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OMENICA GOLD.

Further evidence of the prevalence of gold deposits throughout the Omenica is afforded by the strike just reported to have been made on Tom creek by the Mayflower company, with which Mr. J. D. Wells, sub-recorder for the district, is connected. Mr. Wells arrived from the north Tuesday on the Barbara Boscowitz. For over three years Mr. Wells and two partners composing the Mayflower Mining Company, have been prospecting in Omenica, and after spending over $3,000 they have they claim struck it very rich. Mr. Wells brought down with him several rich specimens of the recent finds on Tom creek, one a round nugget, about an inch in diameter, studded and veined with gold.

Tom creek is about 125 miles from Hazleton, the head of navigation on the Skeena river, and Mr. Wells says a well equipped party can reach the new discoveries in ten days from this city, while the difficulties in packing provisions when the trail is reached is trifling.

The Mayflower company staked out most of the creek when the strike was made, taking in altogether about two miles and a half. They ascertained that the pay gravel was at least eight feet in depth and that it is worth about $1.25 to the pan. An experienced miner, says Mr. Wells, can easily pan out $20 a day.

Speaking further of the richness of the Omenica district, Mr. Wells says that coarse gold can be found in many of the small creeks emptying into the Nation river. In the same belt in which the Mayflower company have prospected so successfully, and about fifty miles from Manson creek, a man named Kenny, of the Good Hope mine, picked up a nugget valued at $200.

While the prospecting so far around Tom creek has been confined pretty much to the creek and river beds. Mr. Wells says that several very rich quartz locations have been made.

"Gold hunters need not go so far as Klondike," said Mr. Wells, "as coarse gold abounds all through the Omenica. Thanks to the work recently done in the district by the local government we now have an excellent trail right to the gold fields, and while we have not yet struck anything so rich as the Klondike, we are not without hopes that we will before next summer." Mr. Wells leaves for Tom creek in about ten days when he will take back a large supply of provisions, and a more perfect outfit for thoroughly developing the company's claims.—Colonist.

Food for Dawson City.

Washington, Dec. 13.—In answer to a senate resolution, calling for such information as the war department possesses relative to the lack of food supply on the Yukon river, Secretary Alger today submitted a letter, reciting his action in sending Captain Ray to that country, to investigate, and enclosing copies of that officer's report. Secretary Alger says: "It is ascertained that, since August 13, but 165 tons of provisions have reached Dawson City by river, and that the boats of the two transportation companies with 2,000 tons of supplies for that place were obliged to discharge their freight at Fort Yukon, 400 miles north of Dawson City owing to the lowness of the river between these two points. The population of Dawson and its vicinity, in October of this year, will be estimated to be not less than 5,000, and a large number of American citizens are reported to have insufficient food to last them through the winter, many being absolutely destitute. The latest information from the mining district bears the date of October 17th, when it is reported there was not on sale in the stores of Dawson, or those accessible to the mining region, a single pound of bacon, beans or flour, and those miners who had been in the territory contiguous to Dawson depended on the stores there for their usual winter's supply found it impossible to purchase any supplies whatever. It is, therefore, recommended that reindeer be purchased in Lapland, to the number of 500, and permission granted to bring reindeer drivers from that country; this upon the information that it requires much skill to manage these animals. It is believed that supplies taken into the Yukon country need not to ony great extent, be furnished as a gratuity, but that many of the miners will be able to pay the cost of such supplies."

The Golden Cache Case.

The following is the full text of the decree of Mr. Justice McColl in the Supreme court case of John T. Carroll, as trustee for the Golden Cache Mines Company, limited liability, et al.

The plaintiff's motion for an injunction coming on for hearing on the 27th day of November, and the plaintiff and the defendants by their counsel consenting that the hearing of this motion should be treated as the trial of this action, and the hearing being then adjourned to this day. Now upon hearing counsel for all parties and reading the affidavit of the plaintiff sworn herein the 20th day of November and the affidavit of Alexander Grant sworn herein the 26th day of November, 1897, and the several exhibits referred to in the said affidavits, and the plaintiff by his counsel and being personally present in court having himself undertaken to abide by this order *unless and until the same be varied in* appeal, this court doth declare that the plaintiff is a trustee of the shares standing in his name in the books of the company upon the following trusts, namely; To hold the said shares for the benefit of the defendants the Golden Cache Mines Company, limited liability, and *the other defendants being all the* members of the Golden Eagle syndicate and to sell and dispose of the same and the proceeds thereof subject to the terms of the resolution of the 23rd day of July, 1896, in the plaintiff's said affidavit set forth; and this court doth further order that a certificate representing *the number of shares now standing* in the books of the company be issued to the plaintiff; that the company do not dispose of the said shares except in accordance with the terms of the said resolution; and that in the event of the neglect, or failure of the plaintiff to carry out the terms of this order so far as he is required to do, or refrain from doing anything that the defendants, the Golden Cache Mines Company, limited liability, or other of the defendants herein, be at liberty to move in this action in a summary way for an order to remove the plaintiff as trustee; and this court doth order lastly that the costs of this action up to and including the hearing be paid out of the trust estate.

The resolution referred to in the decree orders "100,000 fully paid up and non-assessable shares to be handed to J. T. Carroll as trustee as between the members of the Golden Cache Syndicate and this company. The trustee is to apply the proceeds of the sale of such shares as may be sold to the credit of the company, to be used by the directors of the said company as they may see fit, and the said trustee shall receive his instructions regarding the sale of the said shares."

Mining Regulations Being Revised.

Mr. Sifton's mining regulations are being revised by a sub-committee of the council, at Ottawa, composed of the ministers of the interior, marine, and justice. They have decided to amend *the royalty regulations by exempting* the sum necessary for developing a claim for a year. They also will probably abandon the alternate claim reservation scheme, and instead make the government reserve in blocks of ten claims.

A Rough Experience.

R. J. Skinner arrived from Bridge river Sunday accompanied by an expert who has been examining the Forty Thieves group of claims, in that district, in which Mr. Skinner is interested. This property has a splendid *showing, the assays in gold running* from $24 to $400. On the return trip Mr. Skinner narrowly escaped a sudden death. The party was crossing a snowslide which was very icy, and Mr. Skinner slipped and slid along some distance towards the "jump-off-place." He managed to save himself with a pick *he carried and then the other members* of the party cut a path in the ice to where he stood.—World.

The C. P. R. pay car passed through Ashcroft Thursday night on its monthly trip.

Woodrow & Williams, butchers at Vancouver, shipped a car load of cattle to the coast this week.

James B. Leighton, superintendent of the B. X. stage line returned from a couple of weeks tour over the road.

Miss Evelyn Crook, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. L. Roberts, for some months, leaves for her home in Victoria tonight.

J. Hemans shipped four car loads of cattle to his coast markets Tuesday, and Charles George disposed of a car*load to coast people.*

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Eagle, of the Onward ranch, spent a couple of days in Asncroft this week, returning home Saturday morning. Mr. Eagle has been through the country purchasing horses.

S. Tingley left for the coast Friday morning and will return in a few days. His daughter Pauline, who has been attending school at the coast and will spend her Christmas holidays at home, is expected to arrive tonight.

Frank Forest, who has been seriously ill at New Westminster for the last few months, from late reports, is not expected to live. Mr. Forest spent several weeks in the Lillooet district this spring and in early days put in some time in the Cariboo district.

J. Menzies and Mrs. Menzies arrived in Ashcroft yesterday from Savonas. Mr. Menzies has secured the vacant store in the Johnson building and will open up in a few days a full stock of dry goods, groceries, boots and shoes. He will no doubt secure his share of the patronage of the people of Ashcroft and vicinity.

The Omenica Murder.

