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IN THE SIMILKMAEEN

W. D. McKinnon Returns From Princeton.

THE GOLD DROP ON DRY CREEK

Rich Strike on the Rambler---Ledge on the R. Bell---The Magnetite.

W. D McKinnon has just returned from the Similkameen district and reports properties in that section of the country looking very well. He visited the Copper mountain district where is located the Sunset mine, also the Lost Horse owned by R. L. Brown and Robert Stevenson respectively. The Sunset is a wonder, being now down 200 feet, all in solid ore; also a crosscut from the 150-foot level which is in about 65 feet in splendid ore. The Lost Horse, which is about one-half mile from the Sunset, has one of the best showings seen in that country, the ledge measuring between walls 80 feet, on which they are driving a tunnel which will tap the ledge at about 80 feet in depth. There is also a shaft which is sunk on the edge of the lead which is down 80 feet. out of which they have taken some splendid copper and gold-bearing ores. Mr. Stevenson has two shifts working steadily, and with his knowledge of mining is sure to make the Lost Horse one of the great mines of British Columbia.

There are also a lot of other very promising looking properties on the mountain on which the owners are doing assessment work. Canada mountain, which is just across the Similkameen river, has got some splendid showings, also Roach river, Granite and Boulder creeks. The need of a wagon road from Keremeos to Princeton is the one drawback to the development of the Similkameen valley.

The people of the Boundary should urge the government to speedily build one, as the cost would be small and then Boundary merchants would be able to supply many of the articles needed in the development of the country.

Mr. McKinnon met a number of Rossland and Boundary people during his trip who are all enthusiastic of their new home. Among the many who are doing well is James Anderson of the Star, who is doing everything possible to bring his district before the public. Mr. McKinnon intends returning soon.

MINING BRIEFS.

Thomas Murray came in this week from Beaver creek. He has been doing assessment work on his properties there for the past two months. On the Gold Drop, a claim on Dry creek, about three-quarters of a mile from the Washington and Idaho, he has now an open cut 20 feet long by 10 feet in depth. There is a four-foot ledge of quartz, carrying gray copper, and in this there is a very rich stringer about a foot in width of galena, running between $80 and $90 in silver and gold. He and P. J. Kennedy have also been working on the Grand Prize, a large iron capping, which they have stripped for a space 100 feet square, and run a crosscut tunnel 15 feet. The Grand Prize is on Beaver creek, about three miles from Beaverton, and is one of the largest surface showings in the Boundary country, but will require money to show it up. There is a good tunnel site on the property.

Superintendent Davis of the Rambler group in Summit camp was in the city Wednesday and reports having gone through a 4-foot stringer of rich ore in the crosscut from the 112-foot level. The crosscut is being run to tap the main ledge, and it was not expected that an ore body would be encountered for sixty feet, but this lead was run into at a distance of 15 feet from the shaft.

J. P. Harlan has lately been developing the Magnetite in South Deadwood. The work done consists of 500 feet of surface crosscutting and a 15-foot shaft. The ore is copper and iron pyrites in a blue diorite, and gives good copper-gold values. The ledge is about fifty feet in width. The Magnetite is near the Buckhorn mine

Forbes M, Kerby, C. E., returned from the West Fork Tuesday last, where he had been surveying the Bell group and other mineral claims. Mr. Kerby thinks the West Fork will rank among the great mineral producing camps of British Columbia. He reports activity in development work all over that district.

Martin Griffin returned from a prospecting trip between Boundary creek and the North Fork on Monday last. He is not at present prepared to say anything in reference to the mineral deposits in that part of the district.

On Thursday last the ore body on the R. Bell in Summit camp was struck in the crosscut run at the 80-foot level. The crosscut is in 35 feet. The lead is about five feet wide of very rich copper bearing ore.

H. B. Munroe has on exhibition a couple of fine specimens of ore from the 200-foot level in the Sunset mine. One of the specimens caries free gold and will assay up in the hundreds.

