to have the mining laws changed so that before a mineral location is allowed to be recorded one hundred dollars worth of assessment should be completed. The objection to this proposal is that it would discourage prospecting. The prospector is a most useful factor in the initial development of any mineral region; without his efforts progress must be slow, and if all he does is to hunt up locations, he has done a service that is worthy of substantial reward. That he should have a year in which to try to induce some one else with more capital than he to go on and do the work, is not too much—it is indeed an encouragement that is in the highest degree worth bestowal.

Application will be made at the next session of Parliament at Ottawa for an act to incorporate a company to build a railway from Rossland to Arrow Lake, Okanagan Lake and the city of Vancouver, and also to build branch lines.

The traveller in China will notice that the women do not wear their hair in queues. The reason for this is that it is the general belief that the women will not go to Paradise. The yellow men declare that their wives and daughters have no souls.

The United States Supreme Court today refused to grant a writ of habeas corpus in the case of Henry Craemer, who is under sentence of death for murder in the State of Washington, affirming the decision of the Washington Circuit Court in refusing to interfere.—Seattle P. I.

Cats are to be dropped from the German military establishment; they have now an allowance of $4.50 a year apiece for training, medical care, food and badges. They are employed to protect the depots of military stores from mice. Prof. Loffler, however, having discovered a typhus bacillus fatal to mice, this will be substituted for the cats.

In cases, chiefly surface lodes, where sulphines are not present, signs of their former existence are usually evident from the appearance of the gangue. Auriferous quartz in such cases is generally corroded, pierced with holes and cavities corresponding to ancient crystals, or else traversed with certain ochreous veinlets, or stained and mottled by oxide or iron.

Cortes obtained in Mexico five emeralds of wonderful size and beauty. One was like a rose, another in the shape of a horn, a third in that of a fish with diamond eyes, a fourth like a bell with a pearl for a clapper; the fifth was a cup with a foot of gold, and with four little chains, each ended with a large pearl. He had also two emerald vases, worth 300,000 crowns each.

The late Lord Eldon had occasion to discharge a coachman whom he suspected of purloining his coin.

In a few days after he received a letter from a merchant inquiring into the man's character, and his lordship's reply was that he was sober and a good coachman, but he entertained suspicions that he had cheated him.

The man came next morning to return thanks to his lordship for procuring him so excellent a place.

"My master," he said, "was content to find that I was sober and a good coachman, but as to cheating your lordship, he thought the devil himself could not do it."

The occurrence of gold unaccompanied by any signs of pyrites or sulphides is explained by assuming the presence of a small quantity of easily soluble ferrous sulphate as the precipitating agent. But in most cases, if carefully studied, it is often possible to to distinguish a system of reticulated veins of a different tinge corresponding doubtless to a fissuration of the gelatinous silica and the concentration of the gold with some traces of sulphides of iron; very frequently these colored streaks are nearly parallel with the apparent lines of deposition of the quartz. While, therefore, auriferous quartz is, as a rule, seamy, stained, mottled and of a hyaline character, at times rose colored in the upper parts and blue in the deep portions of the veins; the pure milky or chalcedonous quartz is nearly always sterile. It is said, however, that gold has been found in a flaky white rock in Australia.

At Greenwich, Conn., is now to be seen in operation under the supervision of the inventor, H. Van Hoevenberg, a motor carriage running upon a highway, propelled by force taken from wires which are supported by poles along the side of the road. By an ingenious device the trolley, or rather a flexible metallic cable attached to the carriage, is conducted along the circuit wire in such a way that two trolley vehicles may pass each other, and each may turn round or pass from one side of the street to the other at the pleasure of the driver. Free from the bondage of a railway track, and the tyranny of the dispatcher and switchtender, the electric stage coach may stop and start when it likes, calling for passengers at their doors, on either side of the road, and rolling merrily along the highway, regardless of wind, snow or ice, its only limitation being the poles and wires which give it motion.

Messrs. Crage and Brewster returned from the Roseberry mine on Carnes creek on Sunday morning, says the Revelstoke Herald. Mr. Brewster reports that in running the lower tunnel, a ledge, of which the existence was unsuspected, has been struck. The ore is of very promising appearance. The development to date on the mine consists of an upper tunnel run on the lead for 98 feet and two crosscuts at the end of 30 feet each way, and a lower tunnel on which the working party are operating now and which is in 68 feet. This was run to cut the lead, with a view of running along it again to the starting point of the upper tunnel, and the discovery of ore just made in the course of running it before the main ledge was reached was therefore not in the calculations. Mr. Brewster is well satisfied with the result of this season's operations on the Roseberry and every indication points to the fact that the company have secured a most valuable property in the claim.