Among the passengers who arrived on the steamer Boscowitz Tuesday was J. D. Wells, mining recorder and special constable of Omenica district. He says that nothing has been done as yet, nor will anything be done this winter to investigate the alleged murder of Isaac Jones, the prospector whom his late partner, William Adam Gordon, now waiting trial on the charge of theft at the provincial goal, is alleged to have killed. The work of investigating the circumstances of the death of Jones will be pushed in the spring, when Mr. Wells thinks the body of the missing man will be found, for the Stickine Indions usually find the bodies of men who die from starvation or exhaustion *during the winter, as soon as the snow* clears.

The general impression in Omenica is that Gordon has done away with his partner. He has a bad character in that district, and to Mr. Wells' knowledge he has on two occasions threatened residents of that country with *death. Wells himself interfered in a* quarrel on Tom creek last summer when Gordon was trying to kill an Indian.—Victoria Times.

Durant Again Sentenced.

San Francisco, Dec. 15—William Henry Theodore Durrant, the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamont, was sentenced this morning by Superior Judge Bahrs for the fourth time to suffer the extreme penalty of the law, the date of his execution being set for January 7th next. His attorneys made a desperate effort to secure further delay and pave the way for another appeal to the Supreme Court, but Judge Bahrs was inexorable and overruled each and every objection made to the proceedings. Durrant was in court and carried himself with his customary coolness. An immense crowd flocked to the court room and filled the corridors of the city hall.

From White Horse Rapids.

The Skagway News of December 3rd says:

"John Hepburn, of Victoria, and Angus McRea, of Ashcroft, B.C., arrived in Skaguay on Wednesday direct from White Horse Rapids, where Mr. Hepburn is constructing a pole tramway to obviate the necessity of shooting this perilous stretch of water. Messrs. Hepburn and McRea came over White pass, making good time.

In conversation with a Skaguay News representative Mr. Hepburn stated his belief that a number of persons had met death in White Horse Rapids. On October 25th, he found a boat below the rapids bottom side up, with every indication that it had contained a party of four of six persons. He believed that its occupants had been drowned, and that eventually it will be found that such is the case. He believes that many others went to their death in the same manner last season. The derelict found by Mr. Hepburn was of Lake Bennett build. Mr. Hepburn states that Lake Bennett is not yet frozen over, but Tagish lake and the rivers between Tagish and Bennett, as well as White Horse Rapids, are frozen hard and fast. There are 23 people camped at White Horse, and 35 at the foot of Marsh lake, while a great many others have gone to the Hootalinqua to prospect during the winter. He has heard of no new strikes on the Hootalinqua but he believes that big finds will be made there. There are hundreds of people in camp below White Horse and there are at least 1,000 men scattered between White Horse and Skaguay. A few people are still making their way down the lakes and on their way up. Messrs. Hepburn and McRea met a woman pulling her sled after her and making fair time. The Canadian police have rendered travelers valuable assistance. The police authorized Mr. Hepburn to state that no person going down the lakes would be allowed to continue their journey unless they had at least 600 pounds of food.

Mr. Hepburn's tramway will be completed by May 15th. Its capacity will be 100 tons every ten hours and the charges will be one cent per pound and $10 per boat."

Angus McRae, above mentioned, returned to Ashcroft this week and in a long talk with the writer Mr. McRae gave some interesting details of the present condition of those who succeeded in getting over the Skagway and Chilcoot passes last fall. Mr. McRae says men are camped or moving along the country beyond the passes to the number of several hundred, that several large parties are now prospecting on the Lewis and Hootalinqua rivers, and that some of them are doing good thorough work and he thinks that some of them are doing good thorough work, and he thinks that before next spring there are likely to be good finds much nearer than the Klondike section, as shafts are *being sunk on both* of the above mentioned streams or their tributaries. Mr. McRae says that the Teslin lake route will be the favorite one for the spring traffic, that while it will be not at all impossible to get over the Skagway trail during the cold weather the early spring will see a con*dition of things on the trail that is yet* unheard of. Several thousand dead horses along the trail will for one thing make it all a man's life is worth to attempt the trip through, for fevers and *pestilence must follow. Add to this* the fact that the frozen streams, the infected water and the terrible swamps Skagway trail will be a place to avoid after the spring thaws. The tramway built by Messrs. Hepburn and McRae will be a success without a doubt. Mr. McRae intends to return in a few weeks *to the interior.*

Convicts Removed.

By Saturday night's Atlantic express 15 convicts from the British Columbia penitentiary were removed to the Stony Mountain Penitentiary, Manitoba, and *the Kingston Penitentiary.* The transfer of these convicts was necessitated by the crowded state of the local penitentiary, and it is probable that several more will also be removed to the eastern institutions at an early date The convicts were in charge of Warden Whyte and Guards Patchell, Dynes *and McMaster and Keeper Jackson.*

The British Columbia penitentiary has only accommodation for 102 convicts, but for some time past there have been as many as 116 within its walls. As the law prohibits the placing of more than one prisoner in a cell, several had to be given quarters in the corridors, *which necessitated the placing on duty* of extra guards.

Lieut-Col. Wright's Retirement.

The announced early retirement of Lieut.-Col. Wright from the command of the 43rd O. & C. Rifles, and the pro*motion of Major Sherwood, has been* expected for some time, Col. Wright, owing to business interests in British Columbia, considering it quite unfair to retain the command of the battalion any longer. Major Sherwood, as second in command, has had great opportunities and most envied success—in *fact, as a major, he has established a* record—it being very doubtful if ever in Canada before, any officer acting for his commanding officer throughout a two years' absence of the latter, has brought his battalion along so well and efficiently as he has. Major Sherwood's advancement gives a majority to the *adjutant, Captain S. M. Rogers.* "Maynard" has well earned his step, having been in service in the North West in '85, and served as adjutant since 1889. The new adjutant has not yet been named.

That Tax on Whisky.

Regina, Dec. 15.—Dr. Brett, leader of the opposition in the Northwest legislature, enquired of the premier regarding the report that Major Walsh was imposing a fee of $2 per gallon on liquor brought into the Yukon. Dr. Brett said he certainly had no right to do anything of the sort.

In reply, Mr. Haultain said that wherever territorial ordinances applied they were being enforced in the Yukon. He could hardly believe that Major Walsh had imposed a tax on liquor. It certainly was not within his right. The only power in this respect was under the old ordinance of issuing permits.

When the house rose it was the intention of the government to put through an order in council providing for permits in that district, and the amount accruing would go to the general revenue of the territories. It was the policy of the government to assert all its rights with regard to the Yukon, and the government will resist all attempts to disintegrate the territories.

"The Bible says the streets of heaven are paved with gold."

"Yes."

"Then why don't people struggle to get there as they do to get to the Klondike."—*Chicago Record.*

We hope to see a telephone or a telegraph line from Quesnelle Forks to the 150-Mile House early in the season of 1898. It is a much needed improvement and would be a paying investment for private parties. If no company will take it up, the provincial government might well look into this with a view to securing in some way such a service.

Dr. and Mrs. F. S. Reynolds returned this week Wednesday from a trip east. A pleasant time was had, but both are glad to be back again to the lively little village of Ashcroft, their home. Neighbors' faces have a look that is pleasant to see after a few weeks' absence. Ashcroft is not a large place but it contains pleasant people and as good neighbors as can be found in any country town in the world.

The party of men who left Ashcroft several weeks ago for the Peace river country have got their outfits all ready at Quesnelle for starting over the snow. Four of the party are expected to leave Monday morning and if they are suc*cessful one of them will return and the* rest of the party will go in. Mr. Moore the manager of the party for the British American mining and trading company of Baltimore is still at Ashcroft, and letters received from the men en route are very favorable, all being well and thoroughly enjoying the novelty *of the jouaney.*

Str. Cleveland Wrecked.

The steamer Cleveland is stranded in Barclay sound, west coast of Vancouver Island, and twenty members of the crew, including two mates, and two passengers, are missing.

