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BEAR RIVER MINING NOTES

LAKE VIEW

Charlie Bibeau and Jim McKay started work last week on the Lake View group on Glacier creek. So far they have confined their work to cleaning out the old workings, with a view, as soon as this is done, taking out some high grade ore for shipment, if at all possible. They have on this property considerable high grade silver ore that would stand shipment if transportation did not at the moment constitute such a difficulty.

SILVERADO

John Haati and Albert Peterson are making splendid headway on this property. They have driven a tunnel in about 40 feet and are now busy stoping and sacking the high grade in the day time, and in the evening prospecting the adjoining claims of the group. They are taking out and sacking from two and a half to three tons per week. The additional prospecting has shown that they have seven distinct showings on the three claims, three of which they have shot into. The ore they are sacking averages 1000 ounces of silver per ton.

RED CLIFF

Work on this property is progressing very satisfactorily, though confined for the most part to surface work. On the Montrose and Waterloo claims a tunnel has been commenced. R. W. Wood, one of the owners, arrived from the south on the last boat, and has gone up to the property.

Dan Woodmore brought in some nice copper ore from his Morning Star claim, Glacier creek, on which he has been doing assessment work. The lead on which he was working has four feet of solid ore, containing some grey copper.

Harry Gibson is having his assessment work done on his Mayflower group, Bear river.

CHURCH AFFAIRS

Quarterly Meeting of Committee of St. Mark's Church

The quarterly meeting of the committee of St. Mark's church was held on last Monday evening in the rectory at 8 o'clock. The financial report was read and adopted. The second quarterly payment of the diocesan apportionment, amounting to \$75, was voted to be paid.

An inspection of the improvements recently made to the interior of the church and rectory was made and found to be very satisfactory. The incumbent gave a review of the work during the past quarter and pointed out how the Women's Auxiliary of the church had so materially helped to carry on the work by their generous gifts.

SUNDAY'S SERVICE

The service at St. Mark's church last Sunday evening was singularly interesting in that the

children of the Sunday school were assembled for their anniversary prize giving.

Violet Watson, age 6, received the first prize as head of the Sunday school for regularity, making a 51 out of a 52 possible attendance. The other prize winners were as follows: Ida Watson, Joan Mellor, Stavely Mellor, Mable Mellor, Betty Jack, Roy Jack, Dorreen Jack, and Margaret Jancowski.

Following the presentation of the prizes, which was made by Mrs. Gibson, Violet Watson and Dorreen Jack, on behalf of the Sunday school, presented the people's churchwarden, Mr. Watson, as representing the church, a pair of handsome brass vases, which were placed in their respective places by the incumbent.

Thus was the Sunday school made another tangible link in the chain of affection existing between the younger and older members of the church.

ACCIDENT AT PREMIER

Moses Seguin Bruised While Working on Skidway

Moses Seguin had his left thigh broken, right arm badly bruised and received several scalp wounds late last Monday afternoon, and is now in the local hospital, where he is doing very well. It appears that he was at the time of the accident working on the skidway sharpening canthooks, the donkey was hauling a large log, about 40 or 50 feet above him on the mountain side, when suddenly the log hit an obstruction and jumped; the choker came off and it bounded again. Owing to the noise Seguin did not know anything about it until the log was almost on top of him. He jumped to the upper side and thereby only received a glancing blow, otherwise he would have been fatally crushed. Dr. Davis is sending the patient down the Prince Rupert hospital on the next boat.

SCHOOL MEETING

Large Turn Out of Ratepayers. Auditor's Report

The annual school meeting of the ratepayers was held in the school house last Saturday at 7 o'clock in the evening. A large number of those entitled to vote were present. W. Noble was elected chairman of the meeting, and Charles Palmer, the retiring secretary of the board, acted as secretary.

Considerable discussion of school business ensued, including, among other things, the auditor's report, which was submitted and passed, and showed the following for the past year:

Revenue \$2881 12
Expenditure 1375 84

Balance on hand. \$1375 84

On completion of the business the matter of electing a new auditor and trustee, in the place of those whose terms expired, was taken up and nominations called for. W. Broad and John Mellor were duly nominated for auditor. E. R. Workman and P. S. Jack were nominated for trustee. The polls were opened at 8 o'clock and remained so until 9:30. Upon the ballots being counted it was found that Mellor and Broad had received seven votes each for auditor. Mr. Mellor withdrew in favor of Mr. Mr. Broad. On the votes for trustee being counted, P. S. Jack received 18 and E. R. Workman 11. P. S. Jack was thereby elected.

