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POLITICAL NOTES.

Opening of the Campaign.--Candidates Meet the Electors and Are Well Received.

The real work of the political campaign commenced on Monday night when the candidates, Mr. Wells and Mr. Neilson, faced the electors in the Alexander Hall, Golden, when both received a hearty reception, the reception of Mr. Wells being the heartier of the two. The hall was well filled. The proceedings were tardy in commencing. The hour advertised was 8 o'clock but the chair was not taken until long after that hour. The audience was somewhat impatient but were good humored indulging in friendly bandiage. The first candidate who put in an appearance was Mr. Wells who obtained quite an ovation. On Mr. Neilson's arrival he was also warmly greeted. Arrangements were made between the candidates as to the order of business and duration of speeches. These concluded Mr. Devlin, book-keeper for Mr. H. G. Parson, was called upon to preside over the meeting. The chairman bespoke an attentive hearing for each of the candidates who, he stated, at the conclusion would be glad to answer any questions or give any explanations as to their views and position.

The first candidate to address the meeting was Mr. Neilson who, in a neat, graceful speech, explained his position, attitude and views. He said he had great pleasure in meeting the people of Golden when making his maiden speech who no doubt had received his address and carefully studied it which he hoped would meet with their approval and support. His opponent Mr. Wells, and he had always been personal friends and he hoped would still remain so although Mr Wells' personal remarks in regard to this election on the public platform have been anything but gentlemanly and truthful. My position with Mr. Wells can be explained in a very few words which I shall do and leave my friend Mr. Gordon Hunter to discuss the policy of the present government compared with that of the Opposition.

Some months ago continued Mr. Neilson, when in Golden, Mr. Wells and I were walking over to the station and the subject of his coming out as a representative of this district was mentioned and during the conversation I told my friend Mr. Wells that if he came out as a government or even an independent supporter of the government that he could have my vote. Mr. Wells agreed with me in this course. Some time later a meeting of his convention was being held at the Queen's hotel. I was in Golden and met Mr. Wells and walked over with him to attend this convention. When I got there I was told that I could not take part in the convention as I had no proper credentials to represent Beaver. I therefore took no part in the convention. What afterwards followed you all know, Mr. Wells came out as an out and out opposition candidate. Being thus deceived by my friend Mr. Wells on his first policy and his taking the opposition platform after having given me to understand he was a government candidate or an independent supporter of the same. I think there should be no slur cast on my character in the position I now occupy as the candidate supporting the present government and its policy. It is at the solicitations of the electors that I am here as candidate tonight and it is in their interests alone that I appear. I repudiate entirely with contempt the aspersions that have been made by the opposite side that I am the candidate in the interests of Mackenzie & Mann or any other man.

Mr. Wells opened his remarks by expressing his pleasure at the opportunity afforded him in meeting his opponent for the first time at a public meeting. He had himself held several meetings, to which Mr. Neilson had been extended a cordial invitation, and he might have taken exception to the fact that he had not been so far honored with his attendance. To show, however, that he had no vindictive feeling towards his opponent, he had that evening travelled some fifteen miles to do himself the honor of attending Mr. Neilson's first meeting. Mr. Wells then referred to the satisfaction it gave him to find that his opponent had at last deemed it advisable to issue his address to the electors of this constituency. It was a well-marked feature in the contest that Mr. Neilson had had a somewhat ambiguous position, having at first posed as an independent, then as an independent supporter of the government, and finally seeking shelter as a full-fledged out-and-out admirer of the Turner administration; so that at last he really had the satisfaction of being able to hold down to some fixed purpose during the remaining days of the canvass. This, however, was not the worst feature of Mr. Neilson's candidature, owing to the fact that he had given him (Mr. Wells) his unqualified pledges of support; this his opponent was now endeavoring to escape, alleging as he did that he (Mr. Wells) had obtained his pledge under the promise that he would run as an independent or a government supporter.