She left San Francisco on the 4th inst., for Seattle. On the 6th while at sea she broke her shaft. She drifted about at sea until the night of the 10th when she drifted into Barclay sound. Thinking she was going to strike, and a big storm raging, the crew and three passengers took to four boats. The boat containing the captain, with the boat's crew and one passenger, reached Uclulet, and the purser made his way to Victoria. It is feared the other boats were wrecked in the surf, two boxes of biscuits having been found on the beach. It is barely possible that any of the occupants reached the shore alive. The steamer struck after the crew left, and is now full of water. She is being looted by the Indians, The government steamer Quadra has been ordered to proceed to the scene of the disaster.

Ottawa, Dec. 16—A warrant was issued today for the arrest of Robert Stevenson, president of the Granite Creek mining company, at the instance of Miss Christie, of this city, who says that Stevenson got a diamond ring from her for seven shares in his company. The ring, it is charged, was got under false pretences. Stevenson was here yesterday but not today.

The third annual ball held at Quesnelle takes place Thursday and Friday evenings, December 30th and 31st. These annual dances are well attended and greatly appreciated by the residents of Quesnelle and vicinity, as the annual gathering brings together many old friends. The managing committee are doing good work to make this year's one of the best yet held.

Mr. Justice McColl sat at Vernon Wednesday as commissioner to investigate certain charges prepared against County Court Judge Spinks. The latter was present at the appointed hour as was also A. Henderson, of New Westminster, representing the minister of justice and Charles Wilson, Q.C., on behalf of Judge Spinks. No one appeared on behalf of the complainants. The commissioner of course dismissed the case, and commented on the extraordinarp conduct of the parties who laid charges and yet failed to appear to substantiate them.

We do not believe the sarcastic and bitter articles found of late in the Victoria Times and the Inland Sentinel regarding the getting out of a Chinese call to Joseph Hunter to be a candidate for a Cariboo constituency are fair or just. The JOURNAL is not in Mr. Hunter's confidence, but all who know him personally believe him to be a man of integrity and ability. If he *decides to make the run for parliament* in Cariboo, pit a good man against him and let the voters judge of the merits or demerits of the case. The Chinese call should not be a factor. The call is a trick reprehensible and discreditable to its originators.

Have you seen the Sentinel's "map?" It is said to be a "map" of the route from Kamloops to the Canadian Yukon." We are glad the explanation accompanies the map. It helps one to know what it is intended for. Taken all together the efforts of the Sentinel and Standard to belittle Ashcroft and the Cariboo road, they are doing something among strangers, but such trash is the laughing stock of those who know the country. Kamloops has one and one only road leading to Quesnelle, but because that road leads by Cache Creek, six miles from Ashcroft, the two papers published there fail to notice it, and spend their time in building castles in the air about improbable if not entirely impossible routes that many years hence may be considered, but certainly not for many years. In our judgment it would be better for Kamloops to point out the fact that a good wagon road leads out by way of Savonas to Cache Creek ahd there joins the Cariboo road for it would be true. Of the various "North River" and "Bridge Creek" routes, every man, woman and child living in this section of the country knows there are no such routes. Then why confuse the thousands that will come this way with such utter nonsense. It seems to be as the Kamloops man said to an Ashcroft man whom he mistook for a Victorian in Victoria last week. "We are not against your coast routes, we are trying to knock out Ashcroft." Prosperity for Ashcroft will help Kamloops also. Why try to mislead and bewilder the strangers who will soon be moving down upon us by thousands, with theoretical and yet to be made roads and trails?

Freight Shipments

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

Dec. 11,	J Gannon, Clinton	5,440
" 11,	R Cumming, Lillooet	1,945
" 13,	M Burns, Clinton	3,050
" 15,	J Dickey, Lillooet	1,000
" 15,	D Manning, Lillooet	750
" 15,	G Adams, Lillooet	4,670
" 16,	F W Foster, Clinton	1,950
" 16,	J D Gillis, Bark and Ques.	10,000
" 16,	J Gannon, Clinton	5,280
" 16,	T Maxwell, Soda ck & Ques.	7,340
	Total	41,440

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Registration Of Voters.

Victoria Times: In view of the coming events which are casting their shadows before, both in the political and commercial arenas, it is of very great importance that all the preliminary arrangements to meet the approaching crisis should be made without delay. On the political side of the question nothing can be of more importance just now than the registration of voters. There is going to be a struggle; several momentous questions are to be settled before long, and no stone is to be left unturned that will in any way aid. Now is the time for all voters to see that their names are properly on the roll; those who have not attended to this duty should do so at once. This is a matter which is too often neglected on the ground that one vote more or less does not matter. But suppose everybody said that; what a fine thing thing it would be for the unscrupulous graspers of the reins of power. Somebody must, in the present stage of human progress, guide, rule, direct; when a people become careless of their voting privileges the guiding will be done by selfish men, the ruling by tyrants, and the directing by persons who have dedicated themselves to the advancement, further glory and aggrandisement of Number One. Every man who has the right to vote owes it to himself, to his neighbor, to the country, to take pains to see that his name is upon the register; and when the time comes to use that vote to do so like a man, giving it to the side he sees best deserves it. Therefore, see to it, voters, that you get your rights and have your names registered; there will be need for every one of those votes ere long, for there is warm work ahead. In regard to the provincial government we might appropriately employ the figure of seamanship in discussing it, as it seems to be a "trade wind" that is going to strike the province soon. When the favoring gale fills our sails and the ship begins to move it will require the best of seamanship to enable her to travel as she should. The voters must signify whether they consider the Turner government political master mariners who can be trusted and retained, or whether they are incompetent land-lubbers, unable to do anything pertaining to political navigation but box the compass of self-interest, and who should be paid off and replaced at the first port. We contend they are the latter, and we refer to their log, which shows a long list of collisions, groundings, ship on her beam ends through lubber steering, shoal water too often, taking wrong channel repeatedly, crew in mutiny against contradictory orders, look-out men asleep on duty, irregular watches, lying-to in fair winds and aimless beating up to windward in foul weather. These officers must be cashiered as soon as possible, for their certificates are hove-down and shown to be spurious documents. The work of relegating them to the safety of useful obscurity and re-arranging the whole crew lies with the owners—the voters.

Mrs. McKinley Dead.

Canton, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley, the aged mother of the president, died shortly after 2 o'clock this morning. Almost two weeks had elapsed since the stroke of poralysis, which was at once pronounced fatal, and the wonderful vitality which had kept death at bay so long had deluded the friends and relatives into the belief that the aged woman might, perhaps, recover, despite the verdict of her physicians.

But unmistakable signs of approaching dissolution were seen early yesterday morning and at nightfall it was evident that death must come before morning. The demise of Mrs. McKinley was painless. All night long the members of the family were watching and waiting for the time of dissolution.

From 11 o'clock until the time of the death, the McKinley house was quiet and shrouded in a stillness that was suggestive of the mournful scenes within its walls. No response could be obtained by messengers or reporters who sought in vain for news.

Shortly before midnight the attendants discovered what was thought to be certain signs of dissolution. The fact was communicated to the inmates of the household, who had gone to their rooms, but had not retired for the night. Around the deathbed where the final scene was enacted were President McKinley, his wife, Abner McKinley, Mrs. Duncan and Miss Helen McKinley, children of the aged woman. The aged sister was there, Miss Abigail Osborne, the only one of the Allison family now living. Mrs. Bowman of Loraine; Misses Grace and Mabel McKinley, James McKinley, Miss Duncan and Jack Duncan, grandchildren, were all in the sad party that witnessed the last scene in the gentle life. The president and his wife remained at the bedside for an hour after the end, but by 1 o'clock every member of the family had retired.

THE PSALM OF KLONDIKE.

Tell me not in mystic measure
"Life is dull, and nothing worth,"
When there are such hoards of treasure
Up at Klondike in the north.

Gold is real; Oh, how we love it!
Gold is all we wish to gain.
Dust it is, but dust we covet,
And labor always to obtain.

Let no tie of passion bind us;
Let us be upon the way,
And let each tomorrow find us
Nearer Klondike than today.

