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Ice River valley is reached, from Golden the supply point, by travelling 20 miles east on the C. P. R. to Leanchoil, thence by bridle trail 11 miles (which has lately been surveyed for a wagon road to be constructed this coming spring). If one is fond of sport and would fish or shoot, he will find the river and creeks flowing into it abundantly stocked with the speckled beauties and the mountain slopes surrounding this valley presents the very best opportunities for the use of the rifle. Game of every description abounds and among the different varieties may be mentioned moose, goat, deer, bear lynx, grouse, partridge and spruce phesant. In fact, to the practisel sportsman, this part of the district presents advantages for the indulgence of his favorite pastime. At the extreme head of Ice river stands the famous Mount Godsal on the right and Mount Hunter on the left, and from their lofty peaks some 13,000 feet above the sea one can take in a panoramic view that for beauty is strongly spoken of by such famous explorers as Edward Whymper and others who have put in the past summer exploring and climbing their lofty peaks.

Ice river is a tributary of the Beaver foot, which in turn flows into the Kicking Horse near Leanchoil. The The river takes its rise in a glacial belt in the Rocky Mountains south of the railway line. Here a dyke of intrusive granite some fourteen miles in length rises through the lime and the locality abounds in splendid mineral prospects.

The values of the different minerals so far discovered are as follows:

Zinc, 54 per cent. and gold $7.60.
Copper from 9 to 20 per cent.
Silver from 10 to 1005 ozs. per ton.
Gold from $4 to $60 per ton.
Black Mica from fine to 8 x 8 inch cubes.

The veins are mostly contact veins and are large and well defined.

Owing to its situation and very early season it is a most inviting field for investors and explorers.

DIAMOND HITCH.

ADVERTISING GOLDEN.

The B. C. Mining Record for December has the following paragraph illustrated by a cut made from a photo by L. H. Estell:

"The accompanying photograph shows a pack train conveying a first consignment of mica from claims in the Big Bend district to Golden. During the past summer several mica occurences have been tentatively worked in this region and also at Ice river, east of Golden. In the elbow of the Big Bend of the Columbia river, some 24 claims have been located, on veins from two to three hundred feet wide, in a mica-schist formation. At Ice river a number of locations have also been made, and a trial shipment of a ton of mica was forwarded to England this month."

From this will be seen the benefit of supplying reliable news to the local paper of any mining properties. Our mining exchanges look for these items and by reproducing the information give outside investors a chance to know what districts are worthy of attention.

BRIEF MENTION.

Andrew Carnegie has donated $10,000,000 to establish a university at Washington to be devoted exclusively to "higher" education.

The Province says that the Conservatives of Vancouver are considering the purchase of The World. If the deal goes through the editorial rooms will surely be haunted by the ghost of J. C. McLagan.

The customs officer at Victoria is holding the plans and specification of the Point Ellice and Fraser river bridges, prepared by American architects, until duty amounting to $3,000 is paid.

At a session of the Privy Council held in London on Dec. 10, King Edward definitely fixed June 26, 1902, as the date for his coronation. It was also decided that parliament will meet on January 16.

H B. Gilmour, M.P P., of Vancouver, was in town on Monday. His visit was on business, but, of course, he talked politics as well. Mr. Gilmour is of the opinion that the coming Liberal convention will be held in Vancouver. He left on Monday's No. 1 for home.

Premier Dunsmuir had a narrow escape the other day while inspecting one of his mines. While down in the workings smoke was encountered and the party had barely time to retreat before an explosion occurred. Even if they had escape injury by the explosion they would surely have been caught by the deadly after-damp, from which there is little hope of escape. The mine will be flooded.

The Alexandra coal mine, owned by Premier Dunsmuir, was closed by order of Manager Faulds owing to the miners leaving their work to attend the mass meeting of miners in Nanaimo last Saturday. The meeting was called to discuss the amalgamation of all miners' union on Vancouver Island, which movement is opposed by the Dunsmuirs. The meeting was a stormy one, Chairman Ralph Smith having his hands full at times to preserve order. A vote was passed in favor of the proposed amalgamation and a committee appointed to draft by-laws, etc., and report at a meeting to be held in the near future.