W. S. Keith, M. E., left on Monday for Canyon City, where he will spend a month developing his mining properties on the Main river.

LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

Wall Paper, H. C. Holden.

Duncan McIntosh left for Spokane Wednesday.

G. A. Rendell of Eholt was in the city Wednesday.

J. C. Dale and James Kerr left today for the West Fork.

I. H. Hallett returned Thursday from a business trip to Spokane.

E. Jacobs advertises as an accountant and auditor in this issue.

Charles Tisdall, ex-M. P. P. for Vancouver, registered at the Imperial this week.

J. P, McLeod and C. Scott Galloway returned from a trip to the West Fork this week.

J. W. McBride of the Bolster Townsite company, spent several days in the city this week.

Alex. McLeod left for the West Fork on Friday last to develop his properties in that district.

A. Thomas came down from Canyon City on Saturday last, and reports business brisk on the main river.

H. C. Holden, the wall paper man and painter, left Wednesday for Westbridge on a fishing trip. He will be back Sunday.

Rev. J. R. Robertson of Grand Forks is expected to conduct the services in Miller's hall on Sunday, morning and evening.

W. L. Hogg of Montreal, one of the largest stockholders in the Sunset group in Deadwood camp, arrived in the city this week.

G. D. Hodge, superintendent of the Vernon & Nelson Telephone Company, arrived in the city Tuesday and is registered at the Imperial.

R. M. McEntire and family, accompanied by a number of friends, left on Thursday for a few days camping and fishing on the West Fork.

J. J. Caulfield left for Bolster this morning. After looking over his interests there he will visit the West Fork and Canyon Creek districts.

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Miss M. McDowell of Owen Sound, Ont., who has been visiting friends in this city, left this week for Columbia, where she will take charge of the public school.

C. L. Lightfoot, Vancouver; R. W. Biggar, Hamilton; S. H. Hart, Windsor; John Love, Winnipeg, and Thos. Gray, Nelson, B. C., all knights of the grip, were registered at the Hotel Imperial this week.

George F. Miller, of Miller Bros., left the past week for Boston, New York and other eastern cities. He does not expect to be back before the latter part of November. While east he will take a course with an optician.

President Thurston of the Carmi came in from Victoria on Thursday. He says that there will be no difficulty in getting an appropriation for a wagon road from Westbridge up the West Fork.

Sam Bond came in from Beaverton Thursday evening. Mr. Bond and his partner, George Barrett, have orders for whip-sawing 100,000 feet of lumber for Beaverton, Rendell and Carmi. They receive $50 per thousand for the lumber.

The fire brigade has a practice run every Friday evening. Since A. D. Hallett has taken the position as acting chief, the brigade appears to be getting back its old energy, and the boys take a pride in the department. The whole force turned out at last practice.

About a dozen members of Phoenix lodge, K. of P., visited Greenwood lodge on Wednesday night and exemplified the work in the second degree, when eleven candidates were advanced. A banquet was served at 12 o'clock, after which the officers of Greenwood lodge took charge of the work in the third degree and advanced three candidates.

D. A. Mackenzie, one of the most active and most popular members of the fire department left Monday to visit his old home in Huron county, Ont. He will be away about six weeks. It is said that he took the necessary stationery with him, but will have to depend on the variety of parson grown in the "mush" belt for the most important part of the ceremony.

An enjoyable party was given Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. A. Fisher to a number oi young people in honor of Miss Blue of Rossland and the Misses Fisher. The house was tastefully decorated with flowers and Japanese lanterns. The evening was spent in dancing and a delightful musical programme was rendered. At 11 o'clock dainty refreshments were served at small tables on the porch.

In the Similkameen.

