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THE SLOCAN MINES

Ore is being sacked at the Nansen group.

A few men are working at the Province.

A genuine deal is on for the Chapleau.

A lead stack will be built at the zinc plant at Rosebery.

The Payne was located thirteen years ago last Friday.

The Mountain Con shipped two cars to Nelson on Thursday.

The main drift on the east vein of the Ottawa is again in ore.

The lessees of the Edison and Neepawa are working a union stope.

There are six men at the Bismark, and $16,000 worth of ore in sight.

The Reco is shipping three cars of ore, and the mine never looked better.

Considerable work has been done on claims above the Cork and Province.

Prof. Walker is gathering samples in the Slocan for the Toronto university.

Ton Melrose and partners have plenty of ore in sight on the Revenue group.

There are seven men working at the Neepawa, and about 25 at the Enterprise.

In stripping the ledge on the Lou Dillon a foot of clean ore has been exposed.

Last week the Enterprise shipped 20 tons, and the Ottawa the same amount.

The signs indicate that the ore chute in No. 2 tunnel of the Cinderella is close at hand.

A car of ore is ready for shipment at the Rouse on the north fork of Carpenter creek.

A small shipment from the Highland Light on Ten Mile gave smelter returns of 496 ounces in silver.

Only a day shift is working at the Payne, and the force at the mine and mill has been considerably reduced.

The lessees of the Gibson are taking out enough of ore to pay expenses as they proceed with the development.

Prof. Parks examined the Silver Bell last week, and is now looking at some properties in the interest of George Alexander.

Owing to the lack of water the Slocan Star mill can only work one shift, and the force at the mine has been largely reduced.

There is considerable doing on the south fork of Kaslo creek. At the Silver Bell, Nels Martin has several cars ready to ship.

Above the Jo Jo Bob McPherson is still running on the Milton the long crosscut upon which he has worked for the past three summers.

Since Richards and Williams made the gold strike on the Jo Jo they lock the tunnel at night and pack the sacks of rich ore to their bunkhouse.

On Goat Mountain Barker and Burgess are getting another car of high grade ore ready for the smelter, and the Real Idea No. 2 is doing the same.

It is reported upon good authority that the Great Northern railway will put in a plant at Kaslo for separation and concentration of lead and zinc ores.

Seven cars of zinc ore in bulk were shipped on Saturday from the Lucky Jim to Kaslo were it will be sampled and stored awaiting bids from various smelters.

So far this year the Rambler has shipped 777 tons. Owing to the lack of water with which to run the mill only 20 men are working on the mine, and these may be laid off at any time.

The Ibex, at one time advertised in the Toronto papers as having $2,000,000 worth of ore in sight, is now being advertised for sale to satisfy a judgment of $1406.25 obtained against it by several Kaslo miners

CROSSED IN A DUG-OUT

ROUND THE WORLD TOOK THREE YEARS

New York, Sept. 11.—A special cable from London today to the New York Herald says:

Capt. Voss, of the three Master Tillikum, two and a half tons, which anchored in Margate Harbor this week, is perhaps the only Cockle Shell navigator who has made money at the business. His crew consists of an expert advance agent who looks more at home in a top hat and a Prince Albert coat than in oil skins.

The Tillikum travelled forty-one thousand miles, starting from Vancouver, B. C., three years ago and finishing in a tank of the London Hippodrome next week. It is nothing but an Indian dug-out canoe, forty three years old, thirty feet long, two feet six inches in depth of hold, with a tiny cabin protruding fourteen inches above her deck. Instead of a bowsprit, she has a carved bow like a viking ship and her three masts look like small bean poles. It spreads thirty eight yards of canvas. The old salts of the Margate shake their heads and refuse to believe that the Tillikum has ever weathered a gale, but the Skipper is armed with proofs. He attributes his success in riding out all kinds of blows to a canvas sea anchor of his own invention. As a "Mascot" he carries the skull of the Indian who carved out the canoe. On the Pacific a green sea carried away his crew and compass and sent them to the bottom together. With this exception Capt. Voss had no serious accidents.

THREE FORKS

Angus Cameron has bought the Peake residence.

Hugh Niven has recovered from a threatened attack of catarrhal appendicitis.

The largest brakeman is the world caught 15 fish in one sitting near Rosebery last week.

Recently 17 lots have been sold in Rosebery, principally to Calgary and Vancouver investors.

The fires on the north side of the town became so hot the other day that many of the inhabitants packed their goods, and prayed for rain.

John Sheridan is in town. John went to Mexico in '57, Pike's Peak in '59, Idaho in '63, but had to come to the Slocan for an ideal climate.

SLOCAN MINES

The Cork has 25 men in the mine. The machinery for the 100 ton mill is expected every day. Several carpenters are working on the building which should be completed in January. The lumber is being sawn on the ground by a portable. The Cork has much to do with the prosperity of Kaslo.