B. C. MINES OUTPUT GROWS

Seven Per Cent Greater in Value Than Production of 1919, According to Annual Report



HON. WILLIAM SLOAN

Despite the fall in the price of metals, mineral production in British Columbia for the last year totalled \$35,543,084, seven per cent greater in value than the production of 1919, which was valued at \$33,296,313, according to the annual report of the Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines, made public at Victoria last week.

"It is extremely gratifying that British Columbia's mining industry has been so well maintained, notwithstanding the fluctuating metal market, and despite generally unsettled conditions, that it is possible to report an increase in 1920 over the value of the production," says the Hon. Mr. Sloan.

.. STEWART LOCAL NEWS ..

Huckleberries are ripe.

An effort is being made to organize an operatic society in Hyder.

Mrs. Roy Clothier has gone to reside for a few months at the Red Cliff mine.

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

The dry spell has put the "spawning grounds" for mosquitoes out of commission.

Business is fairly good, although not brisk; but there's a rosy outlook in this section for hardware dealers—that is, "hard goods."

Mrs. W. C. Barron, who moved to Hyder during the early spring and opened a boarding house near the sawmill, is doing well. She has recently had a large addition made to the house.

If you you have a bottle or a ton or two of booze in your cellar, see that it is marked, and report to the liquor board. After today all unmarked liquor may be confiscated.

William Crawford is building a new stable in Hyder, capable of containing 12 head of horses. This stable is for the purpose of those teams he has working up the Salmon river.

T. W. Platt arrived this week from Quesnel.

Harry Reid, of the Hyder Transfer Co., returned on the George from a trip to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson and Mrs. S. Gardiner returned to Vancouver on the George last Sunday.

William Tooth went up to the Silverado mine on Saturday last and brought down a nice collection of specimens.

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

Harry Thomey, D. McLean and Ernie Armstrong are employed building a stable for Crawford's Transfer in Hyder.

This week John Stewart and William Noble were making necessary repairs to Stewart's electric light and telephone systems.

Methodist, Hyder—No; you are mistaken. Those little round things you found in your husband's pocket are called poker chips.

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

Morley Shier of the Giant Powder company, arrived on the George from Prince Rupert and will spend the week in the district visiting the Premier mine and some of the smaller operators.

Fresh milk at Tooth's

Roy Clothier was down from the Red Cliff mine during the early part of the week.

Mrs. Oren F. Hill, after spending a week or ten days in Hyder, has returned to Ketchikan.

G. A. McNicholl, of the G. T. P. steamship service, was a visitor to Stewart on the George last Sunday.

R. E. Moore, manager of Pat Burns & Co., Prince Rupert, arrived and left on the George last Sunday.

W. Cameron, with his daughter and miss Crawford, rode up to the Premier mine during the middle of the week.

George Merrill and Ed Herdy arrived in Hyder last Friday on Fred Weldas' launch, Lillian, from Alice Arm.

Hugh McDougall is building a considerable addition to his house on Nevada street, Hyder. W. L. Balch is doing the work.

The Union Steamship company's steamer Chilcoot arrived in port last Friday with a load of coal for local consumption.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Conner, who have resided in Hyder for the past 18 months, left on Saturday last for Fairbanks, Alaska.

The Hyder sawmill are still very busy, running two shifts, and employing in and about the mill 11 men, with another 11 working in the woods.

J. Pittinger, former mayor of Ketchikan, came in on the Carmen on her last trip to pay a short visit to his daughter, Mrs. E. Williams, of Hyder.

Peanut Butter, (Unicorn brand) fresh and rich in oil. S. R. T. Co.

Deputy Marshal J. K. Green of Hyder, who has been attending court in Ketchikan, was in Hyder for a few days last week, but returned to Ketchikan on Saturday last, where he will remain until the court sessions are over.

The editor of Hyder's weekly excitement may be the delegate from Alaska to a convention of World Temperance Workers, to be held in Scotland, next September. It is now 65 days since he backed John Barleycorn over the dump.

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

At 6 p.m., Saturday evening last, Commissioner Reid of Hyder united in marriage, Albert Mayer and Mrs. Elenor G. Nicholls, who have taken up their residence on the Forest Reserve in Hyder. Mr. and Mrs. David G. Mahood supported the bride and groom.

The public picnic for the children of Stewart and Hyder has been arranged for Wednesday, July 20, from funds left over from the Christmas tree. The children and parents will meet at the Stewart hotel and start for the Bear river valley at 10 a.m. sharp. It will greatly facilitate the work of the transportation and food committee if any not wishing to go would send word to the secretary, Mrs. Knipple, Stewart, not later than Monday evening.