Powals, Bonivere and Lang have splendid results to show for the development work done on their Roche river properties. On the Red Star claim they have three feet of ore averaging $53 to the ton. An open cut has been run on the ledge with a 25-foot face, and the boys are now running a tunnel which will explore the ore body. The Anaconda, Gold Crown ond Big Horn locacations are also promising well. A 45-foot tunnel has been driven on the Gold Crown. Samples from this property assay as high as $280 in gold and copper.

The Kennedy claims are developing splendidly. Hugh Kennedy made a sample shipment of a few sacks of ore over the Hope trail about two weeks ago. A number of prospectors are in the district and new discoveries may be expected shortly.

On the Aspin Grove the Bate Boys have over a ton of solid native copper ready for shipment. The copper is found in lumps from an ounce to a pound in weight, and is found in a black soil which covers the surface of the Nugget claim.

Several new locations in the vicinity of the Big Sioux and Cincinnati groups are showing wonderful development. The country is covered with surface wash for a depth of two or three feet, making it necessary for the prospector to examine the ground very carefully for mineral croppings.

Copper mountain properties are showing great improvement with the past week's work. The Sunset crosscut is now in about 70 feet from the shaft and is still producing high grade ore.

The Lost Horse tunnel is cutting the formation close to the ledge. Two shifts are at work and early next week expect to reach the ore at a depth of 75 feet. Arrangements are now being made to carry on development on a much larger scale. A small compressor and hoist will be purchased, as the mine can only be developed by shafts.

President Stevenson has just returned from his Jubilee claim on which he has started development work. He brings some fine specimens of ore, showing rich peacock and yellow copper. The Jubilee is located about two miles south of the Sunset and is practically a continuation of the same deposit.—Similkameen Star.

Board of Trade.

The council of the Greenwood board of trade met Wednesday evening. The annual report was adopted, and Messrs. C. Scott Galloway and Duncan Ross were appointed delegates to the meeting of the associated boards of trade of Yale and Kootenay to be held at Nelson. The annual report of the board has already been published in several papers of the district.

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AFTER THE CHINESE

Public Meeting on Friday Night.

MILLER'S HALL WAS PACKED

A Unanimous Vote Passed to Discontinue to Patronize the Chinese.

Miller's hall was crowded on Friday evening in answer to the request of the Boundary Trades Council for an expression of opinion on the Chinese question.

At 8:30 o'clock W. J. Kirkwood of the Carpenters' union took the chair, and T. B. Winnett acted as secretrry. The chairman explained the objects for which the meeting was called. He stated that the question had been discussed in the trades council and it had been decided to hold a public meeting in order that the matter could be fully discussed before decisive steps were taken. He pointed out the evils that would result if the Chinese continued to come in as fast as they had in the past three weeks.

On Thursday evening no less than thirty had arrived by train from Rossland and Nelson. He hoped that all would join with the trades council in their endeavors to discourage the Chinese.

C. J. McArthur was the first speaker called upon. He stated that he was willing to aid in every legal movement to keep the Chinese out of the city. He hoped that the movement would be so conducted that recourse could not be had to the law by the Celestials. He pointed out that in every line the people could be supplied by whites, and there was no necessity for patronizing Chinese. He was interested—financially in the Chinese—but in his case he received money from them, not they from him. However, he would do his utmost to aid the movement.

Mayor Hardy was the next speaker. He also cautioned those interested to keep within the law as British justice in British Columbia was peculiar in many respects, and where Chinese interests were concerned, the party now in power in the province would see that the workingmen did not get any of the best of it. British Columbia law, as interpreted by its judges, had always been dangerous for the workingman to go against, and he advised the promoters of the movement to be very careful. He suggested that the boycott be used in a quiet way, supporting those who did not employ Chinese, and turning the cold shoulder to those who employed them.

Duncan Ross said that he had heard the Chinese question discussed for the last twelve years in the province, but it appeared as serious today as it was twelve years ago. There was always those who would talk strongly enough against Chinese, but were weak in carrying out any practical scheme for their discouragement. He suggested that the city council avail itself of the power granted by the Municipal Clauses Act, to regulate laundries and could thereby close all the Chinese laundries in the city. He also advised those present to go home with the determination to no longer patronize Chinese.

