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SPIDER SPINS SILVER WEB FOR PAT DALY

Newly Acquired Property of R. W. Wood Proving One of Local Sensations---Yields Wire Silver.

Large Chuuk of High-grade Now on Exhibition at Stewart Mining Headquarters--- Specimen May Go to Vancouver.

Spider Group was Turned Over to Wood by Bob Martin Last April---Pat Daly has Small Force Working.

A beautiful sample of ore from the Spider group, containing wire silver and well covered with the white metal, was brought in for the Portland Canal Prospectors' Association exhibit on Thursday. This ore was struck during the week, and it is reported here that Pat Daly, who is in charge of the Spider group, estimates that $10,000 worth of ore was blown down in three shots. The deal on the Spider group was made this spring by R. W. Martin of the Mineral Hill, who took the Spider under o tion for $30,000 and then turned it over to R. W. Wood, president of the Premier Mining Co., that owns the famous Premier mine. Mr. Martin retains an interest in the ground. It seems a coincidence that Pat Daly, the man who brought R. K. Neill, of the Premier, into the country, should be the man to strike another rich one, and, also, that Mr. Wood, who is such a large holder in the Premier, should have more wealth figuratively thrust upon him.

Pat Daly was down from the Spider group during the week and reported that some splendid ore has been exposed. He has a force of seven men at work. Three veins have been found. Two of them are small, one being two and a half feet of high grade ore, another showing 18 inches of high grade and another big vein measuring 24 feet across. These showings are being exposed by surface cutting.

Bankers Take Notice.

H. G. Lee, manager of the Bank of Montreal at Prince Rupert, arrived on the Sunday boat to look the district over in response to an invitation from the Stewart Citizens' Association. It begins to look as if a bank will locate a branch here in the course of a few days.

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WIRE SERVICE FOR STEWART

Telegraph instruments are being installed in the Rattray building on Fifth street for use of the Government Telegraph Service. F. W. Dowling, in charge of this district, came here and completed arrangements. The installation of this service will be of much local benefit. While ths service in the past has been good enough for a smaller settlement, the growth of Stewart in the past few months has made it very difficult to get along with the old telephone communication with Anyox, to which point all messages had to be 'phoned and then put on the wire from that point.

A crew of men is also at work on the line along the mountainside, putting it in shape and generally improving it. Snowslides in the winter and rockslides occasionally interfere with the line, and efforts are being made to so place the poles as to minimize this trouble.

INCREASE FORCE ON BIG MISSOURI

About eighteen men are now employed at the Big Missouri, including the diamond drill crew. Preparations for continuing active operations this winter are being ma e. Log cabins will be erected, and the logs for these have been cut and peeled.

Work in the tunnel is progressing satisfactoril . The tunnel has been driven a distance of about fifty feet. Reports from the diamond drill indicate that satisfactory progress is b ing made, the hole being more than 200 feet and in ore.

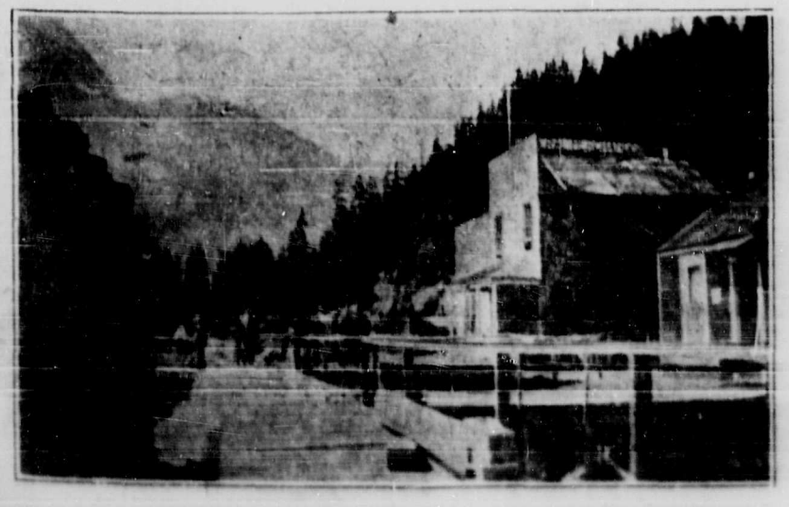
Bridge Across Glacier Creek.