W. J. Sutton, of Victoria accompanied by W. H. Sandford have made this week a thorongh examination of the Noble Five, and adjoining properties. Mr. Sutton is an eminent geologist, and is acting for James Dunsmuir. He was formerly a professor in the Michigan School of Mines. It is reported that W. H. Sandiford who so successfully opened up the Bosun will return in a short time and take charge of the Noble Five.

The Last Chance resumed shipments to Trail on Saturday. About 20 men are working in the mine. A winze has been sunk 200 feet from No. 6 tunnel, and at a depth of 1700 feet from the mouth of the mountain an immense body of ore has been encountered which assays 125 ounces in silver, and 50 per cent lead. Louis Pratt is highly pleased with the strike as it bears out his belief that the Slocan will yet have some of the deepest and greatest galena mines of the world.

THE ROSEBERY PLANT

The contract will soon be let and work commence upon the erection of the buildings for the zinc plant at Roseberry. The buildings will be four in number and it will take over 350,000 feet of lumber to build them. Fifty men will be employed for several months in the construction. The buildings will have a frontage of over 600 feet. The buildings will be finished in January and the machinery installed in February. The machinery is now on the way from England except that to be purchased in Canada and the States. When completed the plant will have cost $100.000, and will employ from 25 to 30 men.

The main supply of ore will be drawn from the Monitor mine at Three Forks. In October machine drills, pumps and other machinery will be placed in the Monitor and by January 90 men will be working in the mine, making Three Forks once again a hive of industry.

W. C. E. Koch, one of the most liberal and energetic men in the country, has been awarded the contracts for the buildings, and it is needless to say that there will be no delay in the work. The works will be built under the supervision of J. C. Fernau, M.I.C.E. The Ledge wishes the enterprise every success, and those able officials of the Monitor, M. Gintzberger and Fred Fingland.

KASLO

Wm. Houston has returned from the hills.

Mrs. John Millington has gone to reside in Vancouver.

A. T. Garland is having his ranch surveyed at Salisbury creek.

Gus Carlson shipped a lot of railroad iron on Friday to Heppner, Ore.

James Anderson was married in Winnipeg on Thursday to Miss Whellams.

Randall Kemp is edding a paper in Alaska, and Peck McSwain is making Jokes in Kettle River.

Joe Carton has returned from Meadow creek where he had been for months developing his claims.

Robert Kmox one of the most obliging pursers that ever punched a ticket on Kootenay lake is now agent in New Westminster for the N. W. V. & Y. Ry. M. D. McKinnon is his able successor on the Kaslo.

SLOCAN CITY

Miss Few is teaching school in Three Forks.

George Graham, formerly purser on the W. Hunter is mate on the Slocan.

S. B. Clement was married in Vancouver recently to Lottie Dennis of that city.

Charley Stibles is mixing high balls at the Arlington. Tom Tobin says he held the same job when the town had no whiskers and craps were shot on the sidewalk.

Labor Day was a great success. Slocan defeated New Denver in the rifle match by 19 points. Renwick, Thomas, Hicks, Stopher and McBeath were the principal Athletes. The Nelson Amateurs walked away with the local juveniles defeating them eight to a goosegg. The basketball game was won by the Nelson ladies. The first prize in the drilling was won by Gillang and McGillivray, of Rossland. Most of the visitors came from Nelson and Rossland.

A TERRIBLE MASSACRE

Brisbane, Sept. 11.—In German New Guinea the natives attacked the Catholic Mission and killed two priests, three Brothers and five Sisters. About 36 of the natives were captured and 16 were executed. They intended to kill all the whites but failed.

LATEST FROM POPLAR

J. A. Magee goes to Winnipeg on Monday.

The bond on the Hecla group has not been thrown up.

An Irish eviction and other sensations occured here this week.

The first pack train laden with Spyglass ore arrived in town on Friday.

Dave Booth is organizing a company to develop claims on Tenderfoot creek.

HOLD UP ON C.P.R.