The way is long and time is fleeting,
The present is the time to strike:
Let our joyous hearts be beating
Merry marches to Klondike.

In the world's broad field of battle,
In the gold fields far and near,
Be not like dumb driven cattle:
Cast your lot and nothing fear.

Trust no future howe'er pleasant,
"There is danger in delay."
Act! act in the living present
And be there, though others stay.

Lives of lucky men remind us
We can make it if we try,
And departing leave behind us
Gold for others to enjoy.

Nuggets that perhaps another
Sailing o'er life's solemn main—
A forlorn and dead broke brother
Seeing shall take heart again.

Let us then get to the mining,
Via Ashcroft and Quesnelle,
Make it while the sun is shining
And return in the fall.

—Prowlabout.

An old timer named James Anderson died suddenly in Victoria. He was known as "Jimmie the Shoemaker," and kept a shop in Oriental alley. In a will which was found among his effects he bequeaths to the Protestant Orphan's home $300, and $100 to the Jubilee hospital. The house and lot which he owned and a bank account of $1,600, he leaves to a Mr. Charles Pardoe.

Montreal, Dec 8.—A serious row occurred, today, between some Italians and French-Canadians employed on the Soulanges Canal at Couteau du Lac, during which an Italian, named Alexis Greco, was killed. The Italians are furious, and are parading the streets of the villages, threatening vengeance. The Montreal authorities sent out assistance tonight.

Attempts to evade the death duties act are causing queer complications in England. An old man transferred all his property by deed of gift to his young wife, not expecting that he would survive her. She made a will leaving it to a former beau of hers, and then was killed on the hunting field. The husband was thus left dependent on the lover's generosity.

London, Dec. 11.—C. J. D. Goldie, of Cambridge, who rowed for Leander in the race for the Challenge cup at the Henley regatta this year, and J. Fernis, who stroked the Trinity Hall, Cambridge, crew in the race for the Grand challenge cup this year, sailed for New York today on the Cunard liner Lucania. It is rumored they are going to look into rowing matters at Yale, and perhaps train the Yale crew.

In Germany there are marriage schools, which are said to be meeting with undoubted success. These schools are not for the purpose of teaching young couples the art of getting married, as might be supposed, but they are simply schools of instruction in housekeeping. It is thought, however, that men of judgment will give the preference to young women trained in all the arts which go to the making of a comfortable home.

One of the most elaborate applications of the "penny-in-the-slot" is to be seen in a Berlin restaurant. This is a handsomely fitted up establishment, supplying several articles of food and various drinks at counters running along the sides of the room, and serving everything automatically when the proper coins—which are plainly indicated for each article—are deposited. The articles of food are seen in plates behind glass panels. The depositing of the coin causes the plate to be lowered to the counter, within reach of the customer, while another plate moves forward into position for the next comer. Any drink selected is similarly supplied, a glass being first taken from a peg, rinsed in a jet of water, and placed under a tap, which automatically measures just a glassful The visitor finds the place cleanly and attractive, with every facility for helping himself, and tables at which he may stand or sit while eating.

Back From the Klondike.

Opening the door in response to an insistent knock, the lady beheld the figure of one she remembered.

"Oh, it is you, is it?" she said icily.

"It is me," was the answer, "your long lost husband, who has come to tell you that he is sorry he ran away two years ago."

"Maybe you are sorry you went," retorted the lady, "but I ain't; what did you come back for?"

"My dearest, I have been to the Klondike, and last summer I accumulated fifty thousand—"

"Fifty thousand dollars!" shrieked the loving wife, as she fell on his neck

"No, mosquito bites."

It was but a moment later that he fell on his neck himself.

"Why did you forsake theology for medicine?" asked Tenspot, meeting a former college classmate.

"I found that preaching wasn't my forte, while practising was."

"My wife has the queerest ideas."

"What has she been doing now?"

"What do you think? She thought it would be real nice to raise a canary bird, and so——"

"Well—and so?"

"She went and planted bird seed."

Employer—You were late this morning, Henry.

Office Boy—Yes, sir.

Employer—Did you forget to mention it to me?

Office Boy—No, sir; but I didn't want to deprive you of the pleasure of being the first to speak of it.

In the federal court at Seattle Judge Hanford awarded Gaston Jacobi and Charles Ruff, two passengers who started to Alaska last September on the steamer Eugene, $800 damages against the owners of the steamer for failure to land them at Dawson.

Young Housewife—Any liver today Mr. Cones.

Butcher—Yes madam.

Young Housewife—Then I'll take ten pounds; but please see that it is not that torpid kind, which the doctors say is the cause of so much disease.

The pope, in an encyclical just promulgated, declares that the Virgin Mary was predestinated from all eternity to be the mother of the incarnate word; that she was ever honored by the son of God; that she was associated with him in two miracles, and that in his last moments he committed her to his beloved deciple.

E. F. Suydam, a prospector just arrived from Greenwood, committed suicide last Friday at Rossland by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. Suydam was here for the purpose of making a sale of some mining property, but had failed to do so. He had been on a protracted spree, but was sober when the fatal shot was fired. The deceased was well known in the San Juan country, Colorado, and at Custermont. He made a large fortune in Colorado, but lost it shortly afterwards.

NOTICE.

OWNERS of Placer Claims are invited to send a few ounces of the black or grey sand, obtained in washing the gravel for gold, to the "The Provincial Mineralogist, Bureau of Mines, Victoria," stating the name of the creek from which the sand is taken, and its locality.

It is believed that PLATINUM, and perhaps IRIDIUM, are frequently passed over and lost by the prospector, as they have much the appearance of iron in the sand. These minerals are as valuable as gold, the latter more so, and if the placer claim owners will send the black or gray sand as aforesaid it will be assayed and the results given to the owner.

33-36 JAMES BAKER,
Minister of Mines.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

PRIVATE BILLS.

Excerpt from Rules and Orders Relating to Private Bills.

RULE 59.

All applications for private bills, properly the subject of legislation by the legislative assembly of British Columbia, within the purview of the "British North America Act, 1867," whether for the erection of a bridge, the making of a railway, tramway, turnpike road, or telegraph or telephone line; the construction or improvement of a harbor, canal, lock, dam, slide, or other like work; the granting of a right of ferry; the incorporation of any particular trade or calling, or of any joint stock company; or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community, or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former act—shall require a notice clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application, and, where the application refers to any proposed work, indicating generally the location of the work, and signed by or on behalf of the applicants, such notice to be published as follows:

In the British Columbia Gazette, and in one newspaper published in the district affected, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest district in which a newspaper is published.

Such notice shall be continued in each case for a period of at least six weeks, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding session and the consideration of the petition, and copies of such notice shall be sent by the parties inserting such notice to the clerk of the house to be filed amongst the records of the committee on standing orders.

57. No petition for any private bill shall be received by the house after the first ten days of each session, nor may any private bill be presented to the house after the first three weeks of each session, nor may any report of any standing or any select committee upon a private bill be received after the first four weeks of each session, and no motion for the suspension or modification of this rule shall be entertained by the house until the same has been reported on by the committee on standing orders, or after reference made thereof at a previous sitting of the house to the standing committees charged with consideration of private bills, who shall report thereon to the house. And if this rule shall be suspended or modified as aforesaid the promoters of any private bill which is presented after the time hereinbefore limited, or for which the petition has been received after the time hereinbefore limited, shall in either case pay double the fees required as herein mentioned, unless the house shall order to the contrary. Any person seeking to obtain any private bill shall deposit with the clerk of the house, eight days before the opening of the session, a printed copy of such bill, a copy of the petition to be presented to the house, together with the notices published. At the time of depositing the bill, the applicant shall also pay to the clerk of the house a sum of three hundred dollars. If a copy of the bill, petition and notices shall not have been so deposited in the hands of the clerk of the house at least eight days before the opening of the session, and if the petition has not been presented within the first ten days of the session, the amount to be paid to the clerk shall be six hundred dollars. If the bill shall not pass second reading one-half of the fees paid shall be returned.