Mr. Wells then proceeded to show the absurdity of any such contention and which he supported by the minutes of a Liberal meeting convened at Golden as far back as the 24th February, 1897, for the express purpose of organizing the party in opposition to the present government. He (Mr. Wells) addressed that meeting in denunciation of the Turner government in the strongest possible language at his command, warning the people that it was time when they should take its affairs into their own hands and secure them from the controlling influence of the Dunsmuir element, which had been such a ruling power over the present administration. He (Mr. Neilson) at that meeting was in full sympathy and accord with Mr. Wells' remarks, expressing himself as endorsing the position Mr. Wells had taken and promising him if a candidate to give him his unfailing support. At this meeting an executive Liberal committee was formed, to which he (Mr. Wells) had been given the position of honorary chairman, thus committing himself fully to the object of the organization, and that for the specified purpose of opposing the government, from which he had to this never swerved. This, however, was not all; for he found from the minutes of the meeting that both he and Mr. Neilson had pledged themselves over their own signatures to support the nominee of the Liberal party. Mr. Neilson, interrupting, said that this was for Dominion purposes, but the insicerity of this was pointed out by Mr. Wells in referring to the heading of the pledge, stating plainly that the organization was confined to the provincial elections only. Mr. Wells would not allow his opponent to escape under any such subterfuge and carried him still further to the convention of delegates called on the 9th may last to nominate an opposition candidate, at which Mr. Neilson appeared, as he alleged, to support Mr. Wells' nomination, but owing to some irregularity in the production of his credentials was unable to vote as a duly qualified delegate. This his opponent endeavored now to squirm from under some pretense, but he held in his hands the affidavit of the chairman at that meeting and that of Mr. Dainard as well, fully confirming what he stated and he would now leave the treacherous and perfidious conduct of Mr. Neilson in the hands of the electors.

Mr. Wells then entered fully into his reasons for claiming the suffrages of the electors as an opposition candidate, first showing the miserable failure the government was guilty of in financing the affairs of the province, the result being that we now to face a fixed annual charge of some $525,000, against a revenue of about one million dollars only. It was simply impossible now to meet the ordinary expenditure of the province and provide from the revenue a dollar for development purposes affording roads for transportation of ore. This was fully realized in the proposition of the Kootenay Consolidated Co. to subscribe one-third the cost of a road to its group of mines and which was not entertained for the simple reason no doubt that there was no money in the treasury. There was only one way left to meet the urgent demands of mine holders for transportation facilities and that was by borrowing more money but for this purpose only, Mr. Wells could shew the government that this could be done without any further burthen by capitalizing the estimated royalty upon the output under such a proposition as the company he had referred to had made. Such a scheme might be extended indefinitely, with satisfactory results and was really the only solution of the position which the bad financing of the government had placed us in.

Mr. Wells proceeded to point out the the reckless plundering of our public domain, which in itself was sufficient reason for his opposition to the present administration. The Crow's Nest land subsidy was then dealt with in the strongest terms denouncing it as a piece of plundering unequalled in the history of this country or in fact any other so far as he had been able to discover. Col. Baker was directly responsible for this and no administration could have his support with such an element of dishonesty having any place in it. The measures of the late opposition party in the House were then taken up, reference being made to the Workman's Lien Act, their strenuous efforts for the repeal of the Miners and Mortgage Tax which he contended was such a burthen and imposture to the man who had to thus encumber his property by borrowing money Reference was then made to the recently authorized loan of five million dollars for railway purposes, not a dollar of which would be appropriated in the eastern part of the province and his contention if returned would be that we be fully indemnified against our share of the burthen imposed by this enormous expenditure. The Teslin lake railway opening the Yukon mineral resources Mr. Wells contended would be no boon to this province but on the contrary would divert capital and population which we had use for in the development of our own resources. In concluding his address Mr. Wells said it was puzzling at first to explain Mr. Neilson's attitude now and his sudden change of front but some explanation might be got from the fact that the chairman of the lumber company of which Mr. Neilson was secretary was Mr. Mackenzie of Messrs. Mackonzie & Mann and the electors could draw their own deductions whether Mr. Neilson if elected was going to represent their interests or the interests of Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann. He, Mr. Wells, however assured the electors of his earnest intention to guard in every way possible the interests of his constituency if elected and thanked the audience for the patient hearing it had given him in addressthe people of Golden and in their own interests as well as his asked their support at the polls in the present contest.

Mr. Gordon Hunter, barrister, Victoria, then ascended the platform in support of Mr. Neilson's candidature and at some length defended the policy of the government which he considered the wisest and most honest that the country could adopt. That the opposition or oppositions, because they were many and varied were nothing more than a bundle of negatives. They had no straightforward policy, even Mr. Wells did not seem to know where he was or what policy he would support. He was something like Mahomet's coffin suspended between heaven and air. "He is there all the same" was the smart rejoindsr to this assertion made by a member of the audience.

Mr. E.A. Haggen in a very racy speech traversed several of the statements made by the previous speakers and urged the electors to support the candidature of Mr. Wells as being the best man to represent the interests of the riding of North East Kootenay in the Provincial parliament.

The meeting was closed with votes of thanks to the speakers and chairman.

FOOTBALL.

Match at Golden Between City and Suburban Teams.

(CONTRIBUTED.)