WESTBOUND STOPPED AT MISSION JUNC. $7,000 TAKEN

Vancouver, B.C., Sept. 11.—C. P.R. west-bound trans-continental express, known as No. 1, was held up by three masked men last night a few miles west of Mission Junction. Train was late and was travelling at rapid speed to make up time when engineer Scott was surprised by a masked man who pointing a gun at him commanded him to stop the train. The engineer at the same time noticed two other armed men climbing into the cab from the tender. Seeing resistance useless, he complied with the command and stopped the train. While one man remained on the locomotive to guard the engineer, the other two took the fireman and made him cut off the mail and express car from other part of train. Conductor Ward, noticing tnat the train had stopped looked out, but was promptly told to keep inside or he would be shot. He at once saw that the train was held up and the brakey was told to warn passengers to hide their valuables, while the other brakeman was sent back to Mission Junction to notify the operator there to send word to Vancouver for assistance. As soon as the train had been uncoupled the engineer was ordered to draw the express car ahead a short distance. Then he and the fireman were forced to get out of the engine and accompany the robbers to express car under threat of blowing the car up with dynamite when expressman Mitchell opened the door and was promptly disarmed. From the express car the robbers secured $6000 in gold dust and $1000 in cash. They next visited the mail car and secured registered mail bags, contents of which are at present unknown. Having secured the booty the men retired into bush and struck off in the direction of Fraser river, their intention evidently being to cross it and make for the American side.

After the robbers' departure the engineer ran back to the main portion of the train and coupled up and proceeded to Vancouver.

A special train was made up here and a posse of C.P.R., city and provincial police left in pursuit of the robbers. No word has been received from them so far.

Passengers were not molested and none of the train crew were robbed of any personal effects. It is thought the robbers imagined that the clean up of the Cariboo Consolidated Hydraulic Company would be on the train as they seemed surprised at the small amount of gold dust package. This is the first hold up on the C.P.R. if not in Canada. (One occured 25 years ago between Hamilton and Toronto when $100,000 was stolen. Ed.)

Gallium is one of the rarest of metals and was discovered in 1875 by a French scientist. It is of a gravish white [illegible] the property of fusing at the very low point of 30 C. or 86 F. or, in other words, the warmth of the hand is sufficient to melt this substance. But, small quantity of gallium exists, as its extractions is most difficult and expensive, a pound of the metal costing upwards of $10,000.

SHORT TELEGRAMS

New York, Sept. 11.—Germanic aground off Sandy Hook. All safe.

Philadelphia, Sept. 11.—The steamer Columbia collided with a launch and eight drowned.

Edmonton, N. W. T. Sept. 11.—Governor General and party arrived here yesterday and received a warm welcome. Lord Minto laid the corner stone of the New McKey Ave. School, and left at noon for Strathcona from whence he will leave on his trip to Battleford overland. Lady Minto and children proceed to Regina to await the arrival of party.

SANDON

Even in Sandon some of the boys still draw to 18.

Jim Bell is behind the range at the Mountain Con.

The merchants of Sandon are doing an immense business.

Joe Moret has returned to Sandon, probably for the winter.

Weary Willie was in town this week and made a small fortune.

Sidney Norman and E. M. Sandilands took a look at the Mercury on Thursday.

Billy Parham is perfectly sober and has a line of novels that will delight any lover of fiction.

Jake Kelsen has been out of the hospital for some time, but is still subject to fainting fits.

It is an even bet that John Regan will not stay in New Brunswick, unless he gets married.

The Sandon Chop House is open day and night, and the beefsteaks are always large and tender.

Fred Holten's tame bear ran away the other day, and died from lead poisoning near the Madison slide.

Red Paddy came to town the other day and had his hair mowed. He is now rustling anotner stake for Kettle river.

The new Miner's hospital now in course of erection on Sunnyside will cost about $6,000 including furnishings.

Mr. Turney, who came from London to examine the Hendryx process spent a few days in Sandon the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Pratt

F. H. Hawkins is fitting up the old Paystreak office as an assay office. He is moving it back and putting a handsome porch in front.

Paddy Murphy would rather pound a drill than eat, so he intends to put in the winter at the Winslow, one of the best-looking gold properties in the Lardeau.

Mike McAndrews is in Cody, fairly well but still walks with two canes. He has a hot spring back eight miles from Nakusp that will some day become famous.

Another cellar is being built at the New York Brewery. The proprietors find it difficult at times to supply the great demand for their beer. It is the best beer made in this country.

A grouse lit on an empty building the other day, and a local sportsman shot at it 40 times before the bird succumbed to its injuries. This proves the assertion that this is not a gun camp and any tenderfoot is safe within the limits.

Harry Tobias who came into Ainsworth in '83 with Al Wheeler has been in Sandon for some time. Like many other pioneers he finds Kootenay too dull and civilized, and proposes to soon hit the trail for the burning sands of Nevada or the frost-touched hills of Alaska.

