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NAKUSP-SLOCAN RAILWAY.

Policy of its Builders Substantially Vindicated.

The Nelson Tribune of Nov. 23rd contained an article which was in many respects misleading. The motive of, as well as the animus displayed by the paper in question says the Vancouver World, can easily be divined, but it is difficult to understand how it publishes as a statement of truth what is the very reverse. If the writer drew upon his imagination then it must be extremely fertile; if upon information supplied by disappointed contractors or other soreheads, then the stuffing process was freely indulged in.

The Government in the first place is not building the road. All that it is doing is to carry out the views of the Legislature, which were to the effect that the Province would, on conditions specified in the act, guarantee the interest on the debentures or bonds of the line, at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum up to, but not to exceed, the sum of $25,000 per mile, which was to construct, equip and maintain the road for the term of 25 years. The Dominion Government, prior to the passage of the act in Victoria, had agreed to extend the subsidy of $3,200 per mile, to the Nakusp & Slocan railway, and before a solitary cent is paid over, the road, as regards curves, alignments and general construction, must comply with the terms and conditions of the Dominion Railway Act

The Provincial Government having guaranteed the bonds as already stated, and in order to protect the public interests in the matter, has for a time, so we understand, been assigned all and every interest which the Nakusp & Slocan Railway Company may have in the Federal subsidy, which will be surrendered when the line is completed. This is the only financing the Government is doing for the undertaking, which is to be of such immense importance not only to Kootenay, but to the whole province. The Nakusp & Slocan road is being built upon generally the same lines as was the Shuswap & Okanagan, and leased to the Canadian Pacific Railway for a term of years upon conditions identically the same.

The Tribune's greatest mistake, however, is in the paragraph relating to the cost of construction. It will be observed that the limit of the Government's guarantee was not to exceed $25,000 per mile. The preliminaries having been arranged for making a start, tenders were advertised for, and many responses made thereto. If we mistake not the lowest tender was accepted. It was that of the Inland Development & Construction Co., for which D. McGillivray is manager, and under whose superintendence the work is now being prosecuted. The price will not approach that named by our contemporary, $23,000 per mile, by at least $6,000, at least so we are informed by parties who are in a position to speak whereof they know.

The length of the line is placed at 38 miles, and the total cost is estimated at $850,000, not $900,000 as stated by the Tribune. It likewise makes a great ado over the prices paid the sub-contractors for the work they are doing. These are matters with which the public have nothing to do. The lowest tenderer in the first instance was awarded the job, and deposited securities that the work would be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the company's engineers and by the time specified. Whatever arrangements he made with the sub-contractors is a matter remaining with themselves.

One thing is certain, that upon the work the manager for the construction company expects to earn a fair dividend This, we think, the Tribune will agree is in no way wrong nor in any degree selfish. It is exactly upon the principle which the proprietors of that paper manage their own business. The base insinuation that at least 20 per cent. was to be cleared on the job and divided amongst a certain ring is cowardly. Had the Tribune taken the trouble to ascertain the facts in connection with the matter it would have written in an entirely different strain.

Everything in connection with the undertaking will be laid before the Legislature, and it then will be found that to the slightest details nothing was done other than above board and in a conscientious manner.

Capital Looking This Way.

W. B. Will, of New Denver, was in Spokane last week on his way home from a six weeks' visit to Chicago and neighboring towns. "The Slocan country is attracting a great deal of attention and is regarded favorably by investors," said Mr. Will. "Those who already have investments there appear to be well satisfied with them and we may expect a large amount of new capital to come in as soon as money becomes a little easier in the east."

F. Jordan, of Fire Valley, is spending the holidays in town.

Bonner's Ferry Sleigh Road.

James Eckert was in Bonner's Ferry last week to secure men to work on opening up a sleigh road from Bonner's Ferry to Kootenay Lake to connect the Great Northern Railway with the steamers on the lake. The road will run on the north side of the river instead of on the south as last winter. This will shorten the distance several miles. They will have the road in operation by the latter part of next week, and there will be a big traffic over it during the winter. The ranchers are building it.

Closing Their Offices.

E. J. Millard, Vancouver, route agent of the Dominion Express Co., arrived down on Sunday's boat on a tour of inspection of the various offices of the company in the district. Owing to the great risks run in shipping goods by the Revelstoke route during the winter, and by reason of the many complaints sent into headquarters of the damaged condition of the goods recently received, it has been decided to close down all the offices excepting that of Nelson. The local affair was shut up on Monday, much to the disgust of the genial agent, F. Ribbach, and the public generally. Express matter will still be accepted at Nelson, to be forwarded by the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway.