In order to make it easier to get to the Ben Holt property, on Glacier Creek, the trail has been slashed for a distance of three miles, a new footbridge made and a log trail across the creek for horses. Sir Donald Mann is the owner of this property. It is understood it is not the intention to begin work there as yet, but the work is to make it easier to visit the property for examination and sampling when desired. Engineers visited the Ben Bolt two weeks ago and found it rather hard work getting to the property.

Canon Rix Coming.

According to a message received from Rev. Rushbrook today, Canon Rix will arrive in Stewart tomorrow and will take the services at the local church on Sunday. Canon Rix is a powerful preacher.

A View of the Main Street of Hyder.



THE town of Hyder, on the Alaska side of the boundary line, is having a small sized boom just at present, and various business enterprises are starting. This is a good picture of a part of the main street, looking up Salmon River valley. The present town is built on piling on the mud flats, owing to the fact that Dan Lindeborg, back in 1910, when the boom was on in this vicinity, would not plat his homestead into lots. The result was that those who settled in what was then known as Portland City had to build their houses on stilts in front of the homestead. Mr. Lindeborg, however, has lately laid his homestead out in lots, which are in demand.

WIRE TROUBLE—Wires are down again today and the usual world news did not reach this office.

Build Road Through Solid Rock.

THIS picture shows a portion of the Stewart-Salmon River ore highway, extending from the end of the long ap roach between Stewart and the wharf, to the Alaska boundary, where it will connect with the road up Salmon River va ley. It is expected this road will be completed in a few weeks. It is orly a mile or so long, but is around the edge of a granite mountain, and the estimated cost is $30,000.

STEWART LOCAL NOTES

R. E. Allen, of the B. C. Forestry Service, and G. B. Robb, of the G. T. P., were visitors this week.

Mrs. C. Stoner will open the Hyder Cafe next week. Everyth ng will be first class.

Among Stewart visitors this week were F. K. Hunt, auditor of the Prince Rupert Shipbuilding & Drydock Company, and Messrs. McLeod and Cotter, of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

H. J. Fetter, of the Mineral Hill Mining Syndicate, arrived from Seattle on Sunday.

J. E. Monro has returned from Anyox.

H. F. Anderson of Sandon is a late arrival.

John Mellor, the merchant, has received a fine stock of silks, ribbons, voiles, cretons and curtain materials.

Mrs. H. C. Magee and son, of Vancouver, joined Mr. Magee here last Sunday and expect to remain a month more.

O. B. Maybee of Vancouver a rived on Thursday's boat.

Ed Ehrenberg, M. E., went south on Thursday's boat.

Dr. R. E. Page went to Prince Rupert on the last boat.

Guy W. Davis, representing Canadian Explosives, returned from a trip to Salmon River properties this week.

Thomas E. Jefferson, mining man, who is at present operating in the Telkwa district, arrived on Sunday.

Jack Lade, oue of the pioneers of the 1910 excitement here, returned on the Sunday boat.

J. A. McDowell arrived from Vancouver on Sunday.

E. C. Shaughnessy came over from Prince Rupert this week.

William S. Orr of Hyder was a Stewart visitor this week.

Roy Price, soperintendent for the Granby at the Swamp Point line quarries visited Stewart this week.

E. C. Campbell, mine manager at Anyox, accompanied by Prof. Austen Bancroft of McGill, visited Salmon River properties this week.

George A. Fraser of the Stewart Drug Co. returned from Victoria on the Wednesday boat.

The Canada Copper Corporation's new property at Copper Mountain, near Princeton, ranks third in the copper mines of the British Empire, having over 10,000,000 tons of ore in reserve.