Mayor Hardy took exception to Mr. Ross' statements in reference to the council, claiming that he and not the council was the subject of remarks by Mr. Ross.

Alderman Bannerman, the next speaker, did not come to the meeting with the intention of making a speech, but to listen and help in every possible way to discourage an increase of the Chinese population in Greenwood. He was opposed to Asiatic cheap labor, and would do all in his power to help the trades council in their efforts. He also advised caution in dealing with the Chinese and hoped that only a lawful course would be pursued by those interested in the movement.

J. W. Grier said that the Hardy and anti-Hardy difficulties always crept into public discussions in Greenwood. As a laboringman he was not going to worry himself about the Chinese question, he dfd that for fifteen years and was getting tired of it. The people who were the most interested were the business men, and until they joined with the workingmen in the movement it was useless attempting to do anything.

H. B. Madden was with them if they were going to make a clean sweep, but if their object was simply to attack a few who were employing Chinese because they couldn't get other help, he was opposed to the movement. He described the difficulties of getting good white help in the kitchen; that in the hotel business patrons demanded prompt and efficient service. This could not be given under present conditions if dishwashing and laundry work was not done by Chinese.

Mr. James stated that he had a 19-year-old son who tried every hotel in town to get a position as dishwasher, but all positions were filled by Chinese. He thought if the hotels were anxious to get white labor they would have no difficulty in doing so. There were dozens of white men in the city who would be only too glad to get such situations.

[By a standing vote those present pledged themselves not to patronize Chinese. The meeting then adjourned.

A Trip to Copper Mountain.

Superintendent Lougheed of the Sunset and President Stevenson of the Lost Horse took charge of a large excursion to Copper mountain last Sunday. The party included a number of prominent cftizens who were paying their first visit to these mines, aud acting as convoy to a distinguished visitor from Greenwood. The Sunset, Lost Horse, Helen Gardner, Princess May and Olympia mines were carefully examined and numerous expressions of surprise were heard on all sides about the wonderful showings of mineral which were found in the workings. "All Copper mountain needs is a smelter," was the unanimous verdict.

The return trip was delayed by the stranger from Greenwood, who (although he claims to be accustomed to visit the large mineral deposits in the Boundary country) started out to trace the width of the Sunset ledge. After three houre' absence from the camp, a feeling of uneasiness crept into the minds of his friends, and a searching party started out to hunt for the missine man. It was a fruitless search; but shortly after returning to camp a breathless messenger from the Lost Horse mine rushed in with the news that Mr. McK——had been found in a dazed condition at the mouth of the Lost Horse tunnel, muttering "no wall in sight yet." On recovering, he stated that Copper mountain well deserved its name, for it certainly was a mouutain of ore. The homeward journey was completed without further incident with the exception of some unkind remarks made by "George," who suggested that the name "Lost Horse" ought to be changed to lost—something else. But George was sore! in fact is sore yet.—Similkameen Star.

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City Council.

At the regular meeting of the city council held Monday night there was present the mayor and Alderman Bannerman, Cropley and Sutherland.

After the reading and adoption of the minutes of the previous meeting, a letter was read from E, V. Bodwell, Q. C. of Victoria, stating that he had not had time to look into the matter referred to him by the council, but would give it his immediate attention.

It was decided to attend to the repairs of the waterworks at once.

The following accounts were presented and passed:

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W. T. Tilsey	4 00
D. Hardy	64 15
B. C. Gazette	9 00
T. M. Gulley & Co	25 00
B. L. Wood	120 00
Cameron & Palmer	36 20
W. J. Whartman	30 50
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Caulfield & Lamont	43 50
C. F. Alston	188 00
A. H. Sperry & Co	17 60
Rendell & Co	18 00
Dr. Schon	15 00
Greenwood Electric Co	105 00
Greenwood Hospital	36 00
F. W. Groves	90 00
Mrs. Larkin	17 40
Greenwood Miner Co	4 10
Atwood & Thompson	52 50
Boyd, Burns & Co	51 78
T. B. Winnett	126 50
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FRIDAY, JULY 27, 1900.