60. Before any petition, praying for leave to bring in a private bill for the erection of a toll bridge, is received by the house, the person or persons intending to petition for such bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by rule 59, also at the same time and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect a drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

61. All private bills for acts of incorporation shall be so framed as to incorporate by reference the clauses of the general acts relating to the details to be provided for by such bills; Special grounds shall be established for any proposed departure from this principle, or for the introduction of other provisions as to such details, and a note shall be appended to the bill indicating the provisions thereof in which the general act is proposed to be departed from. Bills which are not framed in accordance with this rule shall be re-cast by the promoters and re-printed at their expense before any committee passes upon the clauses.

65. All private bills shall be prepared by the parties applying for the same, and printed in small pica type, twenty-six ems by fifty ems, on good paper, in imperial octavo form each page when folded measuring 10¾ inches by 7½ inches. There shall be a marginal number every fifth line of each page; the numbering of the lines is not to run on through the bill, but the lines of each page are to be numbered separately. One hundred copies of each bill shall be deposited with the clerk of the house immediately before the first reading. If amendments are made to any bill during its progress before the committee on private bills, or through the house, such bill shall be re printed by the promoters thereof.

Dated 16th November, 1897.

THORNTON FELL,
31-32 Clerk, Legislative Assembly.

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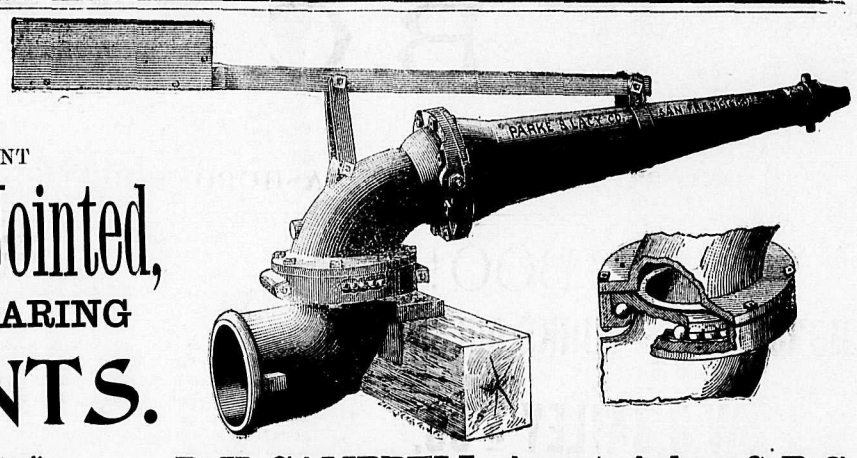

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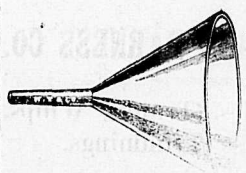

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Certificates of Improvements.

Goldfinch Mineral Claim.

Situate in Richfield Mining Division of Cariboo District, British Columbia. Where Located—On Lowhee Creek, near Barkerville, B.C.

Take notice that I, Alfred H. Chaldecott, acting as agent for the Oriole Syndicate Limited (foreign) Free Miner's certificate No. 5984A, 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.

19-30 A. H. CHALDECOTT.

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,
WM. WILKINSON.

Dated this 11th day of October A. D. 1897.

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Mineral Act, 1896.

(FORM F.)

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

FORTY THIEVES MINERAL CLAIM. Situate in the Lillooet Mining Division of Lillooet District.

Where located—South Fork of Bridge River.

Take notice that we, Robert B. Skinner and John Marshall, free miner's certificates No. 6370A, and 75318, 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 20th day of November, 1897.

R. B. SKINNER,
3219 JOHN MARSHALL.

NOTICE.

Strayed or stolen on or about October 20th, from the 59-Mile House, one black 3-year-old Hambletonian filly; no marks or brands, except a lump on the outside of the front right leg just above the ankle. Anyone finding same will be liberally rewarded.

3213 MORT SULLIVAN.

Mineral Act, 1896.

(FORM F.)

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

URAL MINERAL CLAIM. Situate in the Lillooet Mining Division of Lillooet District.

Where located—South Fork of Bridge River.

Take notice that we, Robert B. Skinner and John R. Williams, free miner's certificates No. 6370A and 75464, 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 20th day of November, 1897.

R. B. SKINNER,
3219 JOHN R. WILLIAMS.

Mineral Act, 1896.

(FORM F.)

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

BERTA MINERAL CLAIM. Situate in the Lillooet Mining Division of Lillooet District.

Where located—South Fork of Bridge River.

Take notice that I, C. A. Phair, free miner's certificate No. 55695 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.

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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 327 miles according to the last report from J. D. Devereaux, representative of the MINING JOURNAL who is now in the field and is a good trail. From Hazleton to Telegraph Creek, on the Stickine 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 702 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 had 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 any boatmen with safety. There are hundreds of miles of unexplored ground near the overland trail known to be rich. Mines of great value will be found in this partially 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 December. The illustrations are now being engraved in Chicago.

Small Boats On The Yukon.

The waterways furnish one of the principal means of travel and transportation throughout the great northwest territory and the Yukon region and these are generally free from ice only three or four months of the year. The rest of the time the traveler must use dog teams and sleds. Supplies are therefore brought in during the summer when the streams flow. In moving about from place to place and going up the rivers and creeks on prospecting trips the miners and prospectors must use boats and canoes. Boats are preferred, because provisions, tools, etc., may be carried. For these reasons miners along the Yukon and its tributaries must have more or less boating to do, and have to learn to build, repair, paddle, pole, row and load boats. Nineteen out of twenty who go into that country know little or nothing of boating, and do not know the difference between the gunwale and the garboard strake. They do not know how to stop a leak or put on a patch properly, much less build a whole boat. Few, if any, know how to place the load in a boat so it will keep her in the proper trim, and make her safe, or how to steer to keep her away from the beach, while others are "tracking" with a tow rope along the bank. Every man who has the opportunity should try to learn something about building, repairing and handling a boat. The boats used on the Yukon are sharp at both ends, flat bottomed, with wide, flaring sides and much like an ordinary fisherman's dory, except that there is no sheer. A perfectly dry boat, inside, is a rarity on the Yukon river; they all leak more or less, which is a great nuisance where provisions and clothing are being carried. The amateur builders seem to find it difficult to properly fit the plank ends into the rabbet on the stanting stem and sternpost and to make good joints on the bottom planking. A few lessons at a boat builder's would show them how to go about this properly, and they can rest assured it is a valuable species of knowledge to have in the Yukon. The method of putting on a rough patch and stopping a leak in a knot or check should also be learned. The Yukon boats are from 18 to 32 feet long and from four to seven feet extreme beam, and alike at both ends. They are seldom rowed with oars, except to keep them in the middle of the stream, and are usually poled or tracked [illegible] ing, one man sit[illegible] steers while the o[illegible] bank with the tow [illegible] fast to the boat [illegible] third the boat len[illegible] In poling two men [illegible] one at each side of [illegible] ends.

Nelson Re[illegible]d.

A New York writ[illegible]s: "On [illegible] ques Cartier Square [illegible] Mon[illegible] stands a monument [illegible] to Brit[illegible] greatest naval hero, [illegible] Nelson [illegible] annihilated the co[illegible] France and Spain at [illegible] 1805, and died amid [illegible] his mightiest victory. This monument has been an offensive reminder to the French-Canadians for many years, and, consequently, has been allowed to fall into very bad repair. An attempt was made to blow it up at one time, and the gaping crevices and shattered stones have never been restored, as the English had no desire to fan to life the slumbering French-Canadian prejudice. No tribute of respect, nor attempt to protect it from vandalism, has been made by the Montreal authorities for years, and not until the last anniversary, in the past month, has Nelson's memory been recognized by decorating the Jacques Cartier Square monument. The Army and Navy Veteran Association this year imitated the custom prevalent at the Trafalgar Square monument at Montreal with four flags, one of a royal standard, entwined with the tri-color of France, the two others being Union Jacks, above which was hung a wreath of white immortelles; while at the base was a huge bouquet of carnations, chrysanthemums, asters and ferns."