John Smallwood, owner of the King George V. mineral claim at Eagle creek near Nelson, is developing the middle of three veins on the property by surface work, having to date sunk 12 feet on the vein and finding some good ore. He proposes to continue the sinking to a depth of 40 to 50 feet. In addition to this gold property, Mr. Smallwood is owner of the gold-copper Abalone mineral claim at Beasley, on which he expects to start work, with a couple of men, at the end of the month, to continue development work. He states he has a good tunnel site, from which eventually to crosscut to depth.

New School Teacher.

Miss Dorothy Thompson, who has been engaged to teach the Stewart school, arrived from Victoria on the Thursday boat.

Montana Men Here.

A. W. and Avery Robison, the former from Southern Cross and the latter from Great Falls, Mont., arrived on Sunday.

New Boat Schedule.

Commencing on Thursday, the schedule of the Grand Trunk Pacific boats was changed, and hereafter a boat will arrive in Stewart every Wednesday night, leaving Thursday morning. It is the intention that the Prince Albert will leave Vancover on alternate Fridays with the Prince John for Prince Rupert direct, transacting such business as may be assigned to her, arriving in Prince Rupert in time to take up her schedule.

Crawled In and Crawled Out.

A young man giving the name of William Sutherland caused a bit of local excitement in town last week by causing the summonsing of local merchants for failure to have revenue stamps on pills they purchased. It turned out he was a spotter of the Internal Revenue Department. He also collected on a couple of illicit whiskey stills.

The property of the Georgia River Mining Co. at Georgia River, down the canal a few miles from Stewart, was visited this week by E. J. Conway, field engineer for Granby.

Completes Survey.

F. S. Falconer, head of the topographical and geological survey party which has been working in the Salmon River section this season, has returned to Stewart, the work, which was along the ridge dividing Bear River from Salmon River, having been completed.

C. P. R. Agent on Visit.

W. C. Orchard, general agent for the Canadian Pacific at Prince Rupert, came in on the Prince Albert Wednesday night and returned on Thursday. It is suspected he was "s z ng things up" on behalf of his company.

Fine Airdale Comes.

Roy Moseley, proprietor of the King Edward hotel, received a fine Airdale dog from the south on the last boat. They say the pup has a pedigree as the canal

Although mining has ceased at the Granby, a considerable number of men, upwards of 50, are still employed at the property. The big shovel and two crushers have been removed, also part of the compressor plant which has not been in use for a long time. It is stated unofficially that mining in a limited way will be continued at the Granby for some time.
—Grand Forks Gazette.

STEADY WORK AT BUSH MINE

Grant Mabood has returned fr m the property of the Bush Mines, Ltd., where mining development is disclosing some splendid high-grade silver ore. It is expected this property will go on the shipping list this winter.

Msy Start Sawmill.

Among the passengers of the Prince Albert southbound on hursday was E. R. Workman, who may return with a sawmill outfit to set up in Stewart. A mill is becoming necessary here on account of the considerable amount of building which is going on and the demand which is bound to increase, especially next season. Mr. Workman is interested in nearby timber limits and is also a practical sawmill man. It was he who set up the sawmill plant at the Premier mine.

Ketchican Paper Man Here.

Bernard M. Stone, business man of the Ketchlkan (Alaska) Chronicle, was a Stewart visitor last week, having come over to see Hyder and the developments up Salmon River. Mr. Stone was greatly impressed by the prospects of a lively town at Hyder and was amazed by the mining development up the Salmon. He visited the great Premier and other mines.

High-Grade From Spider.

Some very rich samples of high-grade silver ore have been brought down from the Spider group during the week. It is reported a considerable body of this character of ore has been exposed by the surface work which is under way.

George Winkler of Victoria left for the south on Thursday.

Glenn L. Thompson, M. E., of Seattle, left for the south on Thursday.

Chas. Sangster is an arrival from Vancouver.