SALMON RIVER MINING NOTES

PREMIER TRAM LINE

Work on the Premier tramline is progressing rapidly, practically all the towers between the dock and Fish creek being completed. Double tension station No. 1 and double anchorage station No. 1 are also complete. Work has been started on angle station No. 1, and will be pushed with all possible speed to completion. This station is on the hill above Hyder. The big angle station at Fish creek, which contains between thirty and forty thousand feet of timber, is about finished. The energies of the company are being centered on finishing the work on the high ground first, leaving that to be done on the low ground till the last, for the reason that by so doing an early snowfall will not retard construction.

About 70 of the ore buckets that came in recently have already gone up to the mine. Work has so far progressed that considerable of the cable that arrived recently, has already been distributed along the line, though still on the reels. In all there will be about 46 miles of cable necessary to operate the line. Only about half the required amount has to date arrived. About 140 men are employed at present on the work.

OUTLAND SILVER BAR

E. L. Bertholf was in town from the Outland Silver Bar during the week end, and informed The News that the work that he has done so far on this property is very satisfactory. He has discovered and opened up a new lead on the Silver Bar claim, from which he received ver high silver values. Mr. Bartholf is very optimistic about being able to build a winter camp on the Outland Silver Bar for the purpose of working all winter, with a view to shipping ore after the New Year. He says that by following down the glacier and over the Texas creek pass he will have an excellent hauling road, about 20 miles long. F. C. Outland, president of the company; T. D. McLean, Robert Neilson, W. E. Bertholf, and Thomas Wilson, all interested in the holdings of E. L. Bertholf on the Salmon river, arrived from Seattle on the last boat, and have gone up to the property, to return on their way south the end of the week, except Robert Neilson and W. E. Bertholf, who will spend some time at the mine.

William Fillier and Dalby Morkill are working on their "Mist" group of seven claims, adjoining the Bush and B. C. Silver Mines, Limited, and Premier group.

Before Commissioner Reed at Hyder this week, P. R. Baccus, who laid out the aerial tram route for the Premier, sued the company for \$809.13, and was awarded \$147.04. This was for wage claim and rental of transit.

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RATEPAYERS' COMMITTEE

THE meeting held last Friday afternoon of the committee appointed to take up the matter of a Liquor Vendors' Store for Stewart, and also the question of incorporation, was conducted in a sane and business like manner, and in so far as it was, will rebound to the credit of the community of Stewart as a whole.

It is gratifying to note that before any definite expression of opinions were given upon the matter of incorporation, the members of the committee felt that it was necessary for them to go fully into the matter and obtain the fullest information possible, then weigh the advantages against the disadvantages, in order to arrive at a conclusion on which to base their recommendations. Until this has been done any assertions that may be made would be premature, and therefore not in the best interests of the district.

The idea of obtaining the support of the Boards of Trade of the south and the Manufacturers' Association of British Columbia to the request of Stewart for a Liquor Vendors' Store would, we believe, be hard to improve upon, for in this way the local member, Bert Kergin, will have lined up in his support a force of artillery that will certainly have an effect.

INTERIOR DEVELOPMENT

THE letting of a contract recently for the construction of a twenty-five mile extension of the Central Canada Railway west from the town of Peace River, is in itself not a great thing, but from it can be drawn considerable satisfaction for the reason that it means just that much more development in the Peace River country, and therefore a proportionately greater population in that section. Taking a look at the map it is found that the whole country through which this railway will run, is north of Stewart.

The Peace River country is rapidly filling up with people, and the day is not far distant when the population will be so numerous that they will have considerable weight in determining the policies, of not only the government, but also the transportation companies that are now, or in the future, may cater to their requirements. When that day comes, these people will demand and obtain, a salt water outlet for their products, by the shortest route possible, which is by railway to Stewart.

We wish the Peace River country every prosperity and hope that no stone will be left unturned that will tend to their advancement, for what benefits the people of

that country now, will in time benefit Stewart.

DULL TIMES AHEAD

A NOTE of warning may at this time not come amiss. It takes but very casual observation to realize that the coming winter is going to be one of the hardest winters experienced in many years. Industries all across the continent are closing down, or contemplating doing so. Thousands of people are being thrown out of employment as a result, and poverty in the big cities to an almost unprecedented degree is assuming alarming proportions. Therefore, it would be well for us one and all, to prepare as does the squirrel, for a hard winter.

ELECTION TALK

OUT of the east come the murmurings and rumblings of a Dominion general election. Just what grounds there are for these speculations is hard at this time to determine. But if the old saying, "That little straws tell which way the winds blow," still holds good, there certainly is an election in the air within the next twelve months, for all across Canada the "political pots" are commencing to boil and the party chefs to prepare the meals that they intend to lay before the electors.