Labor Day opened with the accouchement of 75 Eagles. Then everybody took a drink, and the sports commenced. Tom Campbell took 1st prize in the single hand drilling contest and Cliff Seal 2nd, Killed 3rd, and A. Growder, 4th 12 3-16 inches was the best distance made. R Nichols took 1st, and Harry Nash 2nd prize in the foot race. A Kennedy got 1st in the shot throwing, and John Tyo 2nd. Kaslo won the [illegible] race in 28 1-5 seconds, Sandon team being knocked out by an accident. Sandon won in the football match against Silverton. Geo. McKay was 1st in the Victoria Cross race, and W H Davidson 2nd. In the double hand drilling contest Foulds Bros., of Greenwood, got 1st prize, drilling 80 1-16 inches; Dumpay & Hughey, 2nd, McKinnon & McDonald 3rd, McGillivray & Gillang 4th. In the horse race Hugh Niven's Rhone Pet got under the wire first and Billy Bennett's Sandon Spirt second. W. Renwick won the jumping contests. In the prize fight H McLellan, of Sandon, knocked Thos. McGillivray out in 5 rounds. On the day after the celebration Fould Bros made 32½ inches in a rock drilling contest for a 1st purse. In the same contest Dan McGillivray, of Rossland, and Dan Macdonald of the Payne got second place with a 26¾ inch to their credit. Quite a number of prizes were won in the stud draw, and black jack contests, but the list of winners was not sent in for publication.

NEWS FROM THE WAR

ACTIVE OPERATIONS ALMOST SUSPENDED

Chefoo, Sept. 11.—The latest advices from Port Arthur says that the Russians on September 4, shelled the Japanese covered trenches in front of Pali Chuang and destroyed them. Everything was quiet along the line during night of September 4, but in the morning it was seen that the Japanese outposts had crept closer into the Russian lines. An incident of recent bombarding of Port Arthur was the striking of the roof off a hospital by a Japanese shell. The Japanese fire was drawn to the hospital by the placing near it by the Russians of beacon signals. One small Russian scouting party succeeded in creeping close to the Japanese entrenchments on Corner mountain but the barking of dogs gave the alarm and prevented a further advance. Japanese reserves poured into the entrenchments and opened fire on the Russians but a shell from a Russian battery landed in the trench and killed many of the Japanese soldiers and the remainder retired. This enabled the Russians to occupy the trench until dawn. The trench evidently was unimportant for the Japanese made no attempt to retake and the Russian scouts withdrew shortly after day break. On September 6, a small body of Japanese troops captured some outpost trenches upon the high hill, which is not far from Corner mountain, but upon the approach of a Russian detachment they evacuated this position without fighting.

Mukden, Sept. 11.—All quiet here. A service held today for repose of the sools of the dead. It is reported that the main Jap force has retired to Yen Tai.

Chefoo, Sept. 11.—(7.30 p. m.) A Chinese who left Port Arthur the night of September 6, arrived here today and reports that the Jap troops to the number of 5,000 control Louisa Bay to the northwest of Port Arthur, and that the Japs are in control also of Pigeon Bay, to the west of Port Arthur. This Chinese was taken to Port Dalny and on the way passed through five villages where detachments of Jap troops numbering from 2,000 to 5,000 were quartered.

Seoul, Korea, Sept. 11.—Four of the crew of the Italian third class cruiser Pugle were killed last Thursday in the harbor of Chemulpo and sixteen others rendered ill by the fumes of bursting shells. The actual explosion of the shells did but little damage.

There is almost an entire suspension of active operations between Russian and Japanese.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—No hostilities yesterday. It is said that Viceroy Alexieff has resigned.

Tokio, Sept. 11.—The Japanese lost 17,539 killed and wounded at Liao Yang.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11. The [illegible] troops in the districts of Odessa and one category throughout the empire have been called out. The Baltic fleet is to sail for Libau today.

The King Solomon Mines will crown grant about 20 claims

The Pontiac is getting ready to ship dry ore much of which will run 200 ounces of silver to the ton

On the Baltimore, across the creek from the Pontiac there are 20 carloads of high grade dry ore in sight

LIFE IN NELSON

The Railway Commission took plenty of evidence, and said bye-bye.

Tom Collins has gone to Tonopah, but has promised to return again.

The Ledge has the largest circulation of any weekly paper published in British Columbia.

A Chicago firm will establish large lead corroding works at Montreal. Nelson missed it.

The number of The Ledge Phone is 115. Ring it up when you have an ad that is ripe enough to pick.

Miss Grace Bonner will present her character sketch "Esmerelda" in the Methodist church this evening.

A Pullman car was attached to the Slocan express last week, and the natives thought the C.P.R. had gone crazy.

J. A. McDonald has captured the wholesale fruit business of the province, and ships five tons daily from Nelson.

The Nelson Opera House is to be remodelled. It should be made absolutely fireproof so that no lives will ever be lost in it.

The last heard of Wings (J. T. Wilkinson) was from the top of a glacier in Alaska where he had gone to cool off after travelling 4,000 miles through India.

R. A. Brown, the popular newsagent, was married to Miss Nellie Ediams Lownsbrae last Thursday. The marriage took place at the residence of Andrew Jardine, in Kaslo.