A football match took place on Saturday last between city and suburban teams, the suburban team consisting of employees of the Golden Lumber Co. captained by Mr. Robertson and the city team consisting of Goldenites captained by Mr Wilson. The game was an interesting one and was keenly and closely contested. At the end victory rested with the mill employees by the narrow margin of one goal to none. This advantage was not a great deal, as owing to the splendid goal-keeping of the winning side the man in charge of the defence was always on the alert, kept cool and effected some splendid saves. Considering the difficulties the players had to contend against on account of the unevenness of the ground, the bushes and other disadvantages, both teams are to be highly congratulated on the display they gave. There was some very good individual play and the kicking on both sides was distinctly good. If the players could only have had more time for practice before they go to Donald on 1st July we should not despair of their returning with winning laurels. There were a good number of spectators of the play who watched the game with great interest. We hope that football has come to town to stay. Love of all manly games is inherited in every section of the Anglo-Saxon race, and the many lessons which are to be learnt from them have had no little to do in making our great empire what it is.

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OPENING OF THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

The political campaign in North East Kootenay has now commenced. On Friday last at Donald, William George Neilson, of Beaver, lumberman and Wilmer Cleveland Wells, of Palliser, mill owner, were nominated as candidates for the representation of the riding of North East Kootenay in the Provincial parliament. In our columns are the addresses to the electorate and the electors are invited to gaze upon the one and look upon the other, and then to read, ponder and inwardly digest. They are equally poor productions without much merit or ability. Neilson is solid for the government and will hang on to it. Wells is against it, for it, and also for Wells. How he is to succeed in carrying out this programme is a mystery. But Wells believes in Wells and this assurance will carry him through if he does not get drowned while washing Neilson's dirty linen. Last Monday the rivals met face to face in the presence of the electors of North East Kootenay resident in Golden, in the Alexander Hall, and both were tendered a good reception and gave expression to what political faith was in each of them.

WASHING OF POLITICAL LINEN.

The washing of soiled linen is never an edifying spectacle, and it becomes less so when done in public. This week the electors of East Kootenay resident in and near Golden were involuntarily the spectators of this process. Invited to hear the candidates aspiring for the honor of representing the riding of North East Kootenay in the Provincial Parliament, which sits at Victoria, express their views as to their fitness for that great honor, they were treated to the sorry spectacle of Mr. Wells, in the course of the proceedings, trying to wash some very dirty linen of Mr. Neilson. The electors of North East Kootenay do not want a washerwoman to represent them in the Provincial Parliament, however dexterous he may be in the process. They want the best man who will be of the best use to them in forwarding and promoting the interests of the Province, and particularly of North East Kootenay.

The great grievance of Mr. Wells and his great reason for being elected is that he asserts that Mr. Neilson promised to support him and instead of doing so he has come forward as a candidate himself. Mr. Neilson asserts that the promise was only conditional, and that the condition not being complied with he was free to act.

There has been some misunderstanding between the rival candidates. Both men are honorable men in the eyes of the world, and both men may be right in their version of their statements, and both men may be equally wrong. The electors are not going to sit in judgment on this petty strife; they have a more important duty to perform. The misunderstanding took place in private, and should have remained and been settled there. Surely Mr. Wells does not imagine that he and Mr. Neilson were and are the only eligible candidates for North East Kootenay and that if he secured Mr. Neilson's support he secured a safe seat. No; not by a long way is either he or Mr. Neilson the most suitable candidate for North East Kootenay. There are men of greater ability than either of them resident in the district who would have made better representatives and who would have scorned to adopt such arguments of the pot and kettle style in advancing their candidature and soliciting the suffrages of the constituency.

The electors would be very unwise to concern themselves much about the private grievances of Mr. Wells against Mr. Neilson, and if that is Mr. Wells' principal stock argument to persuade the electors of North East Kootenay to elect him as their representative, he had better quit the arena of political strife and betake himself to more congenial pursuits in the lumber region of Palliser.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES.

An appeal has been issued by the local Council of Women of Vancouver to the various rural municipalities and mining centres in British Columbia for pecuniary assistance in order to establish a home or training centre in Vancouver for nurses belonging to the Victorian Order. This order of nurses was founded by Lady Aberdeen in order to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, and already the order is numerous and popular and has four Homes or training centres in the Dominion for whence supplies of carefully trained and experienced nurses can be obtained. The order is especially established for the poor and needy who are unable to pay for the services of nurses, who in ordinary circumstances might be deprived of skilled nursing during their illness. The Order will also send nurses into those localities where neither doctors nor nurses are procurable. In many a remote mining centre where no medical skill exists such skilled help in the form of one of those nurses will be a great boon in seasons of sickness and times of accidents.

THE MINER hopes that the appeal now made will have a response in ample funds being raised to establish and equip a Home or nursing centre that will be a credit to the Order and worthy of the Province of British Columbia.