THERE appears to be a misconception by many of the residents of the city in reference to the present agitation against the Chinese. From the tone of some of the speeches on Friday evening it appears the impression had gone abroad that the Chinese were to be harded together and driven out of the city by a mob. No such suggestion was ever made by a member of the Boundary Trades council. The question was discussed by that body from an economic standpoint, and it was deemed advisable to call a public meeting in order to get an expression of opinion from the business men of Greenwood and others not associated with any union organization. It was thought that as the business men were as deeply interested, if not more so than the workingmen, in a financial way, it would be advisable to have them join with the Trades council in a united effort to discourage in every legal way the Chinese. While the trades unionists of the province have taken the initiative in every movement against Asiatic cheap labor, the agitation has not been wholly on account of competition in the labor market, but partly because of the small percentage of their earnings being spent in the country. Take for example the unions sending delegates to the Boundary Trades council—the miners, carpenters, plumbers, printers, barbers, clerks and tailors: The Chinese do not enter into competition directly with the members of any of these bodies. From this it will be seen that it was not personal or selfish motives that induced the members of the Trades council, but because of the injury to business men, the competition with white market gardeners, with white laundries, with cooks and white kitchen help, and with white women, who are so circumstanced as to be compelled to earn their living as servants in private houses. It must be admitted by every close observer who has lived in the cities of the west for any length of time that Chinese competition in the latter case has been injurious and often disastrous in its results.

THE business man is the one who suffers most from the employment of Chinese. About five per cent. of the earnings of Chinese is spent with white business houses. The balance is either sent to China or expended in purchasing supplies from Chinese merchants. In either case it does not benefit the community in which it is earned. Where white labor is employed, the greater portion of the earnings is spent with local business men. The profits of the business houses are usually spent in improvements, and thus the whole community is either directly or indirectly benefitted by the employment of white labor.

THERE is a class of white citizens who are little better than the Chinese in patriotism or their endeavors to add to the prosperity of the community in which they reside. These persons send their cash to department stores in the large cities and give their credit patronage to the local business men. T. Eaton & Co. of Toronto annually receive as much money from the Boundary as is earned by the Chinese residents of the district. The Timothy Eaton patron is just as injurious to the community as the other Chinaman. Each earns his money in the district and sends it out of circulation. The only difference is that the Timothy Eaton Chinaman can stand on the street corner and blackguard his Hong Kong brother without the other fellow being able to get back at him.

THIS week several hotels discharged Chines help. Others will do likewise. The workingmen of the city will shortly ask the business men to co-operate with them by replacing their Chinese help with white labor. After an arrangement has been arrived at as to date of change, workingmen cannot be expected to patronize business houses employing Chines. As regards the Timothy Eaton Chinese, it is impossible to do anything with them. They are a shoddy product of cheap eastern communities.

IT IS generally believed that the Dominion elections will be held either in October or November of this year. Fully one-third of those qualified neglected to register for the provincial elections. Those wishing to have a vote at the Dominion election should register at once. J. R. Brown, secretary of the Liberal association will furnish blanks to any wishing to register. Mr. Brown's offices are in the Naden-Flood block. Those who do not care to register through a Grit source can take the Tory route by calling upon James Kerr, in the same building. Don't forget to register,

SUGGESTIONS are always in order, and the Miner would suggest that it is abont time the feud, started by the Hardy-Smailes contest for mayor, should cease. The public are really tired of it. If it continues much longer the swampers and anti-swampers will have to combine in order to be numerous enough to make a respectable faction. That contest is ancient history, and the city requires harmony among its business men at the present time more than at any previous period.