GOOD OLD TIMES

THERE are still some folks who sigh for good old times. But who would welcome them were they to come back?

Subtract from modern life the movie; porcelain bathtubs; vacuum sweepers; electric lights; instantaneous hot water; and telephones.

Take out phonographs; automobiles; electric irons and wash machines; and sanitary plumbing.

Banish these things and you have again what people like to call "good old times."

Who really wants the good old times back?

Occasionally a cynic declaims against the modern improvements, but he never means it. The modest home of the average middle-class Canadian is infinitely more comfortable than the mansion of those other days called "the good old times."

The average housewife, relieved of much of the old drudgery of handwork, has more time for leisure and recreation. Her family has more recreational opportunities.

The new times have their faults, but they are the golden age, when contrasted with the "good old times." They cost us more than the "good old days" of yore, but aren't they worth the price?

NOTE AND COMMENT

Boost and the world boosts with you. Kneck and you kneck alone.

The packers' strike on the coast is over. The troubles were canned.

There is one difference between the parties in British Columbia—the one is in and other is out.

Don't place too much confidence in a man who boasts of being as honest as the day is long. Wait until you meet him at night.

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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-emption 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 \$500 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 50 acres, may be leased as homesteads; title to be obtained after fulfilling residential and improvement conditions.

For grazing and industrial purposes areas exceeding 50 acres may be leased by one person or company.

Mill, factory or industrial sites on timber land not exceeding 10 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 assigns of a deceased pre-emptor may apply for title under this Act is extended from 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 retrospective.

No fees relating to pre-emptions are due or payable by soldiers on pre-emptions recorded after June 25, 1918. Taxes are remitted for five years.

Provision for return of monies 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 dependants, acquired direct or indirect, remitted from adjustment 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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HOMESTAKE MINE WILL OPERATE

Work was commenced on the Homestake mine at Alice Arm last week by the Consolidated Homestake Mining & Development Co. Captain Gerhardt, who is in charge of operations, arrived in Alice Arm last week with a party of eight. He states that it is the intention of the company to start work as soon as the camp is fixed up, on a tunnel 390 feet in length to break into two surface showings, which have a V formation. A compressor plant will arrive in about two weeks, and will be shipped at once to the mine, as it is the intention of the company to push the work as rapidly as possible during the summer.

The Homestake mine is situated at the Kitsault glacier, and was staked by A. Davidson in 1913. Present work consists of 20 open cuts. Assays taken from the property has averaged 38 ounces in silver and six per cent copper, being an average on a 30 foot cut. A lead extending over 1100 has been traced on the surface by open cuts.

COAL AND OIL LAND RESERVE DISCUSSED

A letter from Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines, regarding the lifting of reserves on the interior oil and coal fields, stating that the matter would have his

consideration, was received at the meeting of the Prince Rupert board of trade last Friday night. It was also reported that A. M. Manson had a resolution on this matter which would be brought in at an early meeting of the council.

OIL REPORTED AT QUATSINO SOUND

The existence of oil at Quatsino Sound, the north end of Vancouver Island, is reported by B. W. Leeson, customs officer at Quatsino. Samples of oil shale have been sent to Ottawa for a government analysis.

FROM THE DUMP

The LeRoi mine at Rosland made Spokane.

Coal miners at Fernie are working half time.

The mines at Copper mountain, near Princeton, are idle.

All hydraulic mines in the Barkerville field are working.

A zinc reduction plant is to be established at Medicine Hat.

The Nickel Plate at Hedley has paid in dividends \$2,496,000.

The quartz mines in British Columbia have paid in dividends \$37,157,371.

The Nickel Plate at Hedley has commenced operation after a shut down of over a year.

During the past six months the Belmont-Surf Inlet mine has paid \$125,000 in dividends.

The Coalmont collieries are working 200 miners. Most of the coal goes to Washington state.

Work will commence the latter part of next week shipping about 3000 tons of ore that is already mined at the Dolly Varden.

Dividends from Northwest mines are at low ebb. Last quarter's distribution lowest in years. Low metal prices the cause.

The Consolidated Mining and Smelting company received 6476 tons of ore in the week ended on June 30, according to a report from its smelter at Tadanac.

Electrification of transportation systems would use up all the available copper. The average consumption on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul—over 17 tons per mile.

Sandy McRae, a well known mining man of Eastern British Columbia, died at Revelstoke on June 30. Thirty years ago he operated up the Big Bend and at Illicillewaet.

Although there is a copper surplus of 375,000,000 pounds available for home consumption in the United States, this is being depleted at the rate of about 50,000,000 per month.