In Cuba, Kansas. 27 women put on war paint and wrecked four blind pigs where booze was sold without a license. It would take more than 27 women to clean up the places in Nelson where liquor is dispensed without legal harmony.

R. F. Langford came west to write up the fruit possibilities of B.C. for the Winnipeg Tribune, but has become so enamored with the country that he has bought 160 acres of land along Kootenay lake and will return next winter to settle upon it for life. It is an ideal climate for him around these parts, and he prefers it to that of Alabama, California or Winnipeg.

Nelson should assist and encourage all the camps in the Slocan and Lardeau. The deep strike in the Last Chance, resumption of work at the Noble Five and the building of a $100,000 zinc plant at Rosebery, and the ultimate development of Poplar, Trout Lake and Ferguson means a great deal of trade for this city provided we have the right kind of business men. Nickle minds will not build up a city. We must have business men broad enough to occasionally forget themselves and help others. There is considerable feeling against this city on the outside, owing to an excess of pork in some of our prominent people.

W. R. Hearst said in Spokane that he had never seen anything in Europe to equal the scenery of the Arrow and Kootenay lakes, and yet he did not see the grandest sights that we have in Kootenay. The Tourist Association should make capital of his visit and remarks. It is apropos to mention that 20 years ago Heart's father in company with Haggen owned the Blue Bell mine, opposite Ainsworth. They applied to the B.C. government and obtained a grant of six townships provided they would build a railroad to connect Kootenay lake with the Columbia river. After making a survey of the Blue Bell mine they suddenly quit the country.

But few people realize the immensity of some of the ore bodies being worked in the Black Hills. Not long ago the Horseshoe Company put teams at work scraping the surface earth from the ore body. In the meantime a force of men was put at work driving a tunnel beneath, after which it was charged with 2500 pounds of black powder and blasted, breaking 30,000 tons of ore. Superintendent Edwards Manion states that this delicate operation will be repeated at least a dozen times before the ore has too much earth [illegible] to interfere with this system of quarrying.

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Address everything to—

THE LEDGE,
Nelson, B. C.

A pencil cross in this square indicates that your subscription is due, and that the editor wants once again to look at your collateral

A Great Light

This great paper is printed at night, and just as it went to press last Monday the electric lights committed suicide, and candles had to be hunted up in order to get out the edition in time for breakfast. Getting out a morning paper by candle light seems like climbing backward, and does not speak well for a city that is supposed to be up-to-date. Puts us in mind of Sault Ste. Marie when the electric light company was so poor they could not buy wood half the time. No wood, no light. In Nelson it must be no water, no light, but nothing causes more profanity than to have the light pinch out when you are reaching for a jackpot or just going to press with a page of news hot from Liaoyang. It is enough to make a saint cuss his mother, and the parsons of this busy burg will do much towards the decrease of brimstone language if they will pray with the city fathers until a perfect system of municipal lighting takes the place of the senile affair that half the time burns a hole in the night like a stranded firefly, and the other half lets darkness prevail without cutting the rates at the end of the month.

IT IS more than likely that the great gold boom of 1905 will be at Poplar.

MACLEOD is yellow enough to be a gold camp. Every inhabitant in ten wears the pigtail.

NELSON is much in need of an electric system of lights that will keep burning. The present system is an imposition upon the public.

TIMES are looking up in Atlin. The local paper has been enlarged and a man by the name of Coffin railed a $500 house the other evening.

THERE is still gold in Dawson. The other day two men took out in 18 hours $20,000 of the yellow stuff from an old claim on Eldorado creek.

THE presence of W. R. Hearst in Nelson is an excellent chance for the Tourist Association to say a few words. Perhaps they have spoken.

IN a Pennsylvanian town the fine for swearing out loud is $100, or three months in the bastile. The captain of a pack train would have a red, roaring time in that camp.

THE Toronto Telegram has not mentioned this paper for a month. Why this silence, oh, Black Jack?

CANADA is still without a mint although we started to build one at Nakusp eleven years ago. A mint in Canada would make money from the start, and we cannot understand why the government does not build one. It must be owing to the influence of the bankers who prefer rag money to the solid coin.

ANDY OLSEN after living for 42 years in Cariboo has sold his ranch and gone back to Sweden. It strikes us that the name Olsen must be to the Swedes what Murphy is to the Irish, Smith to the English, and Tonald to the Scotch. You hear of the Olsen's everywhere, even at Ainsworth. We already have two taking this paper, and have room for the balance.

THE LEDGE contains a chute of humor that will be worked more extensively just as soon as the public fill this paper with enough of ads to keep the editor from having to prospect the entire country. No paper ever published in this city or country has been more appreciated by the reading public, and if circulation counts for anything it should soon be filled with all the ads that it can stand.