THE WINNIPEG TELEGRAM ON JOSEPH MARTIN,

Mr. Joseph Martin, (the political adventurer who aspires to oust and succeed the Turner-Pooley clique) political refugee from Winnipeg and Ottawa, where he can find no resting place for the political sole of his foot, is seeking fresh fields and pastures new in British Columbia, trusting to his being comparatively, and fortunately, unknown in that Province. His political aspirations are, as usual, lofty. He seeks to replace the present Opposition leader, and to eject the present premier, taking the honor and profit of both positions. Premier Turner must indeed be a bad man if Mr. Martin is a better one. Martin's whole political history reeks of depravity. He has avowed himself an annexationist, and as one willing to lead a revolt against the Dominion Government. He was stigmatized by his political partner in iniquity as "a man without heart or conscience." He, although Attorney General, and in that capacity the exponent of law and order, stimulated a breach of the peace at Fort Whyte in 1883; and, on another occasion, personally assaulted a constable. He is the man who fooled the French by positively assuring them that the Liberal party would never interfere with the privileges they then enjoyed, namely, the use of the French language and separate schools, and that "if they (the Liberals) came into power and made any attempt to interfere with their separate schools, or the use of the French language, he (Mr. Martin) would leave the Liberal party forever." This was immediately before he took office; and yet in 1890 he caused to be abolished the official use of the French language and Roman Catholic Separate Schools. In 1888 he was an impecunious attorney, barely able to pay his office rental. In 1890, after two years incumbency of the office of Attorney-General, he was stated by his own newspaper organ to be "in the front rank of provincial capitalists." He was thrown out of the Manitoba Ministry, and was spurned by the Laurier administration when the Liberals attained power at Ottawa. Such is the man who, as the hired advocate of the C. P. R.—whom he assailed until silenced with a C. P. R. solicitorship—seeks to rehabilitate himself at the expense of British Columbia. To most Manitobans it is inexplicable that such as he can get a hearing at all, but it is also amusing to read his speeches in the light of past experience. For instance, recently at Vancouver he strongly animadverted against the attempts of the British Columbia Government "to mislead the voters." Fancy Satan reproving sin—he who was the Machiavelli of the Greenway Government, the instigator of political perfidy, the man of all others whose character and conduct disgraced the name of "Liberal," and made "Grit" protestations a stink in the nostrils of all honest men. It would be assuming too much for the Telegram to advise British Columbians as to their own business; but a warning in time may be admissible. Before trusting Mr. Martin too far, read his history. When a man is so utterly unscrupulous, selfish and domineering that Greenway. Tarte and Sifton cannot tolerate him, it may well be supposed that British Columbia has no pressing need of his services.

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In coming forward as a candidate for your suffrages at the coming election, I think it proper at this time to briefly outline the policy that I propose to advocate if elected.

I believe in and will persistently urge the continuation of the present policy of the Government. It goes without saying that the future of the mining and farming interests of this Province is absolutely dependent upon a vigorous railway development in all parts of the country, and in this connection I am of the opinion that preference ought to be given to English and Canadian capitalists who come here seeking to invest their money in these enterprises, as by this course we would be more likely to secure the building of smelters within our own borders and thereby prevent our ore from being taken away to be smelted in a foreign country by foreign labor.

Liberal expenditures of public money on public works such as roads, trails, bridges, etc., are, in my opinion, at this stage both necessary and proper, in order to more rapidly open up the vast mineral and farming resources of the Province as a whole and East Kootenay in particular, and the returns which reward the large expenditures of money in West Kootenay will be easily duplicated in East Kootenay under the policy of expansion which I will, if elected, warmly support.

Notwithstanding the persistent attempts of certain members of the Opposition to run down the credit of the Province, its credit has advanced in the London money markets 19 per cent. within the last seven years, as against 12 per cent. for British consols, which is as you know the standard security of the world, and this fact is the best possible answer to the malicious charges of dishonesty or of bad management of our finances made by these persons, and is at the same time the best possible guarantee that the Government will be able to carry on that vigorous development of our railroads, roads and trails, which, as I have said, I will persistently advocate and support.

Dominion politics have nothing to do with this election; it is simply a question of who are the best men to have in office, and believing that the present Premier is the best suited of all those party leaders now before the Electorate to have the direction of public affairs by reason of his ability, energy and fair-mindedness, I intend, if elected, to give him my hearty support so long as he pursues the same honest, vigorous and even-handed policy which has been followed in the past.

Respectfully yours,

W. G. NEILSON.

Golden, B.C., June 27th, 1898.