D. J. Macdonald of Hyder was over during the week.

W. C. Barron and family of Prince Rupert came in on the last boat.

James H. Thomas of Ladysmith is among the week's arrivals.

Charles Wilson of Victoria is among the arrivals at the King Edward.

DOMINION MEMBER FOR DISTRICT

LT. COL. C. W. PECK, V. C., D. S. O., M. P., is one of the most popular men in the north country. He visited Stewart last week and delivered a short address to a gathering of citizens. During his stay here he inspected the mining development and was highly impressed with what he saw.

WILL PUT DRILL ON PROPERTY OF FORTY-NINE

Second Diamond Drill in District Will Soon be Making Test of Forty-Nine Ore Body Which is Rich on Surface.

Values Believed to Continue at Depth Which Drill will Ascertain---Owned by the Silverman Crowd.

Mining Operations Being Vigorously Pushed---Good Winter Camp has Already Been Established.

The Forty-Nine Mining Co. has decided to determine the extent of the ore body on its claims on Salmon River by diamond drill, and accordingly another of the Boyle Bros.' drill outfits will shortly arrive from Anyox. The Forty-Nine has always been considered one of the best properties in Salmon River section. It has the best surface showing, it is stated.

Active work has been under way at this property for some time under direction of Harry Howson. A tunnel is being driven and cabins have been erected, so that by the time snow flies the camp will be snug against the elements, with inside work for the miners and a comfortable bunkhouse.

The Forty-Nine comprises a group of two claims. They were located some years ago by the Lindeborg brothers. The tunnel has been driven approximately forty feet. Several open cuts expose veins containing high values in silver.

G.T.P. OFFICIAL TELLS OF VISIT

What Capt. C. H. Nicholson, manager of the G. T. P. Coast Steamship Service, thinks of this part of the province he tells in a long interview published in coast papers. The conservative captain waxes most enthusiastic in his description of the mining development, the great mineral showings, and does not overlook the marvelous scenic wonders. Captain Nicholsen gives a very comprehensive description of the Premier mine workings. He says in part:

"At Prince Rupert we were joined by Mr. R. Beaumont, superintendent of the steamship company at that point, and left early on Saturday afternoon for Stewart by the regular weekly service established by our company to accommodate the rapidly increasing demands of the new territory. On board were Mr. Sam Silverman, a prominent mining man from New York, and many other parties interested in the district. We reached Stewart early on Sunday morning. This town is the scene of former mining activities, and lies about two miles from the little Alaska village of Hyder just across the boundary line and at the mouth of the Salmon River. We found a large gang of men employed by the Provincial Government in the construction of a good road between Stewart and the international boundary, which the Alaska authorities will complete into the village of Hyder.

"The Salmon River, as far as our course took us along its shore, is a rushing mountain stream of considerable proportions and volume, winding itself through a valley whose mountain sides rise in abrupt grandeur to sheer heights of from 4,000 to 6,000 and 7,000 feet. This valley is compartively flat until we reached the Nine Mile, where a nice piece of level ground opens up a considerable area, which has been acquired by the Premier Mine, and at a camp established, which forms a transfer station in the transportation system already established for the delivery of supplies to the mines and ore shipments."