A man by the name of Keenleyside was found dead in a Calgary hotel last week, and for a time it was thought a murder had been committed as there was a contusion on his scalp and a hole in his skull. The good people Calgary were very much excited over the affair, and when a clairvoyant, after working the usual fit, gave a heart rending account of the murder and a description of the murderer, the excitement reached fever point. When the evidence of the medical men, who conducted the post mortem, was given at the inquest, it was found that Keenleyside's death was due to a rupture of a blood-vessel in the brain, and the hole in the skull had been made some time ago when the deceased was undergoing treatment for an injury received while engaged in following his trade of machinist in Winnipeg.

Read our special announcement this week on page 3.

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Mr. Thos. O'Brien left today for the Old Country. He sails per SS. Tunisian from Halifax on Dec. 16.

Hon. F. W. Aylmer received, on Saturday, the sad news of the death of his father, which is noted in another column.

The finest plum puddings in the world are made in England. Crosse & Blackwell make them; Parson sells them in Golden.

The dishes sent to the Hospital ball have been left with Mr. C. A Warren, from whom anyone who have not received their plates back may secure them.

Mr. J. Lamont, of Gravenhurst, Ont., a cousin of Mr. George Sinclair, arrived in town last week and has accepted a position with the Columbia River Lumber Co. here.

Mr. J. Franzen has so far recovered from the effects of his recent accident as to be able to get around with the aid of a stick, though it will be a considerable time before he recovers the use of his injured leg.

The new school house is so far completed as to give an idea of its size and general appearance. It is a neat little building, but large enough to provide for the needs of the primary division for some time to come.

Mr. Geo. Sinclair has re-furnished the sleeping apartments of the Russell House, which he purchased recently. Mr. Sinclair has made hosts of friends in the short time he has been in charge of the Russell, who are pleased with his success.

On page two of this issue will be found a most interesting account of the high compliment paid to a Canadian manufacturer. We refer to the order placed with the Moosejaw Flour Mills by H R.H the Duchess of York and Cornwall.

The instruments for the Golden-Windermere telegraph line arrived this week, and Mr. V. F. Duane leaves for Windermere on Friday to install them. Now we hope the Outcrop will be satisfied and take advantage of telegraphic communication to keep abreast of the times.

The Outcrop, in its last issue, wants the towns in the Windermere district to amalgamate. We fear this is rather a large order as the settlements there are spread over a territory that, roughly speaking, contains about 28 square miles, and each one is considered by its residents as the best possible site obtainable. Push it along, Bro. Evans.

There will be a Christmas tree and entertainment given to the children of of the Presbyterian congregation on New Year's Eve in the church. The ladies having charge of the subscription list are meeting with success in collecting funds to give the youngsters a good time. It is now up to enterprising boys to keep up their attendance at both the Methodist and Presbyterian schools enough to qualify them for both entertainments.

The ladies of the Methodist church are making good progress with the programme for the Sunday school entertainment to be held in Columbia Hall on the evening of Christmas day. The concert promises to be one of the best ever held and those who attend will be sure of a good time.

The weather so far this winter has not fulfilled the expectations of those who looked for a long and severe winter, the month of November being exceptionally mild. December has started in the same manner and the prospects of an early commencement of curling and skating are rapidly fading away

The New York Theatre Co., of which Mr. J. G. Stuttz is manager, will be in Golden in the near future. The excellence of the performances given by this company, on its last visit here should ensure good houses. They will stage an historical play from the pen of J. G. Stuttz, entitled "La Bastille," of which the late Jas. G. Blaine said, "Not a fiction but a reality. Every child, father and mother should see it.

In our editorial notes this week we referred to the unsuitability of the name first proposed for the force now recruiting in Canada for service in South Africa. Among our dispatches will be found one giving the information that Dr. Borden has given notice that the force will be called Canadian Mounted Infantry, which is far more appropriate, The Doctor is to be congratulated on his choice of name.

J. Brady, P.L.S., and party returned from Ice river on Saturday last, having completd the survey of the route of the proposed wagon road from Leanchoil to Ice river, a distance of a little over 11 miles. They had a most disagreeable trip, the work being much hampered by the amount of soft snow with which the thick second growth was loaded. In spite of these difficulties, Mr. Brady made a very complete survey and will furnish the Government with sufficient data to enable them to estimate the cost of the road very closely.