DONALD

Sports Prögrämme

Baseball Match

On evening of June 30th, Donald vs. Revelstoke, for a prize valued at $40.00.

DOMINION DAY.

Gun Club Shoot at 9k. Sharp.

Football Tournament.

Athletic Sports Comprising:

	1st prize. (value)	2nd prize. (value)
One hundred yards foot race	$5.00	$3.00
Running long jump	3.00	2.00
Hop, step and jump	3.00	2.00
Tossing the caber	3.00	2.00
Putting shot	3.00	2.00
Quarter mile foot race	8.00	4.00

BICYCLE RACES.

One mile amateur	Gold Medal	Silver Medal
Two mile open	$10.00 value	$5 00 value

Five mile handicap for Cup presented by Dr. Cross (Donald)

Football Tournament—Final at 19.30 o'clock.

Tug of War for keg of beer presented by Enterprise Brewery Co. of Revelstoke, B.C.—Donald vs. All Comers, teams to be comprised of ten men.

In all contests three to compete or no event. No entrance fees charged.

Dance in the evening at I.O.O.F. Hall. Grand March at 22 o'clock sharp. Everybody invited.

Campaign Opened

W. C. Wells' Address to the Electors of this District.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE NORTH RIDING OF EAST KOOTENAY:

My nomination as an Opposition Candidate in the approaching General Election for our Legislature, calls on me to state to you briefly, the course, which in my opinion, I should take if elected as your Representative.

So far as I have been able to measure the feeling of this Constituency, it is one of disappointment in the administration of our Provincial affairs. In the present contest I am glad to say, we are not so divided on party lines, as to debar us from taking our choice of men throughout the Province for the ensuing parliamentary term, and it is to be hoped that an independent effort will be made in this direction. Holding the opinion, as I do, that the record of the present Government, in the disposal of public lands, and their administration of the Provincial finances, not having been such as to command my support, it is my plain duty, for the present, to claim your suffrages as an Opposition Candidate. This does not necessarily mean that I must place myself in such antagonism to any administration, as to defeat what should be my primary object as a Representative, namely, the interest of my own Constituency.

Nor does it mean that I am in full alliance with the Opposition party as it has stood before the Legislature during the past four years. For this reason, if no other, I would ask at the hands of my constituents, if elected, a free indulgence of my own judgment as to the course I should adopt in this particular respect. I look for at least a reconstruction as the result of the general election, and that we may have an administration fully meeting the demands of our rising Province.

The large appropriation of $5,000,000 under the recent Public Works Loan Amendment Act, while indicating a generous tendency in the disposal of public funds, cannot meet the approval of interior constituencies. We are interested in something more than building up our terminal cities, and the exclusive welfare of districts immediately tributary to them. It will therefore, be my first contention that substantial justice should be given to the eastern portion of this Province, as compensation for the enormous appropriation made directly, I consider, in the interest of Coast constituencies, for which we too have to bear our share of the burthen. In this connection, I may say that the terms subsidizing the Teslin Lake Railway have my approval as a legitimate business transaction, apart from other considerations, and which are: First, whether there is an urgent necessity to build, at present, the southern portion of this line; and secondly, whether we have not been too precipitate in snatching from the Dominion Government, a responsibility which rightly belongs to it, in the interest of eastern provinces, more than to British Columbia. We have, within ourselves, sufficiently attractive features in our vast mineral resources, to fully warrant the investment of capital and the influx of population, or in other words, we have our own affairs, to which it might be better, at present, that we give our undivided consideration. I mean by this that, being so wholly dependent as we are upon the opening up and energetic development of our mines, the further construction of roads, and increased facilities of interior transportation, becomes an imperative necessity. To this I will urge the consideration of the Government, and trust that in justice to this, the extreme eastern constituency of the Province, further appropriation will be now made, and that we may have, at least, what fairly belongs to us.

My election at your hands, I would accept as a mark of confidence and trust, sufficient to determine me in guarding faithfully the position in which you shall have placed me as your Representative. In my appreciation of this trust, and an earnest endeavour to serve your interests, I sincerely hope that it will not be expected that I am to defeat, or risk the opportunity given me, by such a thankless allegiance to party measures as might thwart what I consider my imperative duty towards developing the material resources of the North Riding of East Kootenay.

Anticipating and thanking you for your support,

I am at your service,

W. C. WELLS.

PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] THOS. R. McINNES.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these Presents shall come.—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. EBERTS, Attorney-General. } WHEREAS it is advisable to establish the following polling places in the several and respective Electoral Districts hereinafter named.