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Signed W. S. KEITH.
F. F. KETCHUM.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the first meeting of the license commissioners for the City of Greenwood, held after thirty days from the date hereof, I will apply for a transfer from me to W. W. Howe of the hotel license held by me for the Commercial hotel, Copper street, in the City of Greenwood.

Dated this 17th day of July, 1900.
29-32. A. BRANSON.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the first meeting of the license commissioners for the City of Greenwood, held after thirty days from the date hereof, we shall apply for a transfer from us to J. W. Nelson, of the hotel license held by us for the Pioneer hotel, Government street, in the City of Greenwood. DEEM & CO.

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M. H. KANE, Secretary.

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On Disallowance.

Following is text of decision of the minister of justice on petition for disallowance by the Mine Owners' association of recent legislation:

To His Excellency the Governor-General in Council: The undersigned has had under consideration copy of a petition signed by the Dominion Copper Company, Limited, and a number of other mining companies, in which the petitioners pray that Chapter 43 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1899, entitled "An act to amend the Master and Servant Act," be disallowed. The undersigned, in his report of 14th last, which was approved by your excellency on 14th of December, referred to this statute as open to some objection, but did not recommend disallowance. At that time the petition now in question had not been received. The petition states in effect that the petitioners have not, since the enactment of the eight-hour law hereinafter referred to, been able to employ laborers to work their mines in British Columbia upon profitable terms; that they made efforts to procure laborers in Eastern Canada, but found it impossible to make contracts with or bring miners into British Columbia from Eastern Canada owing to the provisions of the act in question, which would render their contracts void as against the laborers.

There is a question which the undersigned suggested in the report already referred to, as to whether the legislation complained of does not so far affect the regulation of trade and commerce as to be ultra vires of the legislature. Apart from that question it seems clear to the undersigned that the statute is entirely within Provincial legislative authority, and the remedy for the grievances complained of lies with the legislature.

Any question of ultra vires could be conveniently submitted for the determination of the courts, and the undersigned considers that it it would be better to leave the petitioners to apply to the legislature or to bring the question before the courts, if they be so advised, rather than in a case such as this to invoke the power of disallowance.

There has also been referred to the undersigned a petition addressed to your excellency in council, signed by the War Eagle Consolidated Mining and Development Company, Limited, and a number of other mining companies, praying for the disallowance of chapter 49 of the statutes of British Columbia, 1899, entitled, "An act to amend the Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act."

Section 13 of the Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1897, chapter 134, provided that no boy under the age of sixteen years should be employed underground for more than fifty-four hours in any one week, or more than ten hours in one day,

By section 4 of the act now in question, the said section is repealed and another substituted, by which it is enacted that no person shall be employed underground in any metalliferous mine for more than eight hours in every twenty-four hours, and this is the provision which gives to the claim for disallowance, it being urged that the limitation of employment to eight hours per day is materially interfering with and injuriously affecting the mining business in British Columbia, and that the act is unconstituttonal for a number of reasons stated in the petition.

The undersigned has attentively considered these grounds, but he is of opinion that none of the reasons urged affect the validity of the act It is quite true that there are several decisions of the state or United States courts holding similar unconstitutional, but these decisions have proceeded upon reasons which do not apply at all to the constitutional system of Canada. The undersigned considered that it was competent for the Provincial Legislature to limit the number of work to be allowed in mines within the Province, as a matter of property and civil rights, or of merely local or private nature, or as coming within some one of the other enumerations of provincial authority.

As in the case, therefore, of the act previously referred to, the remedy is also in the hands of the Provincial authorities, and the petitioners must, in the opinion of the undersigned, be left to their application before that body.