Among the telegraphic dispatches of Nov. 27th was the following from Toronto: "James Field, of Milton, died while undergoing an operation at the Western hospital. He was under the influence of an anaesthetic and seemed to be standing it favorably, but towards the end he collapsed suddenly and expired almost immediately." The gentleman here referred to is the father of our popular druggist, C. W. Field. In conversation with Mr. J. Dolmage, who knew the deceased gentleman, we learn that this was the third operation Mr. Field had found it necessary to undergo as a result of a severe attack of typhoid fever which he experienced this summer. The deceased gentleman was at the time of his death, gaoler of Halton county, having held that position for many years. He was an old and respected resident of Milton, having been engaged in the manufacture of pumps before receiving the appointment of gaoler. His manufactory was leased to outside parties at the time of his death and in addition he owned other valuable property in Milton. He leaves a widow and two children, our townsman, C. W. Field, and a daughter who resides at home. Mr. Field has the sympathy of friends in Golden in this great sorrow that has clouded his Christmas.

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Napoleon Wells, railway employee, of Field, B.C., Defendant.

To Napoleon Wells, the above named defendant:

TAKE NOTICE that a Default Summons and Plaint has been issued out of this Court against you in an action entered against you by Carlin & Wyckoff, of Field, B.C., Merchants, to recover the sum of $51.00 being for goods sold and delivered by the above named plaintiffs to you the said defendant, and that in pursuance of an order of His Honor Judge Forin, you are required within thirty days from the first publication of this notice in the GOLDEN ERA newspaper, to file your dispute, if any, with the Registrar of this Court at Golden, otherwise judgment may be entered against you.

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There seems to be no limit to the marvellous mineral wealth thoughout the Ice River region encircled by the treasure-laden Rocky mountains which mother Nature selected as the storehouse for large deposits of precious minerals. In fact the district is fast attaining great prominence, so great that there is an earnest effort on the part of Conservative investors to get in on the ground floor in this favored section which offers so many inducements for profitable investments, and, on account of its situation, a grand field for prospecting. For years this portion of the Golden Mining District was unrecognized and only when the actual results of the ore values were known to be rich, was anything like the proper attention given it. Today, when its merits are becoming established beyond any question, an era of mining activity is drawing near which is destined to make this section take rapid strides to the very pinnacle of fame. A lavish hand has been shown by Nature in bestowing its gifts of gold and silver to this district. Like Leadville district, the Ice River mineral belts revels in great possibilities with the following promising prospects at very door: London, Lion, Liverpool, Shining Beauty, Black Warrior, Union Jack, Inglewood, Red Mike. Drumbarton and others too numerous to mention, but as promising. This camp is bound to come to the front.

This valley is one of the most picturesque in British Columbia, being surrounded by mountains that for beauty is seldom equalled and never surpassed. The mountains slope up gently from the river banks until the timber line is reached, forming a chain peaks that extend for miles, broken only by the channel of some mountain torrent which tumbles over pretty falls until it reaches the crystal bosom of the Beaver-foot. Taking in the snow-capped peaks and glaciers the picture is grand, but its beauty is not complete until the sun throws its golden rays on the dazzling whiteness on the summits, when the effect is sublime.

Ice River valley is reached, from Golden the supply point, by travelling 20 miles east on the C. P. R. to Leanchoil, thence by bridle trail 11 miles (which has lately been surveyed for a wagon road to be constructed this coming spring). If one is fond of sport and would fish or shoot, he will find the river and creeks flowing into it abundantly stocked with the speckled beauties and the mountain slopes surrounding this valley presents the very best opportunities for the use of the rifle. Game of every description abounds and among the different varieties may be mentioned moose, goat, deer, bear lynx, grouse, partridge and spruce phesant. In fact, to the practical sportsman, this part of the district presents advantages for the indulgence of his favorite pastime. At the extreme head of Ice river stands the famous Mount Godsal on the right and Mount Hunter on the left, and from their lofty peaks some 13,000 feet above the sea one can take in a panoramic view that for beauty is strongly spoken of by such famous explorers as Edward Whymper and others who have put in the past summer exploring and climbing their lofty peaks.

Ice river is a tributary of the Beaver foot, which in turn flows into the Kicking Horse near Leanchoil. The The river takes its rise in a glacial belt in the Rocky Mountains south of the railway line. Here a dyke of intrusive granite some fourteen miles in length rises through the lime and the locality abounds in splendid mineral prospects.

The values of the different minerals so far discovered are as follows:

Zinc, 54 per cent. and gold $7.60.
Copper from 9 to 20 per cent.
Silver from 10 to 1005 ozs. per ton.
Gold from $4 to $60 per ton.
Black Mica from fine to 8 x 8 inch cubes.

The veins are mostly contact veins and are large and well defined.