NOW KNOW YE that, by virtue of the authority contained in the "Provincial Elections Act," the Lieutenant-Governor in Council declares that the following polling places shall be, and they are hereby, established for the several Electoral Districts, the names of which are set opposite such polling places, respectively, that is to say:—

POLLING PLACES.	ELECTORAL DISTRICT.
Rogers Pass, Beaver, Donald, Golden, Palliser, Field, Windermere, Galena, Columbia Valley, Canal Flat	East Kootenay—North Riding.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable THOS. R. McINNES, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province, this fifteenth day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in the sixty-first year of Our Reign.

By Command.

A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,

Deputy Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE.

All persons having claims against Mr. A. G. M. Spragge, barrister, late of Revelstoke, and formerly of Donald and Golden, are requested to send particulars of their claims to the undersigned in care of Molsons Bank, Revelstoke Station, B.C.

GEO S McCARTER,

Solicitor for Mrs Spragge.

NOTICE.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the Upper Columbia Navigation and Tramway Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's office at Golden, B.C., on Thursday the 30th day of June, A.D., 1898, at one o'clock in the afternoon, for the election of Directors, authorizing the payment of a portion of the Mortgage Bonds of the Company, and for the ordering of the affairs of the Company generally.

By order of the Board.

C. H. PARSON,

Secretary.

Golden, B.C., June 7th, 1898.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENT.

NOTICE.

TORONTO FRACTION MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Golden Mining Division of East Kootenay District. Where located—On Spillemacheen Mountain.

Take notice that I, John McRae, Free Miner's Certificate No. 86930, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 13th day of January, 1898.

JOHN McRAE,

By his agent Geo. S. McCarter.

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IN THE

North Riding

Of East Kootenay District.

Armstrong, Robert	Donald	Machinist
Bertrand, William	Beaver	Labourer
Bigger, Ernest Bismark	"	Millhand
Billett, Tom William	"	Labourer
Brown, Amos William	Donald	Engineer
Brown, George	Beaver	Millhand
Carey, Thomas	Donald	Engineer
Carlin, Joseph David	Field	Merchant
Clarke, William	Donald	Butcher
Fossacecca, Christanzia	Donald	Labourer
Fulmer, Leonard Crane	Golden	Contractor
Fynbah, Christian	Beaver	Millhand
Glynn, Andy	Beaver	Labourer
Haygarth, William	Ottertail	Labourer
Jackson, John Thomas	Beaver	Labourer
Lamey, David	Donald	Free miner
Liddell, Sydney Albert	Beaver	Cook
Mackintosh, James Ross	Beaver	Accountant
McCrimmon, Donald	"	Labourer
Meek, Charles	"	"
Menard, Alexander	"	"
Phillips, John Wellington	Palliser	Cook
Reilly, Isaac Robert	Ottertail	Lumber manufacturer
Reilly, William Samuel	"	"
Shaugnessy, Patrick	Beaver	Labourer
Skene, James	Donald	Engineer
Stalker, George Fred	Beaver	Clerk
Troyer, Christian	Windermere	Miner
Vincent, Nageree	Beaver	Blacksmith
Warren, Henry	Beaver	Millhand
Wells, James Douglas	Palliser	Book-keeper
Wixon, Arthur	Golden	Labourer

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GOLDEN

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The C. P. R. traffic receipts for the week ending June 21st were $475,000; for the same week last year they were $462,000.

Mr. Harry Estelle brought into Golden on Wednesday some very fine specimens of copper ore. The find was made in the vicinity of Canon creek, in the Golden mining division.

James Brady, M.E., came in from the south on Tuesday evening by the steamer Duchess from Thunderhill and left on the following day for the west. Mr. Brady has now nearly recovered from the effects of his accident.

Mr. Aulay Morrison, M.P., New Westminster, passed through Golden this week on his way home from attending his Parliamentary duties at Ottawa. He was interested in ascertaining the fact that in all probability the Opposition would carry their candidates in East Kootenay.

Chalmers McKay, otherwise better known as "Cham" McKay, was a passenger on Wednesday's No. 2 bound for Calgary. It will be remembered that early in the spring he left with companions for the Yukon, taking with them a large number of cattle, which they were going to drive overland. "Cham" is now on his way east to procure more cattle.

Here is how United States war news is manufactured by the General's typewriter:

The typewriter stood on the General's desk.
Whence all but it had fled;
The fleet they had bottled was all but a wreck,
The last lone mule was dead.
But the General sprang to the typewriter's side,
And he barged each rattling key
With his daily message across the tide
Of another great victory.