Mining activities have begun in the Fort Frances district. H. Miles is building a new set of camps and will sink a shaft on his nickel and copper property at Grassy Portage, 15 miles east of Fort Frances. This deposit is one of the largest in Canada, and the development of an important industry is looked for.

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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.

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HIGH GRADE EXTRACTS

Granby has a newspaper. The News.

The United States is at peace with Germany.

At Penticton this year the fruit crop is a bumper one.

The G. N. R. will abandon its railway from Rossland to Spokane

The salmon run on the Fraser this year was the poorest in its history.

Vancouver is preparing for a big industry this winter—the free lunch counter.

There's no hard times coming in British Columbia. It's just the soft times going.

There's nothing in a name. John Oliver is the name of a second hand dealer in Calgary.

Business is bad in Seattle. Clerks in the big stores amuse themselves playing ping pong.

Of the 400 inmates in the provincial jail at Okalla, the majority are bootleggers and hop heads.

The old Conservative party in Canada will go to the polls next election as the National Liberal and Conservative party.

The United Farmers will cut some alfalfa in the coming federal elections. In the by-election at Medicine Hat last week the Farmer candidate defeated the Conservative by over 10,000 majority.

Many large orders for British Columbia lumber are being received from the United States at present.

In a distillery in Quebec, last week, two men fell into a vat of whisky and were drowned. Some men are born lucky.

A street car official in Vancouver had his appendix removed and charged the cost to operating expenses.

Owing to a bitter price slashing war on between rival bootleggers the cost of booze in Vancouver has dropped from \$18 to \$4 per bottle.

Dr. Coleman of Hamilton, who issued 19,000 prescriptions for liquor within three months, has been suspended from practicing for six months.

Greenwood is to have a Liquor Vendors' store. Only a fistful of people reside in and around that town—but it is the home of a cabinet minister.

Twenty-five years ago Re. public, Washington, was the liveliest mining camp in the west. Today not a mine is working. The hills that were alive with prospectors are at present alive with sheep, horses and cattle. The chief payroll of the town is the school.

According to reports sent out from Vancouver and Victoria the Liquor Control Board has organized a secret service bureau and appointed operatives whose duty it will be to ferret out all cases of illegal possession of liquor. If the bureau is properly conducted and the operatives reliable this should do much toward the proper enforcement of the law and should make the apprehension and conviction of bootleggers easy for the authorities.

PICNIC NOW

Grand-Dad Experienced the Real Hard Times

Times, like eggs, are susceptible to various degrees of hardness. The people who are enjoying their hard times sociables now have nothing on their grandfathers. There were hard times then, when the country was new. Grand-dad could have bought a ten-acre field in the centre of Toronto or Winnipeg for a \$10 note, but he didn't have the money. He worried over financing an investment in a yoke of oxen and a wagon to take the family into the wilds of the northwest where he could pick out a 160 that the boys won't live and work nowadays. Those were hard times, of a kind when a man worked eighteen hours a day for 25 cents, and a man who owned a buckboard was in the limousine class. And yet some of those resolute, hard-handed old people braved the hardships of those times and founded fortunes for themselves. They did it by not spending quite all they earned.

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MINERAL ACT,

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

"Boundary," "Cabin," "Grub," "Grubstake," "Lucky," "International Fraction," "Daly," "Group," 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 Premier Group of mineral claims.

Take notice that I, William C. Ross, of Stewart, B.C., acting as agent for Amos B. Trites, Free Miner's Certificate No. 16311C; Roland W. Woods, Free Miner's Certificate No. 16310C; W. R. Wilson, Free Miner's Certificate No. 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 March, A. D. 1921.

MINERAL ACT.

Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE.

Good Hope mineral claim, situate in the Portland Canal mining division of Cassiar district.

Where located: In the upper Salmon River valley, adjoining the Silver Tip group.

Take notice that I, B. Armstrong, Free Miner's Certificate No. 46907C; William Reid Tooth, Free Miner's Certificate No. 46908C, 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 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this seventh day of June, A. D. 1921.

MINERAL ACT.

Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE.

Bella Coola, Silver Leaf, May P. J. Ladybird No. 2 mineral claims, situate in the Portland Canal mining division of Cassiar district. Where located: In cascade Creek valley, north of Silver Itke.

Take notice that Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B.C., land surveyor, acting as agent for C. W. Frank, Free Miner's Certificate No. 37768C; J. V. Clegg, Free Miner's Certificate No. 43568C, and the estate of J. W. Chapple, 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 27th day of May, A. D. 1921.



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 ob-

tained. 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