Owing to its situation and very early season it is a most inviting field for investors and explorers.

DIAMOND HITCH.

ADVERTISING GOLDEN.

The B. C. Mining Record for December has the following paragraph illustrated by a cut made from a photo by L. H. Estell:

"The accompanying photograph shows a pack train conveying a first consignment of mica from claims in the Big Bend district to Golden. During the past summer several mica occurences have been tentatively worked in this region and also at Ice river, east of Golden. In the elbow of the Big Bend of the Columbia river, some 24 claims have been located, on veins from two to three hundred feet wide, in a mica-schist formation. At Ice river a number of locations have also been made, and a trial shipment of a ton of mica was forwarded to England this month."

From this will be seen the benefit of supplying reliable news to the local paper of any mining properties. Our mining exchanges look for these items and by reproducing the information give outside investors a chance to know what districts are worthy of attention.

BRIEF MENTION.

Andrew Carnegie has donated $10,000,000 to establish a university at Washington to be devoted exclusively to "higher" education.

The Province says that the Conservatives of Vancouver are considering the purchase of The World. If the deal goes through the editorial rooms will surely be haunted by the ghost of J. C. McLagan.

The customs officer at Victoria is holding the plans and specification of the Point Ellice and Fraser river bridges, prepared by American architects, until duty amounting to $3,000 is paid.

At a session of the Privy Council held in London on Dec. 10, King Edward definitely fixed June 26, 1902, as the date for his coronation. It was also decided that parliament will meet on January 16.

H B. Gilmour, M.P P., of Vancouver, was in town on Monday. His visit was on business, but, of course, he talked politics as well. Mr. Gilmour is of the opinion that the coming Liberal convention will be held in Vancouver. He left on Monday's No. 1 for home.

Premier Dunsmuir had a narrow escape the other day while inspecting one of his mines. While down in the workings smoke was encountered and the party had barely time to retreat before an explosion occurred. Even if they had escape injury by the explosion they would surely have been caught by the deadly after-damp, from which there is little hope of escape. The mine will be flooded.

The Alexandra coal mine, owned by Premier Dunsmuir, was closed by order of Manager Faulds owing to the miners leaving their work to attend the mass meeting of miners in Nanaimo last Saturday. The meeting was called to discuss the amalgamation of all miners' union on Vancouver Island, which movement is opposed by the Dunsmuirs. The meeting was a stormy one, Chairman Ralph Smith having his hands full at times to preserve order. A vote was passed in favor of the proposed amalgamation and a committee appointed to draft by-laws, etc., and report at a meeting to be held in the near future.

A man by the name of Keenleyside was found dead in a Calgary hotel last week, and for a time it was thought a murder had been committed, as there was a contusion on his scalp and a hole in his skull The good people Calgary were very much excited over the affair, and when a clairvoyant, after working the usual act, gave a heart rending account of the murder and a description of the murderer, the excitemant reached fever point. When the evidence of the medical men, who conducted the post mortem, was given at the inquest. It was found that Keenleyside's death was due to a rupture of a blood-vessel in the brain, and the hole in the skull had been made some time ago when the deceased was undergoing treatment for an injury received while engaged in following his trade of machinist in Winnipeg.

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THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

During the past season that part of the district of N. E. Kootenay known as the Windermere Mining Division has received special attention in the matter of read construction, practically the whole appropriation for N.E. Kootenay being expended on the wagon roads up Toby and Horse Thief creeks. This fact has led The Outcrop to indulge in some rather boastful utterances which, though intended as high praise for our member, Hon. W. C. Wells, have had an opposite effect when read by those unacquainted with the actual facts. The Cranbrook Herald, for example, took The Outcrop's article as a text for a homily on the awful depravity of a minister who would use the public funds to make himself solid in his own constituency, etc. For the benefit of these growlers we would call their attention to the fact that in spite of the fact that S. E. Kootenay is well served by railroads, the land grants for which have not all come from within its boundaries, the total amounts appropriated in the past three years for N. E. Kootenay are only $8.600 more than S.E. Kootenay received. Further, during the past year when Mr. Wells has been Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, and as such was in a position to favor this district if he so desired, the appropriation for S.E. Kootenay was only $1,900 less than that set aside for N. E. Kootenay. These figures are not to be questioned, and anyone can verify them by reference to the estimates. We presume that the Herald published its article without making due investigation, and trust that it will not delay in retracting its mistake in imputing to Hon. W. C Wells a desire to prostitute his office for the purpose of buying his seat.