There passed through Golden last Saturday a special train containing a considerable portion of the outfit belonging to Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann, railway contractors, which had been taken by them to construct the contemplated railway between the head of the navigable waters of the Stickine river and Teslin lake, in order to open up a Canadian route through British Columbia to the Yukon, but which the adverse vote of the Senate killed in refusing quietly and wisely to sanction the subsidy to construct this railway route. The outfit consisted of 180 horses and a gang of 85 men. The horses were in splendid condition, notwithstanding their long travel down the Stickine to Vancouver. The outfit was under the charge of Mr. Keith, foreman and manager, and will be employed on the new contract that Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann have down east.

MINING NEWS.

With the object of taking over the Golden, British Columbia Limited, which operates in East Kootenay the new Golden British Columbia, Limited, was registered in London, on the 27th ult., with a capital of £12,000 in £1 shares. This is the company of which Mr. Mitchell-Innes is the manager and which holds some of the most valuable mining properties in East Kootenay.

Some time ago it was proposed to celebrate this year the seven hundredth anniversary of the discovery of coal in Europe, which, it was claimed, was made near Liege, in Belgium, in 1198. Dr. F. Buttgenbach has now published a pamphlet to prove that the first discovery was made eighty-five years earlier, in 1113, in the basin of the River Worm, north of Aix-la-Chapelle. He brings forward says the Engineering & Mining Journal, much evidence to prove that outcrops of coal were worked in that year and long after by the monks of Kerkrade, who first discovered its qualities as fuel and utilized the mineral, or "black earth," as it was called. The word "kuhl," an old German term meaning a pit, was the origin, according to this statement, of the German "kohl" and the English "coal." The generally accepted legend has been that coal was first used at Liege by a blacksmith named Hullos, from whose name comes the French "houille"—coal He found that the "black earth" which outcropped near Liege could be used in the forge instead of charcoal. Coal, however had been used at Sheffield, in England, some fifteen years earlier for the same purpose. There was mining in Scotland for coal from a very early date and among the first royal palaces to use coal was the palace of Dumferline. Some of the oldest acts of parliament regulate the working of labourers on the "coal heights." Coal in those earlier days was wrought in the same manner as freestone quarries, from the breast or face but gradually mining took place and the seams of coal were followed in tunnels and then gradually came pit sinking with shafts and tunnels until the present system of extensive workings came into existence.

Mackenzie-Glover.

By far the best concert, comedy and drama combination that ever struck our town appeared in the Alexander Hall, Golden, on Tuesday evening last, when the Mackenzie-Glover company delighted a small but highly appreciative audience with selections of Scottish character songs and recitations. As a singer Mr. Mackenzie is hard to beat, his rich baritone voice ringing out clearly in all corners of the hall and holding the audience spell-bound. His songs are all well selected and well rendered.

Miss Jessie Glover also created an impression as an elocutionist, in which she is an artiste. Her manner and action is highly commendable, as her voice is clear and strong and carries great force with it.

On Wednesday evening the company appeared again in the same place by special request and were greeted with a big house. Needless to say every number was well received and the audience were alternately pitched into patriotism and laughter. We bespeak every success for Mr. Mackenzie and Miss Glover.

Close of Golden Public School.

Golden Public School was closed last Friday for the annual summer holidays. During the week written examinations were held, and on Friday a public examination took place in the presence of parents and friends of the pupils. In this examination in various branches of knowledge by different classes the pupils showed great ability and how much they had profited from the instruction of their teacher, Mr. Bates, during the past season. The examinations were creditable alike to teacher and pupil.

The following is the result of the week's written examinations:

SENIOR FIFTH.—MAX. MARKS 750.
1st—Laura Kenny, 655.

JUNIOR FIFTH.—750.
1st—Gertie Fields, 586.
2nd—Ralph Kenny, 548.

FOURTH.—800.
1st—Ernest Sutherland, 615.
2nd—Malie Anderson, 597.
3rd—Mary Connor, 576.
4th—Charlie Bubar, 490.

SENIOR THIRD.—700.
1st—Willie Houston, 573.
2nd—Ida Bookhout, 522.
3rd—Emily Kenny, Maggie Archer, 403.
4th—Ella May Love, 395.
5th—S. Johnson, 324.

JUNIOR THIRD.—600.
1st—Bert Hanna, 444.
2nd—Lottie Woodley, 396.
3rd—Arthur Jaynes, 381.
4th—Violet Pughe, 378.
5th—Lila Love, 339.
6th—George Love, 315.
7th—Josie Leveque, 289.

SECOND.—600.
1st—Minnie Sutherland, 433.
2nd—Adelaide Leveque, 291.
3rd—Blanche Love, 259.
4th—Mabel Archer, 243.
5th—Addie Antoya, 224.
6th—Fannie Conner, 211.
7th—Hattie Rutherford, 205.

