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CLOTHIER'S REPORT ON BEAR RIVER

Following is the sixth installment of Clothier's report and deals with the Bear River section:

Notwithstanding the serious handicap under which this section was placed by the destructive freshets in the early summer, good progress was made by the owners on the different properties and on properties under bond to others. It was unfortunate for the section that the Portland Canal Short Line railway, which had been repaired by the Algunican Development Company under arrangement with D. D. Mann, was washed out in places and put out of commission before any use could be made of it. The government wagon road was also badly damaged and is yet of little service.

Bayview Group—This group originally consisted of two claims, owned by W. A. Cameron and George Cameron of Stewart, but additional claims have been staked by the present bonders and included in the Bayview syndicate holdings. The property was very inaccessible until this year, when a very serviceable horse trail was picked out and built by George Cameron, for the syndicate, from the Bear river bridge to the camp site, at [illegible] feet elevation, a distance by trail of about five miles.

The rock formation in which the veins occur is metamorphosed sedimentaries, lying between the main granite range on the west and a spur from it on the south-east. There are two quartz veins on the property, the lower one varying in width from a seam up to two feet and the upper showing in places a width of six feet of ore. The lower lies along the contact of the granite and the altered sedimentaries striking about 30 degrees east and dipping 65 degrees west into the hill away from the granite. A contract was let for a 100 foot level to be driven, at an elevation of 3700 feet, to cut this vein at a depth of about 80 feet. This work was being done at the time of my examination, and I have since been informed that the ore at any rate mineral, was located. The upper vein is an important showing and should have had the work done on it. From the little that can be seen on the surface, I judge it to be a fissure vein in the schist, consisting of long, thin lenses of mineralized quartz, sulphides and country rock. The mineralization is pyrrhotite, zinc blende, galena and grey copper, from which samples have been picked assaying over 300 oz. silver to the ton. It lies about 600 or 700 feet west of the lower vein and should be attacked by a crosscut driven from a bench a couple of hundred feet below it. The sulphides, at an elevation of [illegible] feet, occur at intervals only in the decomposed schists and are decidedly interesting.

The (Gibson) Group—This group has had a little work done on it this year. One open-cut on a four-foot vein, of which the [illegible] is good looking ore and the balance oxidized material. In another small cut in the same vein a sample across a foot of the best of it gave $134 silver to the ton, while from a small cut below $104 to the ton was obtained. Further work on this vein might open up a worth while shoot of ore. Its location for packing is good, being about half a mile from the Portland Canal mine.

Lakeview Group—Fetter & Carlton, of Seattle, Wash., have had this group of claims under option for a year, during which time work has progressed steadily under the supervision of Al. Harris. There are two veins on the property and both are well explored. The big or main vein was found by further work in the tunnel, which had been driven previously for this purpose without success. Drifting and raising on it proved to be as strong as on the surface, but the values were disappointing.

Attention was then turned to the upper vein, a small quartz vein from which high grade ore had been extracted on the surface by the owners. A 10-foot open cut was made, a tunnel driven on the vein for 25 feet, and a shaft sunk at the open cut to a depth of 57 feet. Values proved satisfactory for a depth of 25 or 30 feet, then becoming spotted and disappointing. The owners refused to give any extension of time for payment due at the time and the bonders decided to abandon it.

Dunwell—Stewart Bros. and W. Noble are the owners of this claim, situated on Glacier creek. A lot of work has been done, by way of ground sluicing and open cutting, that has shown up the vein splendidly for 300 feet or more in length. The rock formation is argillite and the vein the typical, brecciated quartz and country rock variety of that area. The vein strikes north 70 degrees west and dips flatly to the south-east at 38 degrees. The upper cut is probably the best exposed part of the vein, which here shows a width of about six feet, of which four feet on the hanging wall is mainly quartz heavily mineralized with pyrites, galena and zinc blende, the remaining two feet containing more argillite and less quartz and also well mineralized. I had not time to sample the vein and have no information as to the values, but its size and mineralization make it well worth investigating.

The Columbia and Evening Sun claims have been worked all summer by the owner, W. W. Rush, who also worked on the Excelsior and Eagle claims, which were reported on last year.

Prince John Group—Work was continued on these claims this summer by the owners, Nesbitt & Archie.

Fresh milk at Tooth's

A great deal of mining will be done at Vancouver this spring—kalsomining.

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..STEWART LOCAL NEWS..

Poor weather for playing lawn tennis.

There's enough dogs in Stewart and Hyder to keep a sausage factory in operation for months.

The public school, which has been closed for Easter holidays, will re-open at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

J. W. Wilson, of the local branch of the Bank of Montreal, spent his Easter holidays at the Premier mine.

William Fraser has completed the office in the Baldwin hotel, adding materially to the appearance of the house.