There has been quite a clearing out of the boys during the week, many familiar faces having disappeared.

A. Edwards is seriously ill of pneumonia at the Madden House. He was brought in from Slocan lake on Tuesday.

H. McKay of the Half Way House was in town on Tuesday. He reports business flourishing. His house has been further improved by having a new floor put in.

Telegraph communication to Revelstoke was resumed on Tuesday. The wire is still down between here and New Denver, from which place messages may be sent to Kaslo and Nelson.

T. Abriel, real estate dealer, left here yesterday for a week's business trip to New Denver. On returning he intends packing his valuables preparatory to making an exit to the outside for the winter.

The meeting advertised to take place in the schoolhouse on Sabbath last to organize a Sunday school did not materialize. Nakusp stands badly in need of an institution of this nature and some effort should be put forth at once to get it established.

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The town already contains Six Hotels, Several Dwelling Houses, Stores, Sawmill, with a capacity of 30,000 feet per diem, a substantial Wharf, Warehouses, Blacksmith Shop and many other buildings.

Big Body of Ore in Sight.

John D. Bowerman, one of the men employed driving the middle tunnel on the Idaho, states that the tunnel is now in 165 feet and 16 inches of solid ore is in sight, with indications that a big body is close at hand. A large amount of galena is now on the dump and some shipments will probably be made this winter. Seven men are employed at the mine.

Mining the Dry Ores.

The Slocan dry or belt just north of Bear lake, promises to be an interesting section next year. Phil Brinley, of Kaslo, who has been developing the Corbett claim all summer predicts a bright future for that section.

In conversation he stated that not much work would be done there this winter, as few of the owners have cabins built and supplies in store for cold weather. Besides this many of the mine-owners are poor men, who have little money for development. Some of them are shipping a few tons of ore to get a grub stake and in that way can continue work through the winter. Next spring, unless silver prices fall, a large amount of development work will be begun.

The building of railroads into the country will benefit the miners immensely, by reducing the cost of shipping the ore. There will be two roads into the country at least, one providing an outlet to the west through the bustling little city of Nakusp, and the other Kaslo to the east.

N. & F. S. Outfit.

Two new engines for the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway arrived in Spokane a week ago from the Baldwin Locomotive Works at Philadelphia; also a new rotary snow plow from the Cook Locomotive Works at Paterson, N. J. One of the engines is a standard engine for passenger service and the other a ten-wheeler. During the winter two trains a week will be run between Northport and Nelson.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1893.

AMERICAN TARIFF.

Should the new tariff bill pass the American Congress, as it undoubtedly will, with but few amendments, the effect upon the coal and silver mining industries of British Columbia will be very marked indeed, and we have no doubt that a new era of progress and prosperity will be inaugurated. The removal of the duty on coal will secure to the Nanaimo product the San Francisco market—its chief dependence—despite the efforts that may be put forth by other competitors. More men will, of necessity, be employed in the Vancouver Island collieries, and business generally will improve to a marked extent.

But it is our own immediate neighborhood that the proposed tariff changes will benefit chiefly. Under the present tariff a duty of 1½ cents a pound is imposed upon all lead ores entering the United States, no distinction being made between the latter and silver ores. Under the proposed changes lead ore will be taxed 15 per cent. of its market value, while all ores in which silver predominates will be admitted free.

This is a great concession and will result in untold good to the Slocan district, the ores of which are so highly impregnated with the white metal. At present the shippers have to pay a duty of almost $30 per ton on their ores, but the new order of things will save to them that figure, which will tend very materially to increase the net profits.

Mine owners will feel encouraged now to open up and improve their properties, scores of more men will be employed, fresh capital will be induced to seek investment in our country, while business will receive an impetus calculated to gladden the hearts of one and all. With the markets of the neighboring republic so freely opened to us, and favorable legislation on the silver question, we believe the Slocan mining camp will quickly distance all competitors, and take the lead as the greatest and richest ore producer extant.

The United States now ranks seventh in the order of naval powers of the world.

Hard times are prevailing in Spokane, where, we are informed, there are fully 5,000 men out of employment. The outlook is dark in the extreme.

The bye-elections on Dec. 4th in North Bruce and East Lambton resulted disastrously to Sir Oliver Mowat's Government, both ridings returning oppositionists by 559 and 403 majority respectively.

Sweeping changes, in the interest of the consumer, are promised in the Canadian tariff at the approaching session of the Dominion Parliament, as an offset to the changes likely to be made by the United States.