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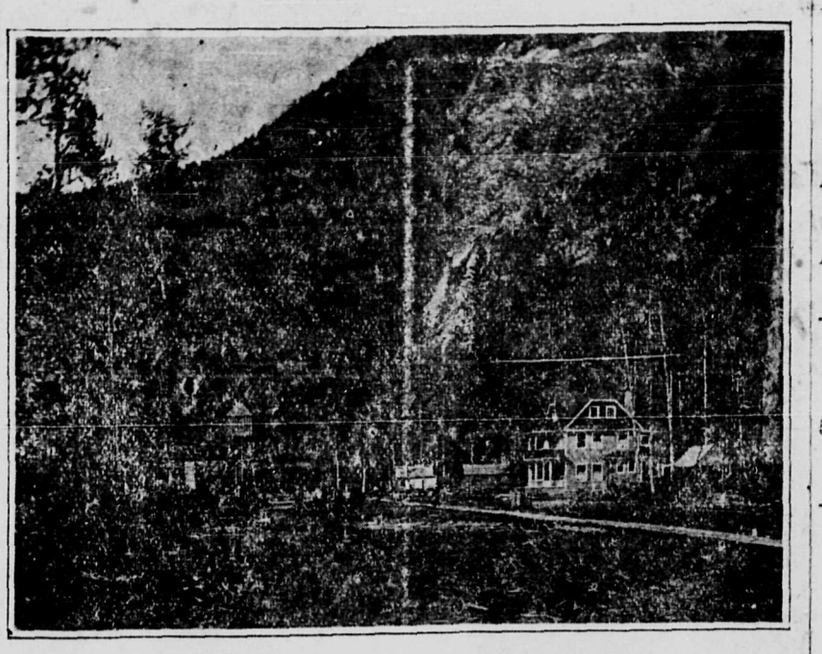
The visit of Lt. Col. C. W. Peck, V. C., D. S. O., M. P., last week is appreciated generally by the citizens of Stewart, among whom he is well known and who feel assured that he acquired while here a better knowledge of conditions and our needs. Col. Peck, among other of his experiences, had the pleasure of dodging the holes in the long approach to the wharf. Were it not for the fact that there seems to be a difference of opinion among our two governments as to which shall adopt this approach for the future, Col. Peck, no doubt, would have seen to it before this that a measure of repair at least were put in. However, when there is no certainty as to who owns a thing, it is rather difficult to get action. Probably were somebody to sort of pre-empt the approach, and start in using parts of it for firewood, both governments would immediately evince a proprietary interest. It is a serious subject with the people of Stewart and the Portland Canal district. A heavy tonnage of supplies passes over this wharf every time a boat comes in—and that is from two to three times a week, for, in addition to the large steamers which come once a week, there are launches which bring freight. It has been pointed out before that not only is the approach not safe to horses, on account of the rotten planking, but it is dangerous as well for pedestrians, who have to keep their weather eye open or go through and suffer, if not a broken leg at least a badly barked shin, which is about as bad. It seems a pity that this much needed repair should not be under way now, for the Dominion government by next month no doubt will be building a new wharf, and in the course of the next few weeks, it is hoped, the Stewart-Salmon River ore highway will be well on toward completion if not entirely finished.

In the course of a week or two we will publish the correct story of the Premier mine, about which so much is heard and much of the history of which property is shrouded somewhat in mystery as to the true facts of how the mine was lost by a New York engineer and found by R. K. Neill, the vice-president of the company which is now operating. Many strange features are concerned with the history of this mine, especially from the engineering standpoint, for it may be pointed out here that engineers err at times, and in the case of the Premier, the error, or mistaken judgment, or whatever one may call it, came near leaving undeveloped what probably is the greatest silver property on the continent. But it is just such mistakes as add to the romance of the mining world. Just as many a prospector walked over the big mineral showing on the surface of this property, engineers worked away from the body of ore underneath the surface. The story, explained by a sketch of the proceedings as well, is worth keeping, for the world is beginning to hear about this great silver mine, which figured most conservately as to tonnage and values per ton gives startling results as to the possible amount of money which may be produced. We may add that, with a limited capacity ourselves, speaking of production from a newspaper standpoint, if our readers desire extra copies of the number containing the romantic story of the Premier mine, they should order early.

View of Stewart Hospital Now Open.



The announcement from the offices of the Grand Trunk Pacific Coast Steamship Company of a betterment in the service is very welcome to a community which is growing so steadily as Stewart and the head of Portland Canal. Either the steamers Prince John or Prince Albert will call regularly each week. It seems not so many weeks ago when things were so quiet in this part of the world that the boats called only on occasion.