IT IS now said that the Japs are not Asiatics but Jews. It is supposed that they are descendents of the Lost Tribes of Israel who got away from Palestine in the early days and failed to return. Judging from the way that they have put the Russians on the pike a suspicion has arisen that a few Irishmen have drifted into their ranks. If the suspicion is true the soldiers of the Czar might as well go home and save further expense.

IN Port Arthur Stoessel in the egotism born of his religion telegraphs the Czar that God is helping him repel the Japs. Judging from the godless Associated Press reports it would seem that God is also boosting for the Japs, although those brown warriors do not recognize Him in their daily devotions. It seems to us that men who murder their fellow men wholesale would be more in harmony with their job if they recognized the devil as the power behind the gun. Surely a good God cannot sanction the awful deeds of men animated by the lust for blood and gain.

ALL EATEN UP

The editor of a country newspaper is often is own reportorial staff as well, and some of his experiences when out after copy should make interesting reading. The editor of a flourishing journal in a northern Californian town recently called at the home of the bride's parents the day after the wedding. He was desirous of telling his readers all about the event and wished to give the young couple a good send-off as well. The bride's mother met him. "Good morning, Mrs. Jones," said the editor. "I've called to get some of the details of the wedding." "Goodness," replied Mrs. Jones in dismay, "they're all gone. You ought to have come last night. They are, every scrap."

A LOT OF PEOPLE

A stranger, passing along the road in the South of Scotland, was surprised at the perfect solitude in which he found himself. Coming to a poor man who was breaking stones by the wayside, he asked him if the road was well frequented. "O' ay,' said the man, "it's no ill. A cadger gaed by yesterday, and there's yersel' the day."

A BIG ONE

"May not be new, but I just heard it," said the man at the head of the table. "Give it to us." "Man from California said that they raised cabbage out there as big as a wash tub. Man from Missouri said that they didn't brag much on cabbage, but he had been in Kansas City and had seen three policemen asleep on one 'beet'."

THE SENATOR'S ITALIAN

A prominent senator, who claims to be rather more cultivated than some of his colleagues, prides himself on his knowledge of Italian. During a recent visit to New York, he patronized a street bootblacking stand, and as he got into the seat directed the bootblack, in his best Italian, to make haste, as he was trying to catch a train.

The bootblack stared at the senator for a moment in apparent perplexity, then answered briefly: "Me no speak English."

A newsboy standing on the corner had witnessed the incident with interest.

"He ain't no Frenchman," he observed, confidentially, as the senator got down the stand, "he's a Dago. Talk Italian."

A RELATED EXPLANATION

An innocent looking German boy walked into a drug store the other day and faced the proprietor.

"Haf you got some bees' stings for rheumatisms?" he shyly inquired.

"Bees' stings for rheumatism," the proprietor repeated. "Where did you hear of that?" "Why, muther vas reating it by de newspapers," replied the lad.

The proprietor laughed.

"I've seen something of that kind in the papers," he said, "but I won't attempt to offer you anything just as good. Where is the rheumatism?"

"In de handt und in de arm," the boy replied.

"Well, see here," said the proprietor, with a sudden smile, "I haven't got the cure on my shelves, but I keep it in the backyard. You go through my door and walk around my flower beds. When you see four or five bees resting on a flower just try to pick them up."

The boy nodded and went out. He was gone at least ten minutes.

When he came back his face was red and his nose—where an angry [illegible] had alighted—was [illegible] to swell. He held out his hand.

"I picked me some of dose bees oop," he placidly remarked.

"Did you?" said the amused proprietor. "And does your hand feel any better?"

"It ain't for me," the boy placidly said. "It's for my bruder."

Always have a bottle of Sandon beer in your pocket when you go fishing. Write to the New York Brewery and get a case.

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

Last week a strapping negro woman was up before a magistrate, charged with unmercifully beating her boy.

"I don't understand how you can have the heart to treat your own child so cruelly," said the magistrate.

"Jedge, have you been a parent of a wufless yaller boy like dat ar cub of mine?"

"Never— no never!" (with great vehemence—and getting red in the face).

"Den don't talk; you don't know nuffin' about it."

COURTESY

The Japanese proprietor of a tea shop in the East-end of London has been much annoyed by the incessant howling of his neighbor's dog under his window while he was trying to sleep. There came a night when his patience gave way. He raised the window; stuck his head out, and called to his neighbor in terms that indicated that his English environment was gradually undermining his native politeness. "Mist' Jones," he said, "will you do me a kindness for request the honorable dog that he stop his honorable bark? If you don't, by gosh, I knock his head off!"