II. PRIMER.—300.
1st—Percy Lake, 262.
2nd—Roy Hanna, 235.
3rd—Katie Pughe, 226.
4th—Katie Kenny, 205.
5th—Lawrence Dalcust, 176.
6th—Owena Starforth, 153.
7th—Allan Hanna, 134.

Mary Ann Kenny passed the examination for the High School and the following rolls of honor were awarded: For proficiency, Gladys Houston; for deportment, Lottie May Woodley; for punctuality and regularity, Kate Kenny. Katie Kenny was only two days absent out of a total of 215.

The number of pupils in attendance during the year was 67, and the average attendance was about 38. There were two public examinations held during the year. In the course of the year the Minister of Education visited the school twice, the Inspector of Schools six times and the Trustees made twelve visits.

LASH-HAMILTON CONCERT.

As stated last week the Lash-Hamilton concert company will appear in the Columbia House hall on Thursday evening July 7th, under the auspices of the football club. The Eastern press speaks highly of this company and a first class entertainment is promised. The plan of reserved seats is now open at G. B. McDermot's store and the seats are going rapidly. Arrangements have been made for a dance at the conclusion of the entertainment which will prove a suitable wind-up to the evening's enjoyment. Remember the date—July 7th.

Church Services.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The services at St. Paul's church, Golden, on Sunday next, July 3rd, will be as follows:

At 11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Celebration of the Holy Communication.
At 7.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer and sermon.
Choir practice at 8 p.m. Saturday.
Rev. H. B. Turner, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Service will be held in connection with the Methodist church on Sunday next as follows: Donald, at 11 a.m.; Golden, at 7.30 p.m. Everybody is welcome at these services.
Prayer meeting on Tuesday at 8 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday Services—11 a.m.
Sunday school & Bible class at 2:30 p.m.
Thursday—Choir practice 8 p.m.
Friday—Prayer meeting 8 p.m.
Rev. W. S. Wright, Pastor.

PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] THOS. R. McINNES.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and to all whom it may concern,—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. EBERTS, Attorney-General. WHEREAS We have thought fit, by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our Province of British Columbia, to dissolve the present Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, which stands prorogued until summoned for dispatch of business.

NOW KNOW YE that We do, for this end, publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby dissolve the Legislative Assembly accordingly and the members thereof are discharged from further attendance on same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable THOS. R. McINNES, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this seventh day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in the sixty-first year of Our Reign.

By Command.

B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE,
Registrar of the Supreme Court.

PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] THOS. R. McINNES.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come,—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. EBERTS, Attorney-General. WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature, We do make known Our Royal Will and Pleasure to call a new Legislative Assembly of Our said Province; and do further declare that by the advice of Our Executive Council of British Columbia, We have this day given orders for issuing Our Writs in form, for calling a new Legislative Assembly for Our said Province, which Writs are to bear date on the seventh day of June, instant, and to be returnable on or before the thirty-first day of August next.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable THOS. R. McINNES, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this seventh day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in sixty-first year of Our Reign.

By Command.

B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE,
Registrar of the Supreme Court.

PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] THOS. R. McINNES.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To the Returning Officer of the North Riding of East Kootenay Electoral District:

WHEREAS His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has, by a Proclamation bearing date the 7th day of June, 1898, been pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the said Province; and whereas it is necessary to hold Elections throughout the said Province to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution, We command you that, notice of the time and place of Election being duly given, you do cause Election to be made, according to law, of One Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia for the North Riding of East Kootenay Electoral District, and that you do cause the nomination of Candidates at such Election to be held on the 25th day of June, 1898, and do cause the name of such Member, when so elected, whether he be present or absent, to be certified to Our Supreme Court, at the City of Victoria, on or before the 31st day of August next, the Election so made, distinctly and openly under Our Seal duly indorsed upon this Our Writ.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have these Our Letters to be made Patent under the Great Seal of Our said Province of British Columbia: WITNESS, the Honourable THOMAS R. McINNES, at Our Government House, at Victoria, this seventh day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

By Command.

B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE,
Registrar of the Supreme Court.

NOTICE.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
8th June, 1898.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to appoint STEPHEN REDGRAVE, Esquire, to be Returning Officer for the North Riding of East Kootenay Electoral District; and

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to appoint and declare the Court House, Donald, to be the place for the nomination of candidates for election to the Legislative Assembly in the North Riding of East Kootenay Electoral District.

NOTICE.

REDISTRIBUTION ACT 1898.

A COURT will be holden at the Court House, Donald, on Wednesday the 29th day of June, 1898, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of hearing and deciding all objections filed with me under authority of sub-section 2 of section 22 of the Redistribution Act, 1898.

JOSIAH STIRRETT,
Collector of Votes,
North Riding East Kootenay District.
Donald, June 10th, 1898.

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