The Alaska Miner, of Juneau claims that Seattle is overcharging the Klondikers who outfit there. The paper springs the deadly parallel to prove it, and shows that Juneau prices aggregate $129.65 for articles that foot up $169.80 at Seattle.

Chief Justice Davie yesterday at Victoria to release J. G. Bennett, who is being held for extradition on the charge of attempting to murder his wife at San Francisco. The application for the discharge was made on technical grounds.

Judge Morrow rendered his decision at San Francisco last Monday in the United States circuit court relative to the petition for disbarment against Attorney John Boone, accused of unprofessional prrctice in the Bowers dredger case. He decided in favor of the petition, disbarring Boone forever from practice in the federal courts.

Florence Blythe H. Hinkley has won a most important victory in the San Francisco federal courts, and her rights to the vast property she has so long struggled for in the courts have been fully sustained.

United States Circuit Judge Morrow delivered an opinion reversing a decree made some months ago adverse to Mrs. Hinckley, and going one step further, impregnably establishes her in full possession of the Blythe millions by nonsuiting the contestants to her property.

Public Land Reserved.

An "extra" of the British Columbia Gazette, issued last evening, contains the following important announcement:

Notice is hereby given that the under mentioned tracts of land are reserved for government purposes, until further notice, viz:

1. A belt of land, five miles in width, extending back from the shore line of the whole of that portion of Bennett lake which lies within the province.

2. A belt of land, five miles in width, extending back from the shore line of the whole of that portion of Teslin lake which lies within the province.

3. A belt of land commencing at a point five miles below Glenora, on the Stickine river; thence up the said river to a point five miles above Telegraph creek, and giving a width of five miles on each side of the said river.

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Hon. Mr. Martin, on being asked for further information as to the reasons prompting the reserve, said that since the rush had commenced in the direction of the far northern gold fields, many speculative projects were on foot and not a few of these were in the direction of land grabbing, not with a view to the development of latent resources. This was something the province would not benefit by and the government had accordingly determined to prevent it so far as possible. The reservation has nothing to do with any railway projects.

The Boston Globe says: "Mrs. Leutgert, the supposed victim of the sausage manufacturer murder, so-called in Chicago, is alive and well. Mrs. Leutgert was seen in this city during the month of July, and acknowledged her identity, besides giving more or less explanation relative to the reasons which caused her to leave her husband, who is again to be tried for his life." Such was the startling declaration made by editor John H. Schofield, of St. Louis, to a Globe man on Wednesday evening. Mr. Schofield supplemented his statement with the positive assurance that Mrs. Leutgert was at a house No. 7 Bulfinch Place, for a period of three or four days during the middle of July last. He said that he based this assurance upon the fact that Mrs. Leutgert, while in Boston, acknowledged her full identity with the assertion that she left her husband because of his actions with other women and his embarassment in business. He further asserted that he believed that Mrs. Leutgert was still in Boston and that she would yet be found

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A Kansas man was talking of that state yesterday and the "good times" there. "Business brisk, is it?" he was asked. "Well, it's pretty lively," he replied, "at least in my town." "What business are you in?" "Well," he replied, hesitatingly, "my wife is chief of police, and I'm on the force."—Atlanta Constitution.

Mosher—What are you doing with all those bits of card in your pocket?

Wiswell—They are seat checks at different theaters. It says on each, "Retain this check." It's an awful bore, don't you know, to be obliged to carry so much pasteboard around. But, then, what's a fellow to do? Boston Transcript.

Artistic Presumption.—Henderson—I call it presumption for one of those organ grinders to stop, uninvited, before your door and grind out alleged music, and then ask you for coin.

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Court House, Ashcroft, on the 27th of December, 1897.
Clemes Hotel, Spences Bridge, on the 28th of December, 1897.
Court House, Lytton, on the 29th of December, 1897.
Court House, Yale, on the 30th December, 1897.

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon of each day.

JAMES WARDLE,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.
Hope, B.C., Dec. 6, 1897. 3213

NOTICE.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT.—Horsefly Gold Mining Company, Location of principal place of business, San Francisco, California; location of Works, Horsefly River, Cariboo District, B.C.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 24th day of November, 1897, an assessment (No. 2) of *ninety (90) cents per share* was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately in United States gold coin to the secretary, at the office of the company, 610 Clay street, San Francisco, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall *remain unpaid on the 27th day of December*, 1897, will be delinquent, and advertised for sale at public auction; and unless payment is made before, will be sold on Thursday, the 13th day of January, 1898, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the costs or advertising and expenses of sale.

By order of the board of directors.

R. T. WARD, Secretary,
3114 Office, 610 Clay st., San Francisco, Cal.

Administrators Sale

SEPARATE TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to the 10th day of January, 1898, for the following parcels of property belonging to the estate of the late Lewis Morgan.

1. An hotel in the town of Stanley known as the Stanley Hotel including furniture, beds, bedding, bar, bar fixtures, stoves and cooking utensils; also a stable 25 x 30 in connection with accommodation for 10 horses.

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JOHN A. FRASER,
Official Administrator.
Quesnelle, B.C., Nov. 27, 1897. 3114

1897. S. No. 23

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

In the Matter of the Estate of Rafael Valenzuela, deceased.

BETWEEN

Joseph E. N. Smith, Plaintiff,

And

Jeanie Valenzuela, Defendant.

Pursuant to an order made herein dated 23rd November 1897, notice is hereby given that it was thereby ordered that *the estate of said Rafael Valenzuela*, deceased, late of Meadow lake, B. C., should be administered under the direction of the court, and that the usual enquiries should be made and accounts taken relating to the estate, including an enquiry as to who are the persons entitled to, or *interested in the real* and personal estate of said deceased; and it was thereby ordered that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate do on or before the 4th day of January 1898, send by post to the undersigned their Christian and surnames, addresses and *descriptions, the full* particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities, (if any) held by them; or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said order. Every creditor holding any security *is to produce the same before the* Judge in Chambers at the Court House, Victoria, B. C, on the 4th day of February, 1898 at 10.30 a. m. being the time appointed for adjudication of the claims. And further that notice of said order should be served upon the persons *interested in or claiming against* said estate and that such service might be duly effected by publication for three weeks in the Victoria Weekly Colonist and the B.C. Mining Journal of an advertisement giving the general effect of the said order.

Dated 2nd day of December, 1897.

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Also a branch line from Revelstoke, or across the Columbia river southwesterly from Revelstoke, to Arrow lake; thence to Trout lake; thence to the headwaters of Kootenay lake, and to build and operate tramways in connection therewith, with power to construct, operate, and maintain branch lines and all necessary bridges, roads, ways and ferries, and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith, and with power to build, own, equip, and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and to operate the same on any navigable waters within the province; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power, and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or other aids from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railways, tramways, ferries, wharves and vessels built by the company, and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with the railway, steamboat or other companies, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges in that behalf.

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LOCAL NEWS.

The Methodist church is rapidly nearing completion.

Mrs. F. Webb, who has been ill for the past few weeks has not improved very much.

Mrs. K. Steadman gave a party to a number of people at her house on Tuesday evening.

E. H. Fletcher, postoffice inspector went to Dog Creek last Monday morning on official business.

A. E. Leatham returned Tuesday evening from a hunt in the Chilcoten country, having had good success.

B. F. Burgess, who owns several claims in the Lillooet district, was in town for a couple of days this week.

The Ashcroft Hotel has secured the services of a first class chef who took charge of the dining room the first of the week.