How Cold Metals Sometimes Mix.

Professor Roberts-Austen's discoveries on the subject of the interdiffusibility of metals is most interesting reading, says the Colliery Guardian. The facts have been to some extent known to savants before the meeting of the Royal Society, at which more public attention was drawn, but on that occasion the results were made more clear. It was then shown that solid metals may be made to mix themselves as if the atoms were living creatures.

Professor Roberts-Austen has, in fact, discovered pieces of metal engaged in the very act of mixing themselves up one with the other. Of course the interest of this is that the interdiffusion of which we speak has been found to take place when the metals were cold, and, though this property in metals to be capable of attaching themselves one to the other when cold has been talked about before, nothing so clearly proved has hitherto been at the service of the metallurgists and chemists as the facts adduced by Professor Roberts-Austen. He shows that when clean surfaces of lead and gold are held together in the absence of air at a temperature of 40 degrees for 4 days they unite firmly and can only be separated by a force equal to one-third of the breaking strain of the lead. The professor has also proved that if a plate of gold be laid under one of lead about three-tenths of an inch thick in three days gold will have risen and diffused itself to the top of the other metal in a very appreciable quantity.

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G. C. TUNSTALL,
Gold Commissioner.

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Kamloops, October 20th, 1897.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Several petty robberies have taken place here during the past week.

Several car loads of Ashcroft potatoes have been shipped west in the past week.

E. Choate, superintendent of the bridge department, C. P. R., was in town the first of the week.

Monday's stage to Lillooet took the following passengers: William Halymore, A. B. Gray and H. Atwood.

Miss Northcotte, of Victoria, a sister of Mrs. E. Bowron, of Quesnelle, went up on Monday's stage on a visit.

O. Warner went up on the stage Monday to make arrangements for the tying up of the steamer Charlotte in her winter quarters.

D. H. Anderson, of Quesnelle, who came down last week with the prisoner Williams, to the Kamloops jail, returned home Monday morning.

The winter service on the Okanagan branch of the C. P. R. went into effect yesterday. Trains now leave Sicamous Monday, Wednesday and Saturd y.

Mr. Thomas Crosby, president of the Methodist Conference in British Columbia will lecture in the Town hall on Tuesday, Nov. 9th. Subject. "Experiences of a Missionary."

F. W. Foster is having an addition built on the rear of his large general store at Ashcroft to be used for the millinery and dressmaking department of his establishment.

Claims are still being sold in Lillooet of Bridge river property and a few of the prospectors have a winter grub stake. Business is pretty lively and from the appearance of things in general it will keep up.

Miss Blanche Hall will leave in a few days for Clinton, where she will be employed in F. W. Foster's store in connection with office work. Miss Hall has many friends in Ashcroft and they will be pleased to hear of her success at Clinton.

Monday night or Tuesday morning some of the boys who were out on a time, broke one of the panes of glass in the bow window of the new annex of the Ashcroft hotel. The people who cut up late at night should be more careful in the future as tricks of this kind put people to great inconvenience.

Chas. A. Semlin, leader of the opposition in the Provincial legislature, is on a tour of the Kootenay districts, accompanied by F. C. Cotton, M. P. P., of Vancouver, to enlighten themselves on the needs of the country. The opposition party are confident of success at the next election.

Smith & Bryson, general blacksmith, etc., received this week per C. P. R. a car load of new sleighs and wagons for the Cariboo trade. They have a full assortment of both kinds of sleighs and wagons for freighting and farm use. See their stock before purchasing elsewhere, as they can quote you prices which will suit any person.

The Lillooet people are well satisfied with the postal facilities now in force there, the transferring of the post office and inaugurating the money order business, which is now fully established, and so far as Lillooet is concerned is now on an equal footing with other important towns in British Columbia. The semi-weekly mail service between Ashcroft and Lillooet direct is very much appreciated.