The Premier mine, this week, had all the teams this far north hauling ore to the dock, before the snow disappears.

Henry Scovill and William Jancowski have taken a contract for clearing a section of the right-of-way for the Premier tram line.

Prospectors will be pleased to learn that this year assay charges in this district will be at least twenty per cent less than last year.

William Cameron has been busy this week making preparations to move from his present dwelling to his house on Seventh street.

Market quotation from Vancouver daily: "Butter, strong; beef, bullish; poultry, bad." Eggs not quoted; but perhaps rotten.

R. L. Clothier came down from the Indian mine the early part of the week, and reports only about five feet of snow. This time last year over ten feet.

The opening of the bath at the Baldwin hotel, after a prolonged shut down, proved a very popular move on the part of the proprietor, William Dann.

J. McIntosh, who has been ill at the King Edward hotel for some weeks past, left for the Belle Island Hot Springs by the Taku last Monday night.

Bert Olson, Tim Williams, Dan Woodmore, Eli Watland, and Charles Lund went up to Ninemile last Wednesday to work for Homer Ficklin clearing right-of-way.

Homer Ficklin has taken a contract to clear one and nine-tenth miles of right-of-way for the new Premier tram line. His contract starts from Nine-mile and goes to the International boundary.

Rev. J. Wentworth Craig, who conducted the Presbyterian services in this district a number of years ago, is at present pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church, Vancouver. He is known as "the skypilot with a punch."

Tiny Daly, who played ball in Stewart last season, writing to a friend in Hyder, states that as soon as the spring round up is over and all the mavericks branded, he intends coming north. Tiny, with his two brothers, own one of the largest stock ranches near Keremeos, in the Similkameen valley.

Miss Kate Ryan has arrived in Rupert on her return to Stewart.

It is said several June, and earlier weddings, are on the bill of fare at Hyder.

Royal Salad Dressing. Use only the best. Salmon River Trading Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Jancowski returned to town from the Bush mine on Wednesday last.

See our advt. for Special Bargains. Salmon River Trading Co

Father Leray, who conducted Easter services in the Catholic church here, leaves on today's boat for Prince Rupert and Skeena river points.

Drink Union-made Silver Springs at Tooth's.

The Newell Bros. have this week undertaken extensive improvements to their barber shop, by papering, panneling, and painting the interior, the work being done by D. McLean.

Don't go home hungry. Get a lunch at Tooth's Smoke Shop.

Word has been received from John Haahti, better known as "John the Finn," who is at present in San Francisco, that Mr. VanOphen, president of the Algunican Co., has recently been very ill, but is now much improved in health, and has gone to New York.

Ramsay's Cream Soda Crackers, one of the best, and cheaper too. Salmon River Trading Co.

R. L. Clothier has opened his assay office on Fifth street, with C. S. Baker in charge. Mr. Baker, who is a qualified British Columbia assayer, recently returned to Stewart after spending the winter outside. The business will be carried on under the firm name of Clothier & Baker.

Rozenstien of International avenue, Hyder, has for sale a large and varied supply of fresh green vegetables at attractive prices.

Ed Herman, who formerly owned the Exchange grill, arrived from Ketchikan on the Taku last Monday. Since leaving here last fall Ed has travelled all up the coast of Alaska, and says that he has seen no place from Prince Rupert north, that looks as good as this Portland Canal section, so he came to the conclusion to come back here to stay.

Tram Line Machinery

Dale L. Pitt, manager of the Premier mine, was in town yesterday and informed the News that he expects the first shipment of machinery for the tram line will arrive on today's boat. Very satisfactory progress is being made with the right of way, contracts for the upper three miles being let and work commenced. The remaining contracts, he expects, will be let within the next few days.

Big Shipment

Dale L. Pitt, manager of the Premier mine, stated to the News that the shipment this week would be 500 tons. That the company have 30 men employed at present repairing the Salmon river road in order to enable them to get their ore out.

FREE GOLD ON THE MARMOT RIVER

R. L. Clothier, who some time ago purchased a half interest in the Salvador group of claims, proposes to make an immediate start on this year's development work. This property is well situated, being one mile from the beach, up the Marmot river and at a low elevation, the main Marmot trail running to the claims.

Staked some years ago considerable work has been done, consisting of three tunnels, 40, 20 and 10 feet in length respectively, driven one above the other on the same lead, which consists of a two foot pyritized quartz vien, occurring in the grano diorite. Mr. Clothier has spent considerable time recently in thoroughly sampling these workings with very satisfactory results, obtaining an average value of $20 in gold, about 10 per cent being free. These values are carried in the iron pyrites.