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PROPOSE NEW SILVER EXCHANGE

A well-defined movement is on foot to establish a Silver Exchange in New York, with the ultimate purpose of wresting the world's silver market from London for New York, where, it is argued, it logically belongs.

Mining Truth believes this movement to be of such great importance to silver producers of the Northwest and to the future commerce and trade of this particular section, that it devotes generous space to the subject, in the hope that producers and bankers will be induced to take an active interest in the movement and thus help themselves while serving the best interests of the nation.

Objects of Silver Exchange.

The objects of the proposed New York Silver Exchange are: 1. To trade in the metal on the floor and through the medium of the exchange; 2. To trade in the metal, not only for spot, but for time; 3. To fix the price the Far East.
of the metal from day to day; 4. To provide a clearing house of information, from all parts of the world, for benefit of members; 5. To bring the miner, smelter, dealer and consumer together, so that they may see that their interests do not conflict, may gain a wider horizon, and better adjust occasional differences; 6. To make joint efforts at the present period of reconstruction, when silver will play a large part in the currency of the world, and maintain the lead which the United States has attained, more by chance than by effort; to keep watch over legislation in Washington, as well as other countries, with regard to silver, and in every way make concerted effort to protect the interests of the white metal.

Reasons for Establishment.

Those who are behind the movement in New York advance the following reasons for establishment of the Silver Exchange:

1. The United States is the chief producer of metal. In 1918 the world's total was 165 million ounces, and of that total this country produced 67 million. Then, too, the United States controls for all practical purposes, the productions of Mexico and Canada, and if we include these, this country's part of the grand total of 165 million amounts to 137 million, whereof about 110 million was dealt in in New York, the balance of 27 million in San Francisco and other places.

2. America is as near the consuming centers as London. Therefore, consumers save additional freight and insurance by dealing directly with New York, and are already beginning to see the advantages of direct buying.

3. New York is becoming the financial center of the world. Producer and consumer will therefore get better accommodation here than in any other place. The trend will naturally be for all parties to come to this market for dealings in the metal; the establishment of the exchange will only facilitate the process.

4. That our producers should be dependent on operations in markets abroad, which neither produce nor consume silver, is an anomalous state of affairs and must be corrected. The proposed exchange will correct it.

5. The demand for the white metal is now no longer altogether from India and China; the currency difficulties arising out of war finance have created situations in almost all countries which entail demand for silver. All will naturally gravitate to the producing markets, and it would be folly in us not to be prepared.

6. For the first time in the history of the silver trade, our producers and dealers are in direct touch with the consumers. In 1918, exports to China and India were six times the total of exports to the United Kingdom. Formerly, practically all our metal was exported to London, which market in turn distributed it throughout the world.

7. Our banking has taken vast strides, and banks in the United States are anxious to extend the sphere of their operations. That they should finance silver dealers and accommodate producers and consumers inevitably follows.

8. Our merchants, like our banks, are extending their operations to the East. Imports to China, although sold on a gold basis, are calculated on a silver basis by the Chinese dealer. Consequently, the American exporter must follow the silver market if he is to succeed. He must also operate, as the Manchester dealers have done for a long time past. The exchange is a necessity for our trade with China and

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Synopsis of Land Act Amendments

Minimum price of first-class land reduced to $5 an acre; second-class to $2.50 an acre.

Pre-emption now confined to surveyed lands only.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes and which is non-timber land.

Partnership pre-emptions abolished, but parties of not more than four may arrange for adjacent pre-emptions with joint residence, but each making necessary improvements on respective claims.

Pre-emptors must occupy claims for five years and make improvements to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivation of at least 5 acres, before receiving Crown Grant.

Where pre-emptor in occupation not less than 3 years, and has made proportionate improvements, he may, because of ill-health, or other cause, be granted intermediate certificate of improvement and transfer his claim.

Records without permanent residence may be issued, provided applicant makes improvements to extent of $300 per annum and records same each year. Failure to make improvements or record same will operate as forfeiture. Title cannot be obtained in less than 5 years, and improvements of $10.00 per acre, including 5 acres cleared and cultivated, and residence of at least 2 years are required.