Captain Fitzstubbs, acting for the Local Government, is receiving and forwarding to the Midwinter Fair at San Francisco all samples of ores sent him from the district. The Mountain Chief and Washington mines will send exhibits weighing 1000 pounds. This is an opportunity our mining men should seize as beneficial results are certain to accrue therefrom,

COMPLIMENTARY SUPPER

Given in Honor of D. McGillivray by Leading Citizens.

Last Thursday night the dining room of the Leland House resounded with mirth and hilarity, the occasion being a complimentary supper given in honor of D. McGillivray, Chief Engineer Osler, of the N. & S. road, and R. L. Casston by a number of the citizens of the town. The room had been tastefully decorated with evergreens for the occasion, while the sight presented by the gaily bedecked table was sufficient in itself to cheer the hearts of all.

Covers were laid for 15 persons, those sitting down to the feast of good things being W. C. Muirhead and J. A. McDonald, end men; D. McDougald, Dr. Williamson, F. Jordan, W. Daly, O. Osler, D. McBeth, F. Ribbach, F. Bourne, J. Struthers, W. Sampson, R. L. Casston, D. McGillivray and THE LEDGE man. The time sped quickly mid the general enjoyment of the many good things provided and in pleasant conversation. Restraint was cast away and each one laid himself out to have a good time and none were disappointed.

After the tables had been cleared, W. C. Muirhead, as chairman, proposed the toast of "Her Majesty the Queen," followed by that of "The Governor-General" both of which were duly honored. J. A. McDonald, vice chairman, then introduced the toast of the evening, "Our Guests," coupled with the names of Messrs. McGillivray and Osler. The company on rising sang heartily "For They are Jolly Good Fellows."

Mr. McGillivray replied in a happy strain, thanking the citizens of the town for the compliments paid him and his fellow guests by the supper provided so bounteously and lavishly.

Messrs. Sampson and Ribbach spoke to this toast also, in a manner calculated to increase the general joviality, but it remained for Mr. Casston to tickle the ears of the local men by the meeds of praise he bestowed upon them for their generosity, and the town itself for such well-appointed hostelries and wide-awake citizens.

Mr. McDonald proposed the toast "Canada, Our Home," the company joining in singing "The Maple Leaf." Mr. Jordan and Dr. Williamson responded briefly.

A pleasing diversion here took place by Mr. Sampson singing that rousing old song "Nil Desperandum."

"The Press," introduced mid great acclaim, was replied to in fitting terms by C. E. Smitheringale.

The last toast honored was "Our Host and Hostess," Mr. McDougald responding on behalf of himself and wife.

Songs followed by Messrs. McDougald, McDonald, Muirhead, Jordan and Smitheringale.

The gathering was brought to a close by a few apt remarks by Mr. Muirhead and the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

The nature of the entertainment was complimentary throughout, the citizens having felt it incumbent upon them to in some way testify to Mr. McGillivray their appreciation of the efforts he had been putting forth during the summer to advance the welfare of the town and district by the building of the Nakusp & Slocan Railway. It was agreed that no more fitting way could be had than by giving a supper and inviting Mr. McGillivray and others, hence the spread in the Leland House on Thursday night.

Regret was expressed at the non-attendance of Messrs. J. T. Nault, McMartin and Mowbray, the former having been ill and the others out of town.

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Heavy Ore Shipments.

Heavy shipments of ore from the Slocan are expected to begin coming into Spokane over the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway next week, as soon as the road is prepared to handle it, and the mine owners say they will continue the shipments with but little interruption throughout the winter. They will show the people of Spokane more high grade galena than they ever dreamed about before.

W. Sampson purposes going to the coast for the holidays.

The first practice of the Glee Club was held at U. S. Thomas' on Tueskay night, and was highly satisfactory in every particular.

Capt. Troupe, commodore of the C. & K. N. Co.'s fleet, was a passenger on the Lytton on Tuesday for Revelstoke, where he went to arrange for a regular schedule for his boat with the railway people during the winter.

Mr. Ermantrout, butcher, with a true spirit of kindness, one night last week put out a lantern to light the belayed pedestrian up the steps on the hill close to his place. Next morning he found himself minus the lamp, it having mysteriously disappeared in the night.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The partnership heretofore existing between Spencer & Wheeler of Nakusp and New Denver has been dissolved by mutual consent.

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CANADA AND SILVER.

Proposition to Redeem Her Small Notes in Bullion.