There is a large five foot vein running parallel to this, on which little or no work has been done, although small gold values are obtainable on the surface. On this vein it is the intention to open up and drive a tunnel in order to ascertain whether or not the gold values on the surface go down, and if they improve with depth.

EARLY SPRING

Those of our readers who are at present in the south, and who intend coming to Stewart this spring for the purpose of developing mining properties, and who wish to make use of the crust to get in their supplies, will be well advised to come early, otherwise there will be no snow for a crust to form on. We have had soft weather for the past two weeks, considerable rain with a south wind; the result is that the gravel on Fifth street is showing in a number of places, and it will only be a few days before the sleighs are put away and we again see wagons and motor cars; though the Hyder auto service have been running their trucks from the new dock to Hyder for the past two weeks, and expect to use them on the Stewart-Hyder road shortly, as the snow has practically left the old dock approach in places. People down from up the Salmon state that where there was 10 feet of snow in the hills this time last year there is now only about five feet. It is safe to say that this season is opening fully a month earlier than last.

Police! Police!

Seeing that the Hyder Miner keeps on its staff a poet who can dash off great gobs of poesies each week, the News turned loose its chained rhymster yesterday and he sprung the following springlet:

From off the running rivulet
The icy chain is thawed,
And the quacklet of the ducklet
In the land is heard abroad.

And the songlet of the birdlet
Re-echoes through the air.
And the bawlet of the bullet
Is heard everywhere.

And the croaklet of the froglet
Makes the ev'ning shadows ring.
All of which moves me to mention,
Gentle reader, this is Spring.

The Stewart Citizens' Association will give a May Day dance on April 27

Weather Synopsis

Government meteorological report for week ending March 31:

Date	Max	Min
26	46	36
27	46	35
28	40	38
29	40	37
30	41	36
31	38	34

Snowfall, --- Rainfall, 1.42 in

A special to the News from Rupert states: On Tuesday last the Liberal association decided to take immediate steps to call a nominating convention for the Skeena district.

Bartholf a Live Wire

Gene Bartholf has certainly lost no time since he came in. About ten days ago he left Hyder with a summer outfit for the Outland Silver Bar. Using horses on the snow, Mr. Bartholf successfully passed through the Salmon River canyon and got onto the glacier, along which he traveled to within six miles of his property, where he was forced to stop, owing to the heavy winds and snow. Having passed over the worst of the journey he cached his outfit here and returned to Hyder to await better weather. The glacier being flat all the way from the cache to his property he will have no difficulty in finishing his trip. As usual, Mrs. Bartholf accompanied her husband. More men of the same energy would soon make things hum in a mining way.

Customs Officer for Hyder

Mr. Stivers, of the United States customs service, arrived in Hyder from Ketchikan on the Taku last Monday, having come from Juneau. In an interview with the News Mr. Stivers stated that it is the intention of the United States government to at once establish a customs office on the boundary at Hyder, and that he was here for that purpose. Whether he will remain permanently, he is not in a position to say. Just where the new office will be located is as yet undecided, but it will be somewhere below the Cliff house.

Rupe Goin' Strong

Prince Rupert, March 31.—[Speciai to The News]—The city council here passed a resolution on Tuesday last, which has for its object the creation of a new province in what is now northern British Columbia. A public meeting is to be held this evening to further the discussion.

About Time

Victoaia, March 31.—[Special to The News.]—The provincial government have announced that at the next session of the legisla- the whole taxation of the province will be revised with a view to giving relief to municipalities.

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A NATIONAL DUTY

The building of a railway from tide water at Stewart, through the Ground Hog coal areas to the Peace River country, is a matter that the Dominion Government should take under serious consideration immediately. If they do not feel inclined to build this railway, and incorporate it in the Canadian National Railway System, then immediate steps should be taken to ensure the construction of the line by some railway company financially capable of carrying through the work and operating it after completion.

There are at present three transcontinental railways terminating in British Columbia, and it is safe to say that not one of these railways run through a section of the Province where the natural resources promise as great a tonnage as would be found contiguous to a railway built from this port to the Peace River country. Such a railway would open up and give access to the greatest mineral belt in British Columbia. Beyond this would be found large areas of arable land; and beyond that the anthracite coal beds of the Ground Hog; and beyond that again is a large unexplored mineral belt, and then the Peace river oil and farm products. Along the entire route through the Province large tonnage would be developed. There would not be, as is the case with the other railways, several hundred miles of line through a country capable of producing little or no tonnage without the construction of branch lines.

As the Vancouver Sun says editorially:

> The total cost of such development would be less than the loss to the country in one year, under adverse tariff conditions, while we are still under absolute compulsion to buy anthracite and petroleum products in the United States.