A BOY'S ESSAY ON LIONS

The boy's teacher had taken him to the zoological garden with his class mates. Upon their return the teacher asked that each should write an easay on some of the animals he had seen. Here is a sample from a bright-mined eleven-year-old:

"Lions always walk except when they eat and then they growl. There roar is most teraifying to men and other beasts when heard in the forest, but when they are in cages it sounds like they were sorry about something. Their tails are not so long as a monkey's according to their size, but keep switching all the time, and the seals can make just as loud a noise and have more fun in the water. They are cats, no matter what you think, and their size has nothing to do with it, and they think without talking. Once a donkey stole a lion's skin and went around bragging about it, but the other donkey's got on to him because he talked so much. That showed he was a donkey. Keep still when you are thinking.

A GOOD RECOMMENDATION

At an author's reading in New York, in which Mark Twain took part, when it came Twain's turn to speak he walked slowly to the front of the platform, glanced down at the reading stand in a puzzled sort of way, as if wondering what it was for, and then carefully picking it up he walked over to the extreme right of the platform with it and left it there. Then, returning to the centre of the platform he faced the audience and remarked: "Have more room to talk now. The piece I am going to speak is one that requires plenty of room—for the gestures, you know. Can't do a subject justice without the space to—er—motion it off." It was upon another occasion that Clemens introduced the solemn and dignified Professor Stowe, his neighbor in Hartford, to an audience before whom he was going to lecture, by soberly delivering himself of these words, "This is Professor Stowe," jerking his thumb over his shoulder at him, "who is going to talk to you when I get through. His lecture may be a trifle dry, but I can give him a first class recommend as a citizen and neighbor. His backyard joins mine up in Hartford. My hennery is right up next to his fence. Had it there now for going on fifteen years—and I've never missed a pullet.

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Jack—I am not doing anything.

Ethel—He said a clever young man.

A HOT TIME

Irving Bacheller, the author of "Eben Holden," was born in the northernmost corner of the State of New York, and everybody there knows him and has a standing invitation to see him if they chance to go to New York city, a journey few of them undertake. Recently a woman who used to supply the Bacheller family with fresh vegetables when Irving was a boy went to the city to visit a grandson and called on the author. On her return she met a friend in the local post-office and said: "Tell you what, Irving has got things mighty fine since he begun this book-writing business. Rugs on the floor, and pictures on the wall, and all that. And not a stove to bother with—the whole house is het by gladiators."

HE HAD A PREFERENCE

Captain George Archer, who recently gave up his post of bodyguard to John D. Rockefeller, heard, during his nineteen years of service, many interesting and odd things. "Yes," he said, the other day, "I had some strange experiences while while I was working for Mr. Rockefeller. "I halted a good many queer people at Mr. Rockefeller's outer door. I remember a Baptist minister I held up there last year. He hailed from a little town in Vermont, and he talked like a brother to me. He told me all about a minister's life in the country. It isn't an easy life. You'd be surprised to hear how some country people treat their ministers. Why, this man said that one cold winter night he was hustled out of bed by a woman he didn't know and ordered to come right away to her house two miles off, because her son was sick. 'But I don't know you,' the minister grumbled. 'Are you a member of my church? Am I your pastor?' 'No,' said the woman. 'I'm a member of Mr. McWade's church. Mr. McWade is my pastor. I don't care about calling him in though. My son's case is contagious.'"

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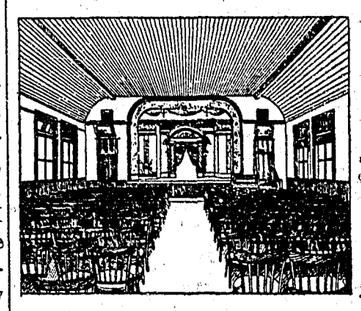

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Hung Up in Japan

A. G. HALES, in London Daily News.

Whilst I was hung up in Japan it struck me that there were places on the coast that might in the near future play an important part in the as yet unwritten history of the far east. Giving out that I had abandoned all hope of doing any work as a war correspondent, I moved around, ostensibly gathering material for a lecturing tour and for the making of a book One day I was dining with a Japanese noble of high degree, who took me over his works and showed me how the Japs make swords, with tools as primitive as those used five hundred years ago. The next I was amongst the coolies in the rice fields, with my Chinese interpreter, picking up the social and industrial life of the country. Later still I was looking at the hot springs near Myineshota, and a few days afterwards I sat at the foot of the sacred mountain, Fujiyama. Then I drifted towards the coast and saw many things which would have been forbidden to the war correspondent Everywhere I saw soldiers, drilling, drilling, drilling, for the nation is being turned into soldiers; the pruning hook is being beaten into the sword, the ploughshare into the lance and the next generation of Japanese will feel the strain as all nations who plunge into war on a great scale feel it sooner or later. The thing that struck me most forcibly in my wanderings was the utter carelessness with which the coolie who is called to the colors leaves wife and child. A lot of false sentiment has, in my opinion, deluged the world's press in regard to the Japs, and nowhere is this more apparent than in the matter of the soldier going to war and his wife. Love, as we of the western world understand it, does not exist in Japan. A man leaves his one working bullock or his one skinny donkey with regret, because it represents so many yens to him, but, as far as I have seen, his wife and his daughters he cares no more about than for the stubble in the field. This may be an ugly truth, but it is a truth I do not find room to doubt. His wife may wear her fingers to the bone working for a little rice, his daughters may, and will, go to the "Yoshamusa," the city of outcasts, if she is of a pretty face, but that does not trouble him