Pre-emptor holding Crown grant may record another pre-emption, if he requires land in conjunction with his farm, without actual occupation, provided statutory improvements made and residence maintained on Crown granted land.

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites; title to be obtained after fulfilling residential and improvement conditions.

For grazing and industrial purposes areas exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or company.

Mill, factory or industrial sites on timber land not exceeding 40 acres may be purchased; conditions include payment of stumpage.

Natural hay meadows inaccessible by existing roads may be purchased conditional upon construction of a road to them. Rebate of one-half of cost of road, not exceeding half of purchase price, is made.

PRE-EMPTORS' FREE GRANTS ACT.

The scope of this Act is enlarged to include all persons joining and serving with His Majesty's Forces. The time within which the heirs or devisees of a deceased pre-emptor may apply for title under this Act is extended from for one year from the death of such person, as formerly, until one year after the conclusion of the present war. This privilege is also made retroactive.

No fees relating to pre-emptions are due or payable by soldiers on pre-emptions recorded after June 26, 1918. Taxes are remitted for five years.

Provision for return of moneys accrued, due and been paid since August 4, 1914, on account of payments, fees or taxes on soldiers' pre-emptions.

Interest on agreements to purchase town or city lots held by members of Allied Forces, or dependents, acquired direct or indirect, remitted from enlistment to March 31, 1920.

SUB-PURCHASERS OF CROWN LANDS.

Provision made for issuance of Crown Grants to sub-purchasers of Crown Lands, acquiring rights from purchasers who failed to complete purchase, involving forfeiture, on fulfilment of conditions of purchase, interest and taxes. Where sub-purchasers do not claim whole of original parcel, purchase price due and taxes may be distributed proportionately over whole area. Applications must be made by May 1, 1920.

GRAZING.

Grazing Act, 1919, for systematic development of livestock industry provides for grazing districts and range administration under Commissioner. Annual grazing permits issued based on numbers ranged; priority for established owners. Stock-owners may form Associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits for settlers, campers or travellers, up to ten head.

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FROM OTHER CAMPS.

Ore shipments will commence in a few days from the Mountain Chief at Renata.

The tunnel in the property of the Molly Gibson Burnt Basin Mining Co. at Paulson, near Rossland, has been in ore for ten feet and the ore continues to improve.

The Standard Silver-Lead Mining Co. doubled its milling operations on Aug. 1, says a Silverton report.

The Index mine on the south fork of Kaslo creek will be shipping ore by the last of September. The vein is from six inches to 42 inches wide and carries silver values of from $100 to $333 per per ton and a high percentage of lead.

T. J. Corwin, manager of the Aberdeen Mines Syndicate, is at Merritt arranging for the unwatering of the Aberdeen mine on Ten Mile creek.

The Electric Point Mining Co., largest lead producer in Washington, has added another source of ore to its mineral assets. The new ore body was struck several weeks ago.

A crew is being put to work at the Gold Cure mine on the south fork of Kaslo creek.

The McAllister, near Three Forks, is again in operation.

This year the smelter at Midvale, Utah, has treated much Slocan ore.

There promises to be much platinum mining along the Tulameen River.

A strike at a depth of 242 feet is reported from the Molly Gibson near Paulson.

James Dunsmuir was in the Slocan this month inspecting the Noble Five.

The magnesite plant at Chewelah, Wash., is again treating 500 tons daily.

After being shut down for 15 years operations have been resumed on the Bluebird in the Slocan.

In the Copper King near Whitehorse four feet of bornite has been struck that assays over 40 per cent copper.

Operations have been resumed on the evening Star near Slocan City, and the Silver Nugget near Silverton.

It is reported that the coke plant operated by the Granby at Anyox cost $2,700,000, and have a capacity of 270 tons daily.

Some bornite has been struck in the Mountain Chief at Reneta. The mine is resuming shipments.