Ample west bound freight would be readily developed. As for the east bound, that is here now for the taking, for the much talked of Jones Shipping Bill provides that American freight, from an American port, destined for points in the United States, must be shipped in American bottoms to an American port. This necessitates, in order to get to a railroad, the shipping of the whole of the Alaskan fish catch right past the three existing Canadian railway terminals to the port of Seattle; whereas if a railway were built with its terminals in Stewart, a railroad could be established in the American port of Hyder, and so, complying with the Jones Shipping Bill, obtain the whole of these Alaskan shipments to the east.

At present millions of dollars are sent out of Canada annually for the products of some of the natural resources that such a railway would open up. It would constitute a vast development and at the same time a great saving. Therefore, we say that this is a national duty devolving upon the Dominion Government.

DUTY OF THE GOVERNMENT

I sometimes think that there is a mistaken idea in the minds of the people that the government is elected to sustain the people instead of that the government is elected to be sustained by the people. It is the duty of the government to transact the business of the people, the business which they cannot transact for themselves as individuals. It is not the duty of the government to feed and clothe the people.

On the one hand you have the cry of give, give, demanding service. But when you go to the people for money they object to paying, or they say you are not collecting in an equitable way.

I want to tell you that the life of a public man in these days is something you need not envy.

I have never hesitated to tell the people of this Province that if they have received benefits from the government they will have to provide the wherewithal for these benefits.

At different times I have had deputations come to my office decrying capital. I say that capital, if properly used, is the greatest friend of civilization. Civilization cannot exist without capital. Why, the very clothes on your back and the shoes on your feet are capital. The very men who decry capital are the very men who are coming today and demanding a supply of capital from the government so that they may eat and have clothes for their families. When I came to Ontario in my early days we had friendliness, neighborliness and willingness to share. There was a common feeling of the brotherhood of humanity which is very scare today.

We have seen along with the vast aggregation of capital the concentration of our natural resources, so that today there is not the opportunity there was thirty or forty years ago.

In my mind there is only one way in which the troubles we face today can be met, only one way poverty and want can be eliminated and the evil of too much riches eliminated, and that is when we put into practice the golden rule and we do to the other man as we wish the other man to do to us.—Hon. J. Oliver, Premier of British Columbia.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Everybody in the world depends upon somebody else.

The United States has 26,000 millionaires. None of them live in Hyder.

From a mining standpoint the Portland Canal district still looks good to the News.

Every family in New York City is paying $621 a year in taxes, either direct or indirect.

The crime wave has caused New York to add 700 new policemen to its already large police force.

During 1920 Government liquor stores in this province sold $1,000,000 worth of booze. Some joy.

Beef took another jump in Montreal last week. This is not due to the cow jumping over the moon. But to the fact that Alberta range stock came through the winter in poor shape.

The Vancouver dailies are making a lot of noise about housebreakers and holdup men in that village. Probably a bold, bad man entered the editorial den and stole the scissors and paste pot.

Styles may come, and styles may go, new fashions may depart and old fashions return, but our guess is that the hoopskirt and bustle will never return. Just imagine a lady with a hoopskirt getting into a flivver.

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 $200 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, preority 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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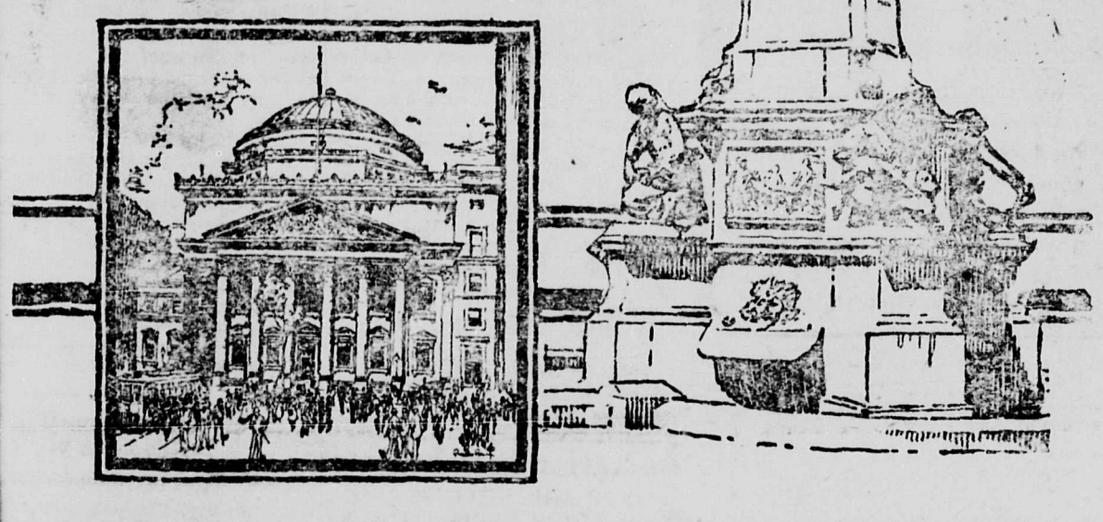

Stewart

Look at the map of British Columbia with an unbiased mind. Roughly Vancouver is 800 miles from the same point in the Peace River country that is reached in 400 miles from Stewart, which is the natural outlet for the whole northern and eastern interior.