Harry Gamble left for Seattle the first of the week on the receipt of a telegram saying that his father was seriously ill.

Charles A. Semlin, M.P.P., leader of the opposition in the provincial legislature, returned from a few days' visit to the coast cities.

The snow continues to fall and good sleighing is had all along the road. Sleighing parties are being indulged in by the inhabitants.

The Goss Brothers have leased the sawmill up at Hat Creek formerly run by Harry Penny. They have already received orders from Ashcroft.

The Dominion Express company have reduced their express charges 25 per cent. The rate to Vancouver from Ashcroft is now $1.00 instead of $1.25.

Mr. P. A. E. Irving, of Victoria, has been appointed to the Bench of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, in the place of Mr. McCreight, resigned.

M. Drummond and wife, who have been visiting at Kamloops for some weeks, left for their ranch in the Chilcotin Thursday morning by their own cutter.

Work on the Faith mine near Lytton is being pushed rapidly and the indications are from the result of the work that the parties who have a bond on the property have a good thing.

J. A. Kaye, George Gage and W. J. Grant, all Calgary men, returned this week from a lengthy trip through the Dog Creek and Chilcotin districts on a hunting expedition, meeting with great success.

Fred W. Alexander, storekeeper, and J. K. Barker, connected with the Cariboo Hydraulic mine near Quesnelle Forks, came down by special rig Sunday and went on to the coast where they will spend the winter.

J. H. Blome, the well-known photographer, who has spent several months in the upper country, returned to Ashcroft Wednesday evening. Mr. Blome was laid up for a couple months with a broken arm, having been kicked by a horse.

L. G. Burns, provincial constable at Lillooet, brought over by stage Saturday a prisoner named Charles Barker, and took him up to the provincial jail at Kamloops, where he will stay for three months. He was convicted of supplying whisky to Indians.

Mrs. Allen, mother of W. F. Allen, and Miss Clarke, sister of T. A. Brett, of Lillooet, left by special rig for Lillooet Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Allen has been in very poor health for some time and has been at the coast hoping it would do her some good.

The Recreation Club reading room is being pretty well patronized by the visitors to town. The club receives all the latest newspapers and magazines and is a comfortable place for those who have no homes to go to spend a few hours. Anyone wishing to join the club or wishing to donate a subscription can do so by applying to the secretary.

Allison Woods has begun to erect a building on the lot between the tinsmith shop and the Cariboo Exchange Hotel. He will conduct a first-class restaurant, serving meals at all hours. "Alec" is well known in Ashcroft and through the country and should be able to get a share of the trade.

A good wagon road runs from Ashcroft to Quesnelle, 220 miles, which is the road intending prospectors, who wish to go overland to the Yukon will have to take, as it is the only practical overland route. From Qeesnelle the old telegraph trail is in fairly good condition and plenty of feed grows along the trail. The coast papers have had their attention drawn to the fact that a good wagon road exists, starting from Ashcroft and going into the Cariboo country, but still they are harping on the construction of a wagon road to join the Cariboo wagon road at Bridge creek. The Colonist of Victoria has devoted space the last few days to Wm. Humphrey's idea of the old trail into the northern districts, but as they are too narrow minded and prejudiced we cannot spare the time or space for them. The coast papers might without hurting their own route condescend to mention the fact that the above road is in good condition and was built thirty years ago and has been kept in good repair ever since.

D. O'Hara returned from a month's visit to the coast cities on business and pleasure.

Andy Walters, of the Cariboo Exchange hotel was up at Kamloops this week on business.

William Walker and Miss Mary Walker, of the Bonaparte were visitors at Ashcroft Wednesday.

A party of young people gave Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker and family of the Bonaparte a surprise Monday evening.

J. H. Riddell, professor of classics in Westley college at Winnipeg, has been asked to accept the position of principal of the Columbian college at New Westminster.

A ladies' gold watch and chain was lost last Friday afternoon in Ashcroft. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it with Walter Shaw at Foster's store.

John D. Sibbald has received the appointment of gold commissioner and government agent for the north riding of West Kootenay in place of J. D. Graham, resigned.

G. W. Debeck returned last Saturday night from a visit to the Golden Cache mine. The cleanup will take place in a few days, the delay being on account of getting in a full run.

James Murphy arrived up from Victoria last Saturday evening and spent Sunday in town visiting his brother, Denis Murphy, leaving for home at the 141-Mile House Monday morning by stage.

J. R. Mitchell, superintendent of the B.C. Development Company's mines visited the Rivers group on the Bonaparte, Tuesday. Returning to town he left the same evening for the Boundary creek district.

The marriage of John Hyland, of Telegraph Creek, a well-known resident of Victoria, to Miss Winnifred Phillips, daughter of J. P. M. Phillips, of San Francisco, was celebrated in the Bay City Monday evening.

At a meeting of the directors of the Excelsior Gold Mining Company held at Vancouver, last Monday, arrangements were made for the treatment of 20 tons of ore at the Golden Cache mill.

The survey of the Hootalinqua River has been completed by Mr. St. Cyr, the government engineer, who reports that it is navigable for its whole length from Teslin lake to Lewis river. Some parties who could not get to Dawson are wintering on this river.

R. B. Skinner, who has purchased the Forty Thieves group of claims on Bridge river left for Vancouver last Saturday in company with his mining expert, who has been up looking at the property. Both men are well pleased with the result of their visit.

The New Westminster municipal election last Monday resulted in the election of Alderman Ovens as mayor. Ovens polled 195 votes, Kearg 184 and Hill 164. The council were elected as nominated. McKenzie, Boggs and Cunningham were elected as school trustees.

The committee in charge of the skating rink have announced that a grand masquerade carnival will be held on the skating rink on Wednesday evening, December 29th. It is hoped that the fine weather will continue so as to have the rink in good condition. All skaters should get in and have their costumes ready and make it a grand success and eclipse former years.

Word has been received from R. T. Ward, from San Francisco, secretary of the Horsefly Gold Mining Company, whose works are at Horsefly river, B.C., that satisfactory arrangements have made to carry the company's indebtedness, and accordingly assessment No. 2, of 90 cents per share on the company's capital stock, has been rescinded by order of the board of directors.

Reports from Lillooet says that work on the Ida May and Ben d'Or group of claims in being continued and both properties are showing up well. Mr. Gibson, manager of the Ida May is at present in Vancouver. When he left the tunnel was in 52 feet; the ledge is widening out and is all good ore, with plenty of free gold visible, and a full force of men are working night and day. The company have just completed the purchase of the Trio mineral claim adjoining the Ida May, making three in one group. On the Trio there is a good ledge similar to that on the Ida May.

Fred W. Valleau, manager of the B. C. Developing company at Lillooet, whose claims are on the opposite side of Cayoosh creek from the Golden Cache, arrived in town last Saturday evening on his way to Vancouver for a few weeks visit. The company owns five claims and has a gang of men working on them for the last few months doing development work. The work has closed down for a few weeks until the return of Mr. Valleau from Vancouver. Mr. Valleau has spent three seasons in the Omenica and northern districts and is confident of rich strikes being made there. The trail from Quesnelle up as far as he has been is good and very little trouble was experienced in getting through. The Ashcroft overland route is bound to come to the front, as the advantages obtained by the prospector in going overland are not available on the water routes. Mr. Valleau will probably spend part of next season in the northern districts.

The Vancouver city council Monday night killed the music hall by-law.

Philip Parke, the well-known Bonaparte rancher, is at the coast on a visit.

Mrs. James Cohen has been confined to her bed for the past week but is now convalescent.

The C. P. R., authorities have about decided upon Field as the divisional point, instead of Donald.

Mrs. Charles Haddock, who has been seriously ill for the past couple of weeks we are sorry to report is no better.

From the appearance of the stock it is quite evident that Santa Claus is going to Klondike and will outfit at Foster's.

Don't forget to take in the Clinton ball on Thursday and Friday evenings, January 6th and 7th, 1898. The committee in charge will no doubt make it a grand success.