BIG BEND MICA.

An Interesting Letter from J.F. Smith of Kamloops.

EDITOR ERA:

Sir,—I had occasion to visit your enterprising little town not long since at the instance of Mr. C. P. Price and his associates for the purpose of examining and otherwise assisting in the preparation for market what may be now termed your first consignment of mica from the Big Bend country in which these men, I hope, will in future operate with success. While in Golden I was pleased to note the very commendable interest taken by your towns people in the inauguration of this new industry, which, in time, is sure to bring your town increased trade. I say in time because you must understant that mica mining is still considered in some light as a new departure from ordinary mining, especially in this country.

It seems, however, through ignorance of the real commercial value of that mineral, that there has been, as it were, an inborn prejudice in the mind of the average man against mica as a valuable mineral asset, and it is only within the past few years that this erronious idea has received a check, and the public generally beginning to realize the actual commercial value of that class of mineral.

I have devoted ten consecutive years to this line of mining, and in efforts to educate the public in the value of this mineral, during the summer by actual investigations and development operations, and with my pen during the winter months; with what results, those who have been closely associated with me are best able to tell The gratifying sequel is, however, that mica property today in our midst is not considered the unprofitable pursuit it was held to be ten years ago, nay, five years ago. I have stood the blunt in the face of untold difficulties, discouragement and drawbacks to accomplish what I have accomplished in gaining a footing in the world's market for the British Columbia mica, which succeeded in capturing the Silver Medal at the the Paris Exhibition of 1899. My estimation of the value of a good mica mine can be gleaned from the fact that when I succeeded in interesting eastern capitalists, who are now the owners. in the sale, I retained a good solid fighting interest, and they have up to the present retained my services as manager.

My experience in mica mining, having had to operate it on a small scale in the beginning, has shown that a mica claim is a poor man's mine in a fuller sense than even the placer gold diggings. By actual computation it will be found to cost less to get to work in a mica mine than one could in a placer diggings, if sluices are to be used. As compared with other rock mining, after the mineral has been mined, it is turned into a commercial commodity with less cost than any other rock mineral, the miners themseves performing the concentrating, smelting and refining work before it leaves the mines, thus constituting the poor man's mine, as they themselves can perform all the work necessary to place it in its pure state on the market. As for value, I think most any miner would consider that he had good property if he was working a proposition from which the smelter returns yielded him $1.000. Now all that mica is required to be worth per pound to yield that amount is 50 cents. Sixty per cent of dressed mica, from the average output of a mica mine that is worth handling, would average $1 per pound, which would be $2.000 per ton. The other 40 per cent would likely run from $1.50 to as high as $10 per pound, that is from $3,000 to $20,000 per ton. When it is thoroughly realized that the miners themselves can perform all the work necessary for the conversion of this mineral into a commercial commodity, my contention of it being a poor man's mine will be more readily understood. Again, there are few mining ventures that offer better wages to operating owners than a mica mine, as a careful study of the figures quoted will show.

But it must not be inferred from what I have said that any kind of mica would be good property. In order for mica to be considered good property the mineral must possess certain qualities. In the last ten years I have examined and reported on at least twenty mica discoveries in different parts of the province, not one of which was I able to give a favorable report on. Of course, I did not examine the locality from which the mica I saw in Golden was secured, therefore I cannot speak of its occurrence, but the mica itself I have no hesitation in pronouncing of good quality. It is not as white, hence not as transparent, as the Tete Jaune Cache mica, which is the best on the market to day, but the mica from the Big Bend has all the other qualities of the Tete Jaune Cache mica, tough and flexible.

I judge from the quantity brought out, and the time devoted in securing the cargo, that there must be a strong lead of mica bearing quartz from which the lot I saw came. It must also be borne in mind that unless the mica vein is capable of producing the mineral in large quantities and of large sizes it cannot be handled profitably. I was satisfied with the quantity of your Big Bend mica and the indications which point to the yielding of large size sheets.

The operation of those mines cannot help but add importance to your town as a supply centre, as well as prove remunerative to the operators.

JOHN F. SMITH.

Kamloops, B.C., Dec. 4, 1901.

RETRIBUTION.