Nearly every settler in the Peace River district is talking of railway communication with the coast.

Speaking in broad terms there are thirty-two millions of acres of the Peace River district situated within the boundaries of British Columbia, and more than forty millions of acres within the Province of Alberta, most of it being suitable agricultural land for mixed farming or ranching. In addition there is a vast area of mineral and timber resources, the extent of which is only beginning to be realized.

Immense deposits of anthracite coal have been located and the president of the Peace River Board of Trade is authority for the statement that this coal grades higher than Pennsylvania coal.

Extensive exploration work is being carried on in connection with oil and already startling results have been obtained. The oil sands are located at a depth of about sixteen hundred feet and enough investigation has taken place to be assured that they are of wonderful extent. There is also an abundance of natural gas.

The area under cultivation at present is only about three hundred thousand acres and the population of the whole district is about twenty thousand. The first grain was sent out of the country three years ago, and consisted of less than one thousand bushels. Last year nine million bushels were produced from about a quarter million acres, the average wheat yield being thirty-five bushels to the acre or nearly double the average of other portions of Alberta. The land is also well adapted for the raising of stock of all kinds, particularly hogs.

It is reasonable to suppose that if two hundred and fifty thousand acres are now producing nine million bushels of grain, that within a very few years there will be ten million acres producing three hundred and fifty million bushels of grain, or roughly, ten million tons.

Ask Help for the Prospector

Resolutions affecting the marking of stakes for mineral claims and the granting of financial assistance to prospectors for mining development will be presented to the Oliver government for consideration by the British Columbia Prospectors' Association as the result of a meeting at Nelson. The resolution respecting the marking of claim stakes recommends "that the Provincial Government be respectfully urged to have an enactment made under which it shall be compulsory that all stakes on mineral claims be marked by a metallic disc, containing the prospector's number or initials, the date of location to be also marked on the disc with a center punch or point of a knife, the prospector to be supplied with the said disc on application at the various government mining recorders' offices." Another resolution urges the granting of loans up to $2500 to prospectors in amounts of $500, the government to retain all right to claims involved until payment is made.

British Empire Gold Output

A preliminary report on gold production of the British empire for 1920 in the Mining Journal of London shows a general decline, as compared with the output of the previous year. The Transvaal, Western Australia, Rhodesia, India, Queensland and New South Wales reported decreased production and Victoria only an increased output of 152,702 fine ounces, compared to 135,427 fine ounces in 1919. The grand total for all British gold fields is given at 10,091,078 fine ounces in 1920.

Golskeish Shipping

The Golskeish Mining Company, four miles from Anyox, has been running a three drill compressor and employing about fifteen men all winter, and shipping regularly to the smelter. The ore is gold quartz, and is particularly desired by the smelter company as a flux for its silicates. H. W. Heidman, the discoverer and manager, has done a lot of development work, but has not yet run across any great values in gold.

Searching for Oil

Word comes from Prince Rupert that over one hundred oil claims have been staked recently on Graham Island, the big island of the Queen Charlotte group. There is also an asphalt concern interested here that is taking up locations with a view of working the shales which are said to be sufficiently valuable to warrant the expenditure of considerable money in development work.

Powder for Prospectors

Announcement is made in a letter, by Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines, to the British Columbia Prospectors Protective Association, whose headquarters are at Nelson, that the government will distribute blasting powder to bona fide prospectors at an advantageous cost.