John A. Murray of the firm of Hurley & Murray, proprietors of the Hotel Victoria at Lillooet came in on Tuesday's stage and went up to Kamloops the same evening to visit his old friend Alex. McLean, formerly champion oarsman of British Columbia, and who "Johnny" trained for years. He reports business good and is very enthusiastic over the late strikes made in the Bridge river section. The addition to the Hotel Victoria is about completed and the furniture, etc., is all ready to be put in. Mr. Murray returned home yesterday.

Large numbers of letters are being received daily by the merchants and at this office asking for information concerning the Ashcroft route to the Yukon. All available news at hand is sent these enquirers and without a doubt the crowd that will go in via Ashcroft will surprise everybody in this vicinity as the number will be twice what is anticipated. The trail will be gone over as early as possible and the government will do what is necessary to have it put in condition. The river improvements for which an appropriation will be made, will be most likely passed by an order in council, work will then be able to be pushed ahead this year and early next spring. The telegraph officials in selecting the Ashcroft route shows its feasibility as they have thoroughly looked into the routes with the intention of seeing which was the best for the laying of the wire. This means that as soon as capital takes things in hand a railway will be built from Ashcroft connecting the proposed railway from Telegraph creek to Teslin lake. The distances, cost, etc., of the railway survey, of building a road up the Bonaparte has been published in other issues of the JOURNAL and is approved of by all surveyors and engineers who have investigated the different surveys and routes.

J. B. Quinn of Bridge Creek was registered at the Ashcroft hotel Thursday.

A few more necessary improvements have been made around the C. P. R. station house.

Yesterday, November 5th, was the anniversary of the Gunpowder Plot, Guy Fawkes' day.

The dance proposed by the young people will take place in the town hall on Monday evening next.

Chas. Pennie and Mrs. Pennie of Penniesto n spent Sunday and Monday in town visiting friends.

S. Tingley will build an office on his property behind the B. X. office for his own use. Work will be commenced in a few days.

J. McPhee's road gang and J. Eaton's carpenters outfit moved west to Spence's Bridge this week, where they will do some work.

The foundation for the Methodist church is being prepared on Bancroft street and work will be commenced shortly on the building.

Milton Clements, for the past few months connected with the B. X. stables at Hat Creek, is now employed at Trim & Haddock's livery stable.

J. R. Greenfield, of the post office inspector's staff, came over from Lillooet last Saturday evening where he had been transferring the post office business.

Mr. J. R. Vicars has assumed the duties of Provincial Jail warden, in place of W. J. Norfolk, who has filled the position temporarily since O. S. Bachelor resigned.

Mrs. Foster and the Misses Foster, and F. W. Foster, jr., came down from Clinton Saturday and left the same evening for Victoria to spend the next few months at their winter residence there.

L. M. Lapointe, the well-known cattle man, has just completed the purchase in eastern Oregon of about 5,000 sheep. These will be fed there and brought over to the coast in carload lots as desired.

Mrs. Bowron, wife of John Bowron gold commissioner of Cariboo, came down on Tuesday's stage accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Moody, from the 83-Mile House, where she had gone to meet her, on their way to Victoria to visit relatives.

C. C. Westfold and A. McNaught, engineers, who have been looking at the obstructions in the Fraser river above Quesnelle returned Tuesday evening by stage and left the same night for the west, where they will make their report to the government.

A. F. Webber, who lately sold his stock at the 83-Mile House, is in town, having straightened up his business affairs and will probably leave for Denmark about Tuesday night with his children. He will most likely return to this country in a short time.

James Francis, who was hurt a couple months ago, in the Rose Gulch hydraulic mine near Quesnelle Forks, by a slide, came down on the stage Tuesday and went to the coast where he will receive medical attendance. In the accident he had eight ribs and his leg broken in two places. He received all the medical aid possible at the Forks.

D. Murphy, barrister, etc., has opened up business in Ashcroft, having his office in the front of the new annex of the Ashcroft hotel. Mr. Murphy is an old timer in this part of the country, and his abilities as a lawyer well known to the public. Mrs. Murphy, who has been at the coast for some time through illness, is slowly recovering.

Mr. P. Barnhardt, who until a few weeks ago was a conductor on the C. P. R., has leased the Belle Vue Hotel at Mission City from Mr. Windebank, and assumed charge of that well-known hostelry on Monday last, the 1st., inst. Mr. Barnhardt, it will be remembered, was in charge of the first train that steamed into Vancouver on May 23, 1887, and has a large circle of friends here who will wish him success in his new venture.—News-Advertiser.