A man who was too economical to subscribe for his home paper sent his little boy to borrow the copy taken by his neighbor. In his haste the boy ran over a stand of bees and in ten minutes looked like a warty summer squash. His cries reached his father, who ran to his assistance, and failing to notice a barbed wire fence, ran into that, breaking it down, cutting handful of flesh from his anatomy, and ruining a pair of $4 pants. The old cow took advantage of the gap in the fence and got into the cornfields and killed herself eating green corn. Hearing the racket, the wife ran, upset a four-gallon churn full of rich cream into a basket of kittens drowning the whole lot. In the hurry she dropped a $10 set of false teeth. The baby, left alone, crawled through the spilt cream onto the parlor carpet. The daughter took advantage of the excitement to elope with the hired man; the dog broke up eleven sitting hens and the calves got out and chewed the tails of four fine shirts.

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REV. IRL R. HICKS IS NOT DEAD.

Notwithstanding a widely current rumor that the Rev. Irl R. Hicks was dead, he never was in better health, and never did a harder and more successful year's work than that just closing. He has just completed his large and splendid Almanac for 1902, and with his staff of able helpers, has brought his journal, Word and Works, justly forward into international reputation. For a quarter of a century Mr. Hicks has grown in reputation and usefulness as the people's astronomer, and forecaster of storms and the character of coming seasons. Never was his weather forecasts so sought after as now, his timely warning of a serious drouth this year having saved the people from loss and suffering. Millions of bushels of wheat were harvested through his advice to plant crops that would mature early. The American people will certainly stand by Prof. Hicks, when it costs them so little and the benefits are so great. His fine Almanac of 200 pages 25c, and his splendid family journal is only $1 a year including the Almanac. Send to Word and Works Pub. Co., 2201 Locust street, St. Louis. Mo

THE PRINCE AND COLONIES.

Statesmanlike Speech at the Guildhall Banquet by the Prince of Wales.

London, Dec. 6—The visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to the city yesterday evoked demonstrations of loyalty worthy of the best traditions of the capital of the British Empire. It was the first royal visit to the city since the accession of the King, and the citizens rose to the height of such an unique occasion. The feature of the occasion was the speech of the Prince of Wales in the Guildhall in response to the teast of his health. The statesmanlike tones of his remarks astonished the assembled guests. He spoke in warm tones of the loyalty, affection and enthusiasm which invariably characterized the welcome extended to the Princess and himself throughout their 45,000 miles' tour. He referred to the journey across Canada, which enabled them to see something of the matchless scenery of that vast territory, the richness of its soil and its boundless prosperity. They saw, too, the successes which crowned the efforts which have been made to weld into one community the people of two great races residing there. If he were asked to specify any particular impression derived from the tour, he would unhesitatingly place before all others that of the loyalty to the Crown and attachment to the Old Country, and were he to seek for the causes which had created and fostered that spirit he would attribute them in a large degree to the life and example of Queen Victoria. After expressing his appreciation of the military services rendered to the Empire by the colonies, the Prince pointed out that if Great Britain wished to hold her own against foreigners in the commerce world, she must take advantage of the mineral wealth and vast expanse of virgin soil in the colonies, and send the surplus population of her cities to live there under healthy conditions, liberal laws and free institutions.

AN OLD LADY'S TALE.

Remarkable Results From Dr. Clarke's Wonderful Little Red Pills.

To the Editor of the Era:

Sir,—I was troubled with rheumatism for about eight years, and tried a great number of different kinds of medicines without getting relief. Last spring I became worse and I could hardly walk. It was then that I tried Dr. Clarke's Wonderful Little Red Pills, and two boxes cured me completely. I have had no rheumatism since taking this. I am 82 years of age, and can walk now quite smartly, thanks to this remedy wonder.—Mrs. Paul McDonald, Eden Lake, Picton Co., N.S.

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NOTICE.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF KOOTENAY, holden at Golden, B.C., between Carlin & Wyckoff, Merchants, of Field, B.C., Plaintiffs,

and

Napoleon Wells, railway employee, of Field, B.C., Defendant.

To Napoleon Wells, the above named defendant:

TAKE NOTICE that a Default Summons and Plaint has been issued out of this Court against you in an action entered against you by Carlin & Wyckoff, of Field, B.C., Merchants, to recover the sum of $51.00 being for goods sold and delivered by the above named plaintiffs to you the said defendant, and that in pursuance of an order of His Honor Judge Forin, you are required within thirty days from the first publication of this notice in the GOLDEN ERA newspaper, to file your dispute, if any, with the Registrar of this Court at Golden, otherwise judgment may be entered against you.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1901.

F. C. LANG,
Registrar of the County Court.

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