Launch Provincial

CAPTAIN SWANSON

Leaves Rupert for Stewart Thursdays alternating with G. T. P. boats

REDUCTIONS BIG BARGAINS REDUCTIONS

Salmon River Trading Co'y

WOOL HOSE	
Ext. quality, seamless 75c, reduced	55
Hanson 3½ lb, $1, reduced	85
GLOVES AND MITTENS	
Hand made wool, $1.25 reduced	1 00
All leather, $1.50, reduced	1 15
All leather, $2.50, reduced	2 10
Horsehide, $1.50, reduced	1 15
Heather, 2.00, reduced	1 65
Fancy knit, 1.20, reduced	1 00
Fancy knit, 1.00, reduced	80
HEAVY LEATHER MITT	
Mineral tanned, large size, 2.00, reduced	1 65
WOOL MITTS	
Misses wool mitts, 75c, reduced	50
MACKINAW SHIRTS AND COATS	
Pride of the West, 18.50, reduced	16 00
Pride of the West, 15.00, reduced	12 50
Big Horn, 10.50, reduced	8 50
Big Horn, 14.00, reduced	12 00
TOP SHIRTS	
Big Horn, 4.50, reduced	3 75
Big Horn, 3.75, reduced	3 00
Big Horn, 7.50, reduced	6 25
Pride of the West, No. 570, 3.25, reduced	2 75
Pride of the West, No. 566, 3.00, reduced	2 50
Pride of the West, No. 320, 3.50, reduced	3 00
UNDERWEAR	
St. George Unshrinkable, 3-50, reduced	2 75
Elastic Knit, 3.00, reduced	2 00
SHOES—RUBBERS	
Ames-Holden Shoes, 8.00, reduced	6 75
Simcoe rubbers, 6.00, reduced	5 00

In addition to above our former prices on all makes of Boots and Shoes, as well as on Rubbers, have all been reduced to meet the cost of new goods. We have put the knife to Stanfield's Red Label Underwear. Also Nova Scotia All Wool Garments. This is our loss and your gain, and it is our endeavor to sell you any article in our stock at the lowest market price. : : : : : : : : : : :

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

The Mineral Province of Western Canada

Has produced Minerals valued as follows: Placer Gold, $75,722,603; Lode Gold, $100,272,431; Silver, $50,432,304; Lead, 43.821,106; Copper, $153,680,965; Zinc, $16,818,487; Coal and Coke, $199,-123,323; Building Stone, Brick, Cement, $29,991,757; Miscellaneous Minerals, $786,918; making its Mineral Production to the end of 1919 show

AN AGGREGATE VALUE OF $670,649,894

The substantial progress of the Mining Industry in this Province is strikingly exhibited in the following figures, which show the value of production for successive five-year periods: For all years to 1895, inclusive, $94,547,241; for five years, 1896-1900, $57,607,967; for five years, 1901-1905, $96,507,968; for five years, 1906-1910, $125,-534,474; for five years, 1911-1915, $142,072,603; for the year 1916, $42,290,462; for the year 1917, $37,010,392; for the year 1918, $41,782,474; for the year 1919, $33,296,313.

PRODUCTION DURING LAST TEN YEARS, $322,829,310

Lode mining has only been in progress for about 33 years, and not 20 per cent. of the Province has been even prospected; 300,000 square miles of unexplored mineral-bearing land are open for prospecting.

The mining laws of this Province are more liberal and the fees lower than those of any other Province in the Dominion, or any Colony in the British Empire.

Mineral locations are granted to discoverers for nominal fees.

Absolute Titles are obtained by developing such properties, security of which is guaranteed by Crown Grants.

Full information, together with Mining Reports and Maps, may be obtained gratis by addressing

THE HON. THE MINISTER OF MINES, Victoria, British Columbia.

KEEP FISHIN'

Suppose the fish don't bite at fust,
What be yer goin' to dew?
Chuck down yewr pole, throw out your bait,
An' say yewr fishin's threw?
Of course yew hain't; yew're goin' to fish,
An' fish, an' fish, an' wait
Until yew've ketched yewr basket full,
An' used up all yewr bait.

Suppose success don't come at fust,
What be yew goin' tur dew?
Throw up ther sponge an' kick yewrself,
An' go tur feeling blew?
Uv course yew hain't, yewr goin' tew fish,
An' bait, an' bait again;
Bimeby success will bite yewr hook,
An' yew will pull him in.

Perpetual Motion

Here is a Socialist's idea of perpetual motion:

Rags make paper.
Paper makes money.
Money makes banks.
Banks make paupers.
Paupers make rags.
Rags make paper, etc., etc.

An Acrobat

Teacher: "Now that you have read the story of Robinson Crusoe, Willie, tell me what kind of a man you think he was."

Willie: "He was an acrobat."

Teacher: "What makes you think so, Willie?"

Willie: "Because it said that after his day's work he sat down on his chest."

BONAR LAW

Right Hon. Andrew Bonar Law has long been prominent in British politics, and since 1916 has been the government leader in the house of commons. He became lord of the privy seal in January 1919. Bonar Law was first elected to the house of commons in 1900. He was a member of Lloyd George's war cabinet as chancellor of the exchequer from December, 1916, to December, 1918, and was one of the British delegates to the Peace Conference in Paris in 1919. Born in New Brunswick in 1858, the son of the Rev. James Law and Eliza Law; Bonar Law received his education in Canada and in the Glasgow high school. He married Annie Pitcairn Robley, of Glasgow, in 1891. She died in 1909.