Last year 23 mines in the Ainsworth district shipped ore. Total shipments amounted to 17,000 tons.

About 50 men are working in the mines near Beaverdell. The Sally employs about 15 men and the Bell about the same.

If a sufficient water supply can be obtained the Consolidated will probably build a concentrator in Rossland with a daily capacity of 5000 tons.

Missouri is making an effort to have the United States increase the duty on zinc. The States wants protection against zinc from Mexico and Germany.

James Dunsmuir owns the Black Prince and another claim on the South Fork of Kaslo creek. On one of these he will probably sink a shaft 1000 feet deep.

On the ninth level of the Rambler-Cariboo, in the Slocan, four feet of clear gelena has been recently struck. The snowslides are annoying at this mine in the early spring.

At Cunningham's Alamo mill, in the Slocan, 100 tons of Wonderful ore is being treated daily. Much ore from the Sovereign will be milled when the tram is finished to that property.

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That some bornite has been encountered in the shaft being sunk on the Mountain Chief copper property at Renata, and that shipments of ore to the smelter will commence in a few days, were announcements made last night by J. W. Evans, manager of the Mountain Chief Mining Company, who is in the city, says the Nelson News.

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Trail Smelter Shipments.

Shipments received at the Trail smelter for the first seven months of the year aggregated 210,131 tons. Twenty mines are now shipping there, sixteen being in British Columbia. The mines of the Consolidated are by far the largest producers. Of these the Sullivan leads with 91,665 tons to July 31, the Centre Star at Rossland being the next largest shipper with 47,380 tons.

Britannia is Great Mine.

The Rritannia mine, on Howe Sound, is making the highest production in its history. The mill is treating about 2500 tons a day, and producing about 2,000,000 pounds of copper per month. During the past year new development aggregated 24,595 feet and diamond drilling was done to the extent of 26,682 feet.

Railroad Builder Returns.

Dr. M. W. Bruner, of the Portland Canal-Salmon River Railroad & Terminal Co., returned to Stewart on Sunday and has gone up to Eleven Mile.

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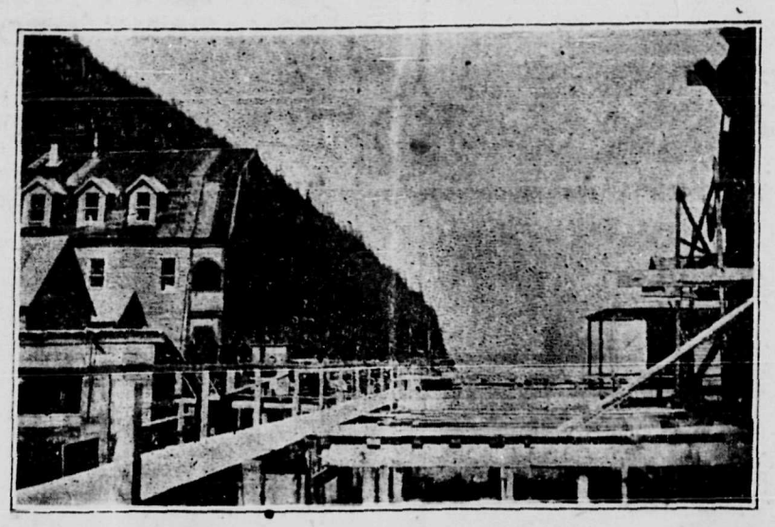

HERE is a good view of a portion of a street in Hyder, about a mile and a half from Stewart. The large building is the Hyder Hotel, run by the popular Bob Jamieson who in the boom days of 1910 was proprietor of the Northern Hotel in Stewart. Hyder at present is having as big a building boom as available lumber will permit. There is a general demand for more lumber.

Meets Many Friends.

R. O. Jennings, formerly superintendent for provincial public works in this district, arrived from Prince Rupert on Sunday. He met many old friends here. While he intended to just make a round trip of it, seeing Stewart's development while the boat layed over, he was induced to remain the whole week.

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