Papers were served on Thomas Roadley at Kamloops last Friday by Mayor Gordon, claiming $5,000 damages for slanderous utterances at Wednesday evenings public meeting.

McGillivray Brothers, proprietors of the 59-Mile House, will give a social dance at their house on Wednesday evening, December 22nd. A good time will be had and everybody is welcome.

A Yakima editor, in reeponse to the question "Do hogs pay?" said: "A great many do not. They will take the paper for several years and then some day the paper will be sent back refused."

Mr. Joseph Martin, of Vancouver, is at Ottawa and had an interview with the Hon. David Mills. It is said that the question of the vacant judgship in British Columbia was the subject under consideration at the interview.

Miss Hamilton, who has been visiting Mrs. Dodd at Stanley for some time arrived down last Saturday evening accompanied by Mrs. Dodd and after visiting friends in Ashcroft continued on their way to California, where they will spend the winter.

A very pleasant party of Ashcroft young people spent Thursday evening at the Perry ranch visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard and Mr. and Mrs. George Blair. Two sleigh loads left Ashcroft shortly after 6 o'clock, returning shortly after midnight,

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lewis, the latter of whom has been keeping house for Mrs. F. S. Reynolds during her absence, returned to their former boarding house, Mrs. James Newland's, on Thursday. Mrs. Reynolds' thanks are due Mrs. Lewis for her kindness.

Miss L. Wardell and Mrs. H. P. Lewis will open up business in the dressmaking line shortly and have secured rooms at Mrs. Burns' residence. Both ladies are experienced in the dressmaking business and will be able to fill any orders intrusted to them. Miss Wardell is well known in Ashcroft and vicinity and will no doubt receive good patronage from her many friends.

Last Friday evening the children of the public school gathered at the residence of Mrs. James Nowland, the occasion being the presentation of an address and a set of poems and travelling case to their teacher, Mr. David Anderson, who was leaving for a visit to his home in Westminster. Mr. Anderson has been in very poor health for some time and it is hoped by his many friends in Ashcroft that he will have a speedy recovery.

"Overland to Klondike," through Cariboo, Omenica and Cassiar, a 60-page pamphlet, will be sent out within a few days from this office. It is nicely illustrated and will give satisfaction to those interested in forwarding the interest of the overland route. Several thousand copies have been ordered by each of the different railroad lines interested, and the book will have wide circulation. The engravings were expensive and took time, and have in fact accounted for the delay in getting out the work. Those who wish to order a number of hundred will be furnished them at cost. The cost will be made known soon. All advertisers will receive copies within a few days.

A Cariboo correspondent of the Vancouver News-Advertiser writes: The want of a telegraph or telephone line between the 150-Mile House and the Forks of Quesnelle is much felt by those interested in the various mining companies around the Forks. Anyone wishing to communicate rapidly with the latter place can use the telegraph to the 150-Mile House, but from this point a message can only be transmitted by mail once a week to the Forks, occasionally a delay in transmission of nearly 48 hours, as the message only reaches Big Lake, 24 miles, the following day, and is delivered at the Forks, 32 miles further on, the next afternoon. For this delay in the journey, bad roads are responsible. Unless the message happens to hit off even, a special messenger, at a cost of $25 for the trip, has to be engaged. It seems hardly credible that in so important a section of Cariboo, where very large sums of money are being expended, and most important works are in progress, such a state of things can exist. A speedy remedy could be found either by extending the telegraph line or by laying a telephone line from the 150-Mile House. If the latter project, provincial assistance should be forthcoming.

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I beg to announce to the public that I will open up in a few days a full stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, and Boots and Shoes in the Johnson building, and trust that I will receive a share of the patronage and support of the people of Ashcroft.

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Third Annual Ball

—TO BE HELD—

Dec. 30 and 31, 1897

—AT—

QUESNELLE, B.C.

Committee of Arrangement—F. Hofercamp, James McIsaac, D. F. M. Perkins.
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Tickets for both nights $5.00.
All are cordially invited to attend. 3114

Klondike. Cariboo.

The undersigned offer for sale their well-known pack train consisting of the following:

60 head of pack mules with complete outfit of packing rigging with each mule.

5 head of riding mules with saddles, etc., etc.

8 head of 4 year old mules with or without packing outfit. These latter are only halter broke.

1 only bell mare with saddle, etc. goes with train.

This is without doubt the most complete packing outfits in B. C. and is for sale "en bloc." For terms, etc., apply to

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A SITTING OF THE COUNTY COURT of Cariboo will be held at Ashcroft, B.C., on Monday, the 10th day of January, A.D. 1898, at the hour of 11 a.m.

By Order,
JOSEPH WM. BURR,
Deputy Registrar,
C.C. of Cariboo.
Ashcroft, B.C., Dec. 9, 1897. 3215

In the County Court of Cariboo

HOLDBN AT ASHCROFT STATION.

BETWEEN

F. W. Foster, of Ashcroft Station, Merchant, Plaintiff,

—AND—

Edward L. Hart, formerly of Chilcotin, Merchant

TAKE NOTICE that a plaint has been entered and a summons issued against you in the above county court by F. W. Foster, of Ashcroft Station, for the sum of $23.08 for goods sold and delivered, and an order has been made that publication of a notice of the entry of such plaint in the British Columbia Mining Journal shall be deemed to be service of the summons upon you.

The summons will be heard at Ashcroft Station on the 10th day of January next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, on which day you are required to appear, and if you do not appear either in person or by your solicitor at the time and place above mentioned such order will be made and proceedings taken as the judge may think just and expedient.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1897.

JOSEPH WM. BURR,
Deputy Registrar.

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XMAS GIFTS!

SUITABLE FOR

The Ladies
(In Celluloid) Albums, Photo Boxes, Jewel Cases, Toilet and Manicure Sets combined, Work Boxes, Toilet Sets, Glove and Handkerchief Sets, Perfume Bottles and Cases, etc.

The Gentlemen
(In Celluloid) Collar and Cuff Sets, Shaving Sets, etc. (In Leather) Collar and Cuff sets, Traveling Toilet Sets, etc., Cased Pipes, Ink Stands, Photo Frames, Mouth Organs, etc.

The Boys and Girls
Laundry Set, Bureau, Stove and Furniture, Sad Irons (improved), Sock Boxes, Soldiers, Noah's Arks, Nine Pins, Games of Fort, Parlor Croquet, Golf, Messenger Boy, Donkey, Nellie Bly, Halma, Parcheesi, Nations, Authors, Population, Tiddledy Winks, Lotto, In Castle Land, Maple Grove, Seega, Golden Locks, Little Red Riding Hood, etc.

☞ Calendars, Christmas and New Year Cards in choice variety.

CLEMENTS, The Ashcroft Druggist

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STAGE TRAVEL.

CLINTON and way points—Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
ALL POINTS IN CARIBOO—Monday.
LILLOOET direct—Monday and Friday.
Through and return tickets at reduced rates. Special conveyances furnished.

BRITISH COLUMBIA EXPRESS Company, Ltd

Ashcroft, B.C., November 13, 1897.
While business offers, an extra stage will leave Ashcroft every Friday morning for 150-Mile House, returning leaves 150-Mile House on Wednesday morning.

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The undersigned having just laid in a large and well selected stock of

Groceries, Clothing, Boots and Shoes Mining Outfits, and a General assortment of Hardware.

is prepared to give good satisfaction in prices and quality of goods as the following will show:

No. 1 Rice	$8	per 100 pounds.
Extra "	9	" "
Granulated sugar	9.25	" "
Granulated sugar in 10 lb sacks	1.00	
Bacon, clear sides smoked	16½	cents lb.
Beans	6½	"
Flour Hungarian and X X X X	$65	

Other goods equally low.

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Will do well to examine our Stock and Prices.

☞ Correspondence solicited and information given to parties contemplating a trip to the gold mines of British Columbia and the Yukon district.