A Good Toast

Captain Jack Crawford, the poet scout, was asked at a dinner, given by the New York press club, to respond to the toast, "The Ladies," and rising, said:

Here's to the happiest moments of my life:
Snug in the arms of another man's wife—
My mother—God rest her.

Johnny Knew

"Which is the most delicate of the senses?" asked the teacher. "The touch," answered Johnny. "How's that?" asked the teacher. "Well," said Johnny, "when you sit on a pin, you can't see it, you can't hear it, you can't taste it, but you know that it's there."

Comfortable rooms

Grill in connection

BALDWIN HOTEL

W. DANN, Proprietor

Headquarters for mining men during their stay in the district

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MANAGER

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WATER NOTICE

DIVERSION AND USE

Take notice that Lawrence & Workman, whose address is Stewart, B. C., will apply for a licence to take and use two cubic feet per second of water out of Barney's Gulch, which flows westerly, and drains into Bear river, about one mile from its mouth. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about seven hundred feet easterly from the foot of the mountain and will be used for power purpose upon the adjacent land described as Government wild land. This notice was posted on the ground on the 14th day of March, 1921. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act, 1914," will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Prince Rupert, B. C. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper.

LAWRENCE & WORKMAN,
Applicant
By G. B. LAWRENCE, Agent

The date of the first publication of this notice is March 19, 1921.

WATER NOTICE.

USE AND STORAGE

TAKE NOTICE that W.A. Meloche whose address is Stewart, B.C., will apply for a licence to take and use 35 cubic feet per second and to store 5000 acre feet of water out of Cascade creek which flows southwesterly and drains into Salmon river about twelve miles from its mouth. The storage dam will be located at the outlet of Long Lake. The capacity of the reservoir to be created is about 5000 acre feet, and it will flow about 200 or more acres of land. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about 1500 ft from Silver lake and will be used for mining (hydro electric) purposes upon the mine described as the Spider group of mining claims consisting of Spider No.1, No.2 and No.3 claims. This notice was posted on the ground on the 24th day of January, 1921. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto, and to the "Water Act, 1914", will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Prince Rupert. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C., within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper.

W.A. MELOCHE, Applicant,
By John Hovland, agent

The date of the first publication of this notice is Feb. 4th 1921.

WATER NOTICE

Diversion and Use

Take Notice that Premier Gold Mining Company, Limited whose address is Premier, B. C., will apply for a license to take and use 10 cubic feet per second of water out of East Fork, Cascade Creek also known as Hovland Creek, which flows southerly, and drains into Cascade Creek and Salmon River about 1000 feet from International Boundary. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about 1500 feet north from Bridge crossing Cascade creek on Missouri Trail near Lot 3610, Cascade Forks Claims and will be used for Power purpose upon Premier mine described as Power House to be located on Lot 3607 Cascade Forks No. 5. This notice was posted on the ground on the 31st day of January 1921. A copy of this notice and an application pursnant to the "Water Act 1914" will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Prince Rupert. Objections to the application may be filed with said Water Recorper or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parlament Buildings, Victoria, B. C., within fifty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first publication of this notice is February 4th, 1921.

Premier Gold Mining Company, Limited, Applicant.
By Dale L. Pitt, Manager.

LAND ACT

Cassiar Land District—District of Skeena, near Stewart, B. C., near corner of Lot No. 792, Cassiar District:

Take notice that Lawrence & Workman, of Stewart, B. C., occupation Millmen, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted 10 feet south of the northeast corner of Lot No 792, Cassiar District, thence south ten chains; thence east five chains; thence north fifteen chains; thence west to right-away of Portland Canal Shortline; thence south along the said line of right-away to point of commencement, and containing seven acres, more or less.

G. B. LAWRENCE, Applicant.
Dated March 14, 1921.

WATER NOTICE.

Diversion and Use.

Take Notice that Premier Gold Mining Company, Limited, whose address is Premier, B. C., will apply for a license to take and and use 20 cubic feet per second of water out of North Fork Cascade Creek, also known as Cascade Creek, which flows southerly and drains into Salmon River about 1000 feet from International Boundary. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point some 700 feet north of the bridge on the Missouri Trail crossing Cascade Creek and will be used for Power purpose upon the Premier Mine described as Power House to be located on Lot No. 3607 Cascade Forks No. 5. This notice was posted on the ground on the 31st day of January 1921. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act, 1614" will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Prince Rupert. Objection to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder, or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C. within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first publication of this notice is February 4 th, 1921.

Premier Gold Mining Co., Limited, Applicant, by Dale L. Pitt, Manager.