The following article appeared in a recent issue of the Toronto Empire from the versatile pen of W. Baillie, of Kaslo:—

Dominion notes may be issued under the authority of the Governor-in-Council to an amount not exceeding $20,000,000. Already the amount issued reaches to within a few hundred thousand dollars of the limit prescribed by law, and an order was passed last year authorizing the whole issue of twenty millions. About ten millions of the notes issued are in the denominations of $500 and $1,000, which are used chiefly as security deposits. To provide for the redemption of Dominion notes up to $20,000,000 the Government is required to hold 10 per cent. in gold and 15 per cent in securities, having the guarantee of the Imperial Government, the remaining 75 per cent. to be covered by Dominion debentures. Dominion notes issued in excess of twenty millions will, according to law require to be secured by deposits of gold to the full amount of the excess.

It is apparent that the deposit of bullion in the treasury, to meet the further issue of Dominiou notes to their full value, will shortly require to be begun, and the question as to whether silver might not be made to take the place of gold as a deposit in the Treasury, and thus stimulate the growing industry of silver mining in the Dominion, will no doubt come prominently to the front.

The production of gold and silver in Canada during the past three years is as follows:

Year.	Gold.	Silver.
1890.....	$1,149,776	$420,722
1891.....	925,486	407,183
1892.....	900,483	264,510
Average (an'l)	$925,248	$364,168

It does not seem probable that the production of gold can be greatly increased in Canada, but recent developments in British Columbia show that the field for enterprise in silver mining is practically unlimited.

It is estimated that this year at least 6,000—and possibly 10,000—tons of high grade silver oees will be shipped from the mines of the Slocan district of British Columbia to be treated at the smelters in the United States.

Basing our calculation upon the smaller number of tons, 6,000, and averaging the returns of silver at 126 ounces per ton, we have a total production of 756,000 ounees, which, at the present market value of 75 cents per ounce, represents a gross value of $467,000, all of it coming from a section of country which in past years has cut no figure at all in the mineral statistics of Canada. And the Slocan district is only in the initial stages of its development. No one can even begin to guess at the immense ore reserves in this district.

What means may Canada reasonably adopt to protect her growing silver mining industry, in view of the threatened hostility of the United States? Let Canada protect this industry as she has so many others of her industries, by taking steps so far as possible to provide a home market for silver. A long and very effective step in this direction might be taken by promptly setting about to do what has been suggested above, namely, to allow silver bullion, at its market value in gold, to take the place (in part at least) of gold as a deposit to guarantee all future issues of Dominion notes.

It will doubtless be urged that the market price of silver will be subject to fluctuations, and therefore if the price should permanently decline the deposits of silver bullion in the Treasury would not represent the face value in gold of the Dominion notes issued on account of those deposits. That is quite true; but supposing there should be a decline, to the improbable extent of 10 per cent., the history of the vicissitudes of the currency of all civilized nations, shows that the country being otherwise sound, as Conada fortunately is, there would be no resultant shrinkage in the current value of our notes, nor would anyone be less ready to accept them at their face value in gold. The general credit of the country would abundantly sustain them. There would be no currency in the world better backed up or more stable.

But who is to say that instead of a decrease in the price of silver, there will not be an increase? And in case of an increase the country would be a gainer. The fluctuations in price, however, would keep things about even.

It is not the province of British Columbia alone that would profit greatly by the adoption of the policy here outlined. The whole Dominion would profit immensely. Great smelters would be erected at or near the mines to reduce and refine the crude ores, giving employment to a large wage-earning class. Our ores at present go wholly to the United States, where they are purchased at the smelting centres. If there was an assured home market for our silver, a truly "new" industry would soon be established in Canada, and what the United States now gains by handling our ores would be saved to our own people. This smelting indnstry, in conjunction with brisk operations in the mines, would give employment to thonsands of people. These people would buy their supplies at home, and, of course, the eastern manufacturer and merchant would be to a large extent the profiters thereby.

Times would be brisk and money plentiful in British Columbia. The mine owner, as soon as he had his silver in bullion form, would instantly convert it into money by depositing it in the Treasury. Money thus readily acquired has always a tendency to free circulation, and free circulation promotes enterprise.

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Editor of LEDGE—

SIR.—My work for the Kootenay is now beginning to tell. Letters are coming in from Breckenridge, Morehead, Fergus Falls, and other towns in this state, asking for full particulars as to Nakusp and the district and mines around it. Many people in St. Paul call at my office to get full particulars, and it is a frequent occurrence to go over and over again the news I get from that country through friends.

Two men came in yesterday to know what the openings were for business, and a week ago I sent two men, who were booked for Calgary, right on to the Kootenay.