Wm. Rogers, who is known all along the Cariboo road, and who made a trip up to Quesnelle with Harry Strout's ox-team lately, is in town suffering from a sore eye. While hunting for the cattle in the brush up the road he ran against a spruce branch which struck him in the eye, causing considerable pain. Everything possible was done for him, relieving the pain somewhat, but he has not been able to use the sight of his eye since. He will go to the coast in a few days to consult an occulist. His many friends hope that he will not lose the sight of his eye.

R. H. Campbell and son came down on the stage Tuesday from Barkerville, where Mr. Campbell had been setting up the elevators for the Cariboo Gold Fields Company. This company will be able to commence operations the first thing next season. The deep channel diggings in the Horsefly, which Mr. Campbell has been superintending are still successful so far as they have gone and he is well pleased with the results. Next spring work will be commenced again and success is hoped for on all sides. Mr. Campbell left for the coast, where he will spend a few days before going to California for the winter.

A few of the boys celebrated Hallowen in town, as was quite noticeable Monday morning.

D. O'Hara was up at Kamloops and Ducks interviewing Hewitt Bostock, M. P., this week. Mr. Bostock will likely visit Ashcroft the first of the week.

The Interior department at Ottawa has adopted "Klondike," as the official spelling for the famous river. "Stickine" will be the correct spelling hereafter, instead of "Stickeen."

Mr. Brigham of San Francisco, who has spent some time in the Horsefly and Forks Quesnelle, looking at the mining operations going on, returned Tuesday night and left for the west.

Friday morning the snow fall at Barkerville was 14 inches and still snowing; Quesnelle had a light shower of rain; Soda Creek fine weather, and at the 150-Mile House two inches of snow.

Col. Wright returned from the coast last night, where he had been for the past week. He interviewed Hon. Clifford Sifton and explained the necessary improvements that the district needed.

G. Gillespie, of the bank of B. C., and Messrs. Bannister and Davridge of Vancouver, spent about a week at the 70-Mile House on a shooting expedition, returning Wednesday evening by special.

For the convenience of the public and until such time as private boxes are placed in the post office, the office will be open every Sunday morning for the distribution of mail matter only, from 10 to 10.30 o'clock.

J. Hunter, who has been teaming on the Cariboo road for some time, shipped his teaming outfit this week to the point of construction of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway. The outfit consisted of two carloads.

John C. Woods and party left Ashcroft this week with about eight horses on a prospecting trip. The party will spend most of the winter in the vicinity of Chimney creek and will proceed thence to the Omenica and Cassiar districts.

The B. X. stage line will only run one through stage a week to Barkerville for the rest of the winter, leaving every Monday morning. The steamer Charlotte is laid up for the winter and stages will run between Soda Creek and Quesnelle.

J. C. Cruse, station agent at Savonas is at the coast this week on his holidays, and will take in the Sound cities also. Mr. Wood is relieving him of his duties during his absence. Mrs. Cruse left about a week ago with her mother for the Northwest, where they will visit for awhile.

J. Patterson, who prospected for quite a while around Ashcroft, last summer, and who owns a couple of claims in the Highland valley, returned Friday from a few months' trip in the vicinity of Quesnelle Forks. He goes to the coast in a few days with the intention of disposing of his Highland valley property.

Joe Pelletier, alias "Cariboo Joe," and W. Little, who stole a band of horses last week from near Kamloops, belonging to Vic and others, and started for the States with them, were arrested over in the Granite Creek country and brought back to Kamloops. Great credit is due to the provincial officers who effected their capture.

Robert Stevenson, of the Granite Creek Mining Company, was up before the magistrate at Nicola last week on a charge laid by H. Hunter, assessor at Granite Creek, of not furnishing information of the amount of gold taken out in the washup of the company's ground during May and September. Mr. Stevenson furnished the desired information to the magistrate.

Walter Byron, who assaulted and robbed a chinaman near Ladner's Landing last week, and who escaped from Constable Bullock-Webster while being taken to jail, was arrested Wednesday by Constable Burr and Detective Sutherland about seven miles east of Ashcroft and brought to town. Constable Marquette of Mission came up and took the prisoner down to Westminster Thursday night.

L. G. Burns, provincial constable at Lillooet, passed through town last Saturday evening on his way to Vancouver, to complete a deal on some mineral claims which he owns on Bridge river. The offer was $25,000. Besides these claims he also owns several others which are equally as good. He had some fine samples which he exhibited to a few while in town. Mr. Burns' many friends will be pleased to hear of his good luck.