MINERAL ACT,

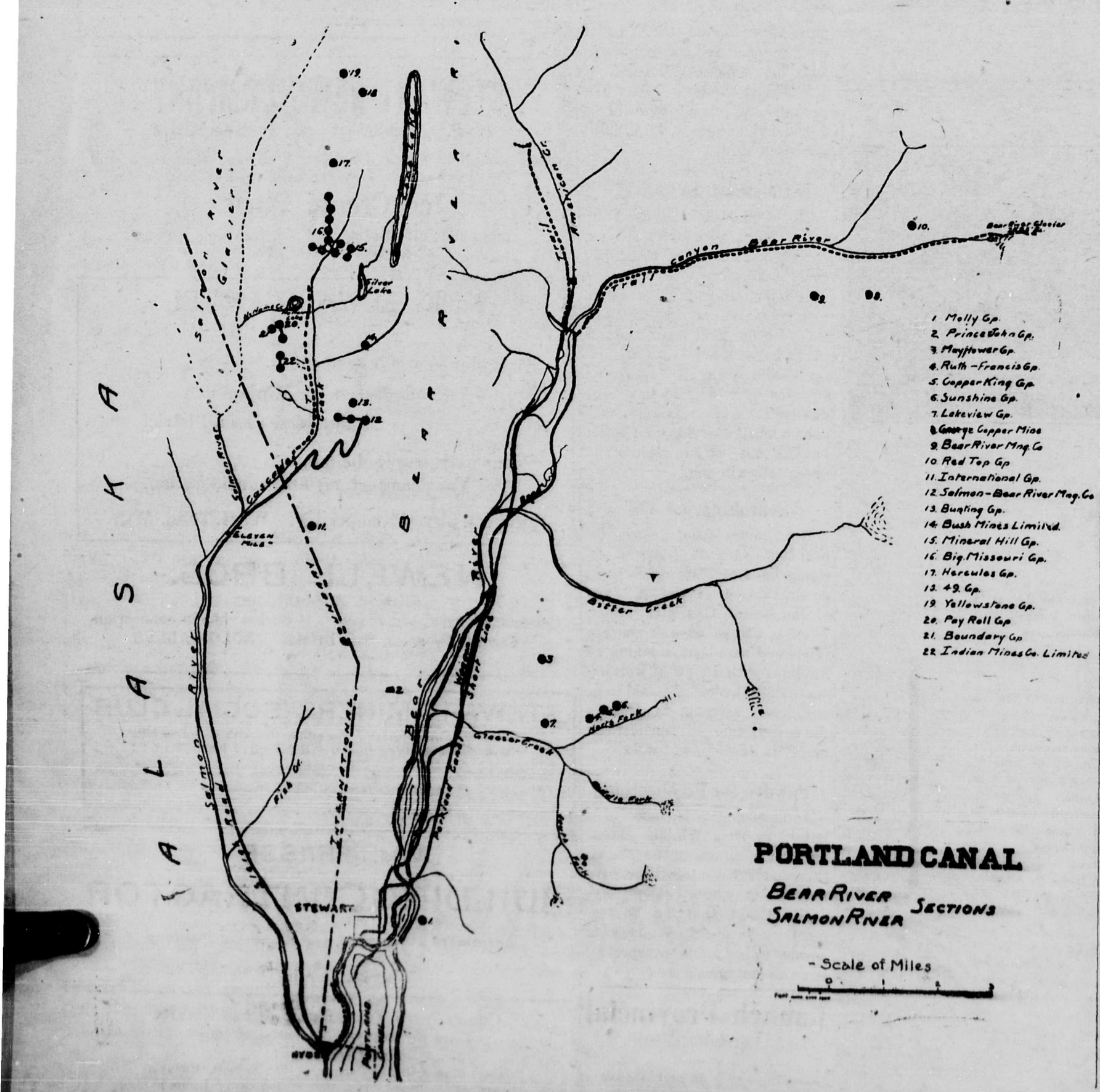
Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

"Boundary," "Cabin," "Grubstake," "Lucky," "Daly," "Fractional Fraction," mineral claims, situate in the Portland Canal mining division of Cassiar district.

Where located: In the Salmon River Valley, in the Portland Canal Mining Division, and lying east of the Bear Group of mineral claims.

Take notice that I, William C. [illegible] of Stewart, B.C., acting as agent for Amos B. Trites, Free Miner's Certificate No. 16311C; Roland W. [illegible] Free Miner's Certificate No. 16312C; R. Wilson, Free Miner's Certificate 16312C, and Patrick Daly, Free Miner's Certificate No. 31468C, 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 claims. And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this fifth day of [illegible] A.D. 1921.

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