The undersigned therefore recommends that neither of these acts be disallowed; that a copy of this report, if approaed, be transmitted to the lieutenant-governor of the province for the information of his government, and to the solicitors of the petitioners for their information. Respectfully submitted,

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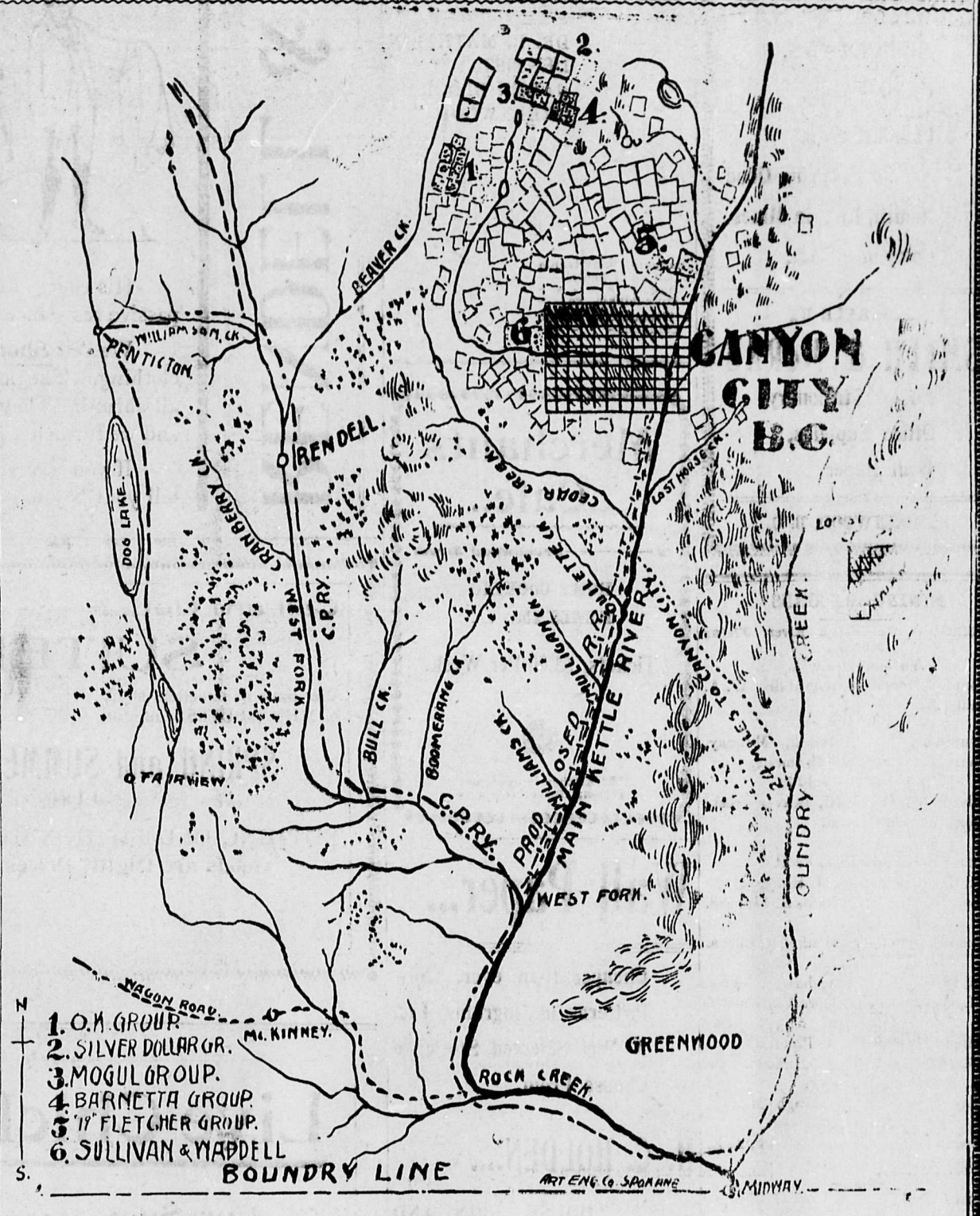

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