Money is easing up a little and I look for a large number of people to visit and invest in your country in the early spring. The weather and tight money prevents many who would otherwise go just now, but all seem to think Kootenay is the chance to begin all over again with their small means and make a fortune. "A new field and a new country" is now the call, and that country stands alone and unrivalled—the Kootenay.

THE LEDGE should be supported by every man who has a stake in the Kootenay. I know only too well what a newspaper can do for the building up of a country or city. A small drop of printer's ink properly used can make thousands think. Let each send the paper to their friends at home and they will respond. People are looking for new fields; have them take hold with you in building up your young city.

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Arriving at Revelstoke, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 4 p. m.

The steamer lands at Nakusp north bound on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7 a. m., and south bound on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a. m.

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" " Saturdays 9 a. m. Arriving at Kaslo 1 p. m.

INWARD

Leaves Kaslo Mondays 9 a. m. Arriving at Nelson 1 p. m.
" " Tuesdays 9 a. m. Arriving at Nelson 1 p. m.
" " Thursdays 9 a. m. Arriving at Nelson 1 p. m.
" " Fridays 9 a. m. Arriving at Nelson 1 p. m.
" " Saturdays at 3 p. m. Arriving at Nelson 7 p. m.

Passengers from Kaslo for Spokane and all points south, should take the "Nelson," leaving Kaslo at 9 a. m., on Mondays and Thursdays, making close connections through.

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PETER GENELLE.

Nakusp, Oct. 18th 1893

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Is the only town on Toad Mountain.

For particulars address A. H. KELLY, Nelson, B. C.

LIFE IN NAKUSP.

J. Serson departed for Kamloops on Friday morning to visit his family.

E. Venner has now charge of the books at the Madden House, vice J. Perks.

J. A. McDonald, contractor, went up to Revelstoke for a few days on Saturday's boat.

The Kaslo News Depot, A. T. Crook proprietor, is the headquarters for this journal in that city.

No word has yet been received as to who will be the successor to Postmaster U. S. Thomas.

D. McGillivray is spending a few days at Revelstoke on business, having gone out on Saturday.

La grippe is rampant in Vancouver. Many of the prominent citizens are ill, including not a f w civic authorities.

The Lytton brought down about 30 tons of freight from Revelstoke on Sunday. Most of it was for the construction company.

A butter and sugar famine prevailed in town last week, and it was only partially relieved by the supply received by Sunday's boat.

Alfred Stewart, for some time employed at the Madden House, left town on Saturday morning to spend the winter in California.

J. E. Walsh gives notice that the mail stage for New Denver at 7 a.m. on alternate days, commencing on Dec. 18. The public should bear this in mind.

The steamer W. Hunter will henceforth make but one daily trip each way from New Denver to the head of Slocan lake, leaving the former place at 8 and the latter at 3.

J. Perks and J. Dawson departed in a small boat for the former's ranch down the lake on Sunday morning. They took an exceedingly heavy cargo of supplies with them.

To-morrow afternoon two or three sleighloads of young people will leave town for the Half Way House, where a big ball will be held. They will be met there by several couples from New Denver.

Mr. Mansell, of Trout Lake, arrived in town on Friday on the Lytton, from Kaslo, having gone out by way of Lardo river and Kootenay Lake. He returned by the Revelstoke and Columbia river route.

Friday night a lively dance was held in the dining room of the Columbia House, and it is needless to state that enjoyment reigned supreme. At midnight refreshments were kindly served by Mrs. Corning, after which the company were regaled with several vocal selections by the gallants present.

The Nakusp News Depot is getting in an elegant line of Christmas cards and nicknacks for the holiday trade. Mr. Hammond will make a splendid display for the next few days of fruit and confectionery, which has just been received in fresh and wholesome.

H. Madden has now a well second to none in the country, with an abundance of clear, pure water. The workmen ceased their labors on Saturday at a depth of 81½ feet. First-class cribbing supports the sides for half the distance. Messrs. Scott, Sherritt and Pearson were the engineers in charge.

R. T. Lowery, the proprietor of this journal, buckled on his high-heeled walkemphasts on Monday and departed overland for Kaslo and way points. It is to be hoped the boys along the line will take a kindly interest in the poor, lone traveller, and give him a helping hand with his Saratoga, specially borrowed for the trip.

A notice of assignment in trust, for the benefit of his creditors, is made in the coast papers by J. B. Wilson, merchant, of Kaslo, and recently of this place. George Hodgson is named as trustee. The cause of Mr. Wilson's financial embarrassment is a heavy surplus of goods, but it is expected that in a few weeks he will come out all right.

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