The Hon. G. B. Martin, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, has made a donation of $5 to the Kamloops Football Club, and has promised a silver cup to be competed for by the football clubs of the Interior. Football is essentially a winter's game and when once it gets to be understood by the players, is sure to take a firm hold. The fact that a cup has been promised is sure to put enthusiasm into many of the surrounding clubs, and next year we may safely say that football will be one of the recognised games of the Interior. Some hard contests will be fought for the cup.—Sentinel.

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Work on the Golden River Quesnelle dam near the Forks is cutting down its staff of men for the winter.

Captain Scott, of Princeton, has gone to the old country in connection with the Anglo-American Mining Company's business of Similkameen.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company's earnings for the week ending October 31st were $853,000; for the same week last year, $790,000.

N. Clark Wallace, M.P. for West York, and grand master of the Orange Association of Canada, is at present visiting Kamloops looking at the mining properties in which he is interested.

The report is published at Ottawa that Mr. W. W. McInnes, M.P., of Nanaimo, is likely to resign his seat in the Dominion Parliament and enter local politics as a member of Premier Turner's cabinet.

George Adams, who was for years C. P. R. baggage-man on the express train, and who left for the Klondike gold fields during the rush was drowned in some of the rivers of that district. He was well known all along the railway.

One of the police patrols sent to survey the overland route from Edmonton has forwarded his report to Ottawa to the effect that the trail is practically impassible from fallen timber and a large stretch of alkali country.

W. S. Gore and wife came in from Big Bar Saturday afternoon where he had been superintending the construction of the dredge recently built there. It is running first rate at present and about a dozen men are still retained around the dredger. The success of this dredger will be a great epoch in the history of Cariboo.

The death occurred Tuesday at New Westminster of Flora Ross, who for many years past has been matron of the provincial asylum for the insane in that city. Mrs. Ross was formerly a resident of Victoria, the Ross family having large interests there. The funeral will take place at New Westminster.

The Atlantic mail business was settled today. The Beaver Line gets the contract for £500 for each weekly trip from Liverpool to St. John, calling at Halifax coming and going. The amount is the same as the Allans have been receiving. The only possibility of a hitch being likely to arise is that the Canadian Pacific, which is working with the Beaver Line, objects to Halifax as a port of call.

Andrew Onderdonk, the well-known railway contractor, narrowly escaped losing his life in the terrible accident to the New York Central express near Poughkeepsie, on the Hudson, last week. He was proceeding from Montreal to New York, but, for some reason got off north of Albany. The sleeping car in which he had his berth was submerged and every passenger in it either killed or drowned. Mr. Onderdonk has had a few close calls, but this may rank as the closest of all. Mr. Onderdonk had the contract of building the Canadian Pacific from the coast to Kamloops and is well known to old timers along the railway.

G. E. Johnson, proprietor of the Cargile House, was over to Lillooet last week on a visit.

"Go it, Vancouver and Victoria! One of you may be the Liverpool and the other the London of Canada, but without us, the Newcastle of Canada, you can do nothing—you'd freeze."—Nanaimo Review.

Freight Shipments.

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

Oct. 20,	F Maxwell, Quesnelle	8,000
" 30,	Scott & Focault, Bark & Ques.	15,650
" 30,	G Adams, Lillooet	3,945
Nov. 1,	J Lanihan, 150	12,800
" 1,	H C Rayson & Co, 150	8,500
" 1,	W Hautier, Ques & Soda Cr.	12,000
" 2,	J M Yorston, Lillooet	1,895
" 3,	G Adams, Lillooet	4,400
" 3,	R Yorston, Lillooet	3,015
" 3,	M Killam, Soda Creek	3,264
" 3,	M Burns, Clinton	2,000
" 4,	D McLeod, 150	11,500
" 4,	J Gannon, Clinton	5,383
" 4,	P Garrigan, Pavillion	2,000
" 4,	J Jackman, Churn Creek	1,200
" 4,	W Skilligan, Ques Forks	7,000
" 4,	W Patrick, 158	7,000
	Total	114,740

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Notice is hereby given that all debts owing to the estate of the late Louis Morgan must be paid to me on or before November 27th, 1897. All parties having claims against the said estate will please send them in to me duly certified on or before said date.

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