Kobe is a place that may figure boldly in the future history of the eastern world. It numbers some two hundred odd thousand inhabitants. There are a few hundred of fairly rich Japanese, a few very rich natives and some well-to-do Europeans there, with a mass of Japanese people who never, from the cradle to the grave, know what it is to have a decent rag to cover their hides or a full meal to fill their bellies. It is a pretty place, fairly well fortified at the entrance, but not one of the Japanese strongholds. Ships on their way to Shanghai call there, and the life of the place is fairly good. Kobe is at the entrance of the Inland Sea of Japan, coming from the southeast, and all its fortifications, such as they are, front that way, but no serious effort has been made to render it a place of much military or naval strength. From Kobe I went to Uji, and here I found the military and naval people most active, for it is from Uji that all, or nearly all, the transports start that take troops to Port Arthur and the other hostile bases Uji is guarded most jealously; no living man can carry a camera openly there, and yet, with all their caution and innate cunning, the Japs sometimes overlook little matters that are worth attending to I was told that I would be sent out of the place if I did not either hand over my camera or destroy it. I dropped my camera over the wharf after removing the lens, and then I strolled off to a little Jap shop where photographs were for sale I had been there before and for a price I obtained from a son of the soil what I was not allowed to take for myself. That sort of things hold good all over Japan. The photographers are good patriots, but—well, yens are yens, and a roll of them will go far in Japan.

Uji is a spot that will never be taken without a bitter fight from the seaward side, nor from the landward side

Its exact strength it is hard to gauge, because sentries are posted all over the place and spies dog a man's footsteps night and day. There is a lot of humor in Japanese war correspondence. I saw an astute American newspaper [illegible] of his methods. He wore a clubby suit of clothes and carried under his arm a book of butterflies, a really beautiful collection. He wore big horn spectacles and never talked of any [illegible] spoke to him of the war he shrugged his shoulders and said nothing. I knew the man in spite of his get up, because once before in an out-of-the way corner of the world I had met him and worked against him, but he was a "stamp-collecting maniac" then. When he noticed me I saw a flush of annoyance rise to his hard, thin face, but I sent him a reassuring wink and passed him as a stranger. He went chasing a very rare variety of butterfly right up against one of the automatic disappearing guns a day or two later and the next day he was shipped off to Shanghai. You can't take too much interest even in butterflies in Uji. The Japs think an awful lot of those disappearing guns, of which they have quite a number. There is some secret attached to them that I could not learn; it was sold to them by a Scotch engineer. I may be wrong in my estimate of human nature, but I fancy that my American friend was more interested in the secret of that gun than in the capture of that butterfly, rare as the species may have been.

MINING PAST AND FUTURE

Mr. John A Church, one of the first mining engineers ever graduated from an American institution, has written an extremely interesting article for the Mining Magazine, of New York, entitled "Mining Past and Future." Alluding to the history of mining in America, Mr. Church says:

It is only a quarter of a century since the yield of British copper ores was about 9 per cent, and of foreign ores smelted in British works about 15 per cent. America was then a large contributor to the Welsh furnaces; and long before our continent was spanned by railroads, ores, chiefly of copper and silver, were gathered in desert regions, and after a toilsome wagon haul were taken by the most devious waterways, or by a long railroad journey, to a shipping port, and landed in Cornwall, after a trip that in some cases covered from six to nine months.

This was the history of even such a remarkable mine as the Anaconda, and many of us can remember the exhibition of industrial courage with which the owners of the erection of their own smelters under conditions of fuel supply and freight that were forbidding.

This is also the history of Butte from the earliest days when the furnaces turned out a product that was hauled by wagon to Ogden. It is the history of the Copper Queen, situated fifty miles from a railroad and two thousand miles from a market

The beginnings of the great district at Clifton and Morenci, Arizona, were made when copper was hauled 600 miles in wagons, and when nearly a year was needed to get a four-ton locomotive on the ground. The freight alone on coke delivered at Globe was $42 a ton. . . . . Frequently the development of the mines has led to the construction of a railroad, and the importance of some of the mines has been a powerful incentive to the building of continental systems;

In view of American interests in the Far East and recent developments in that direction, one statement is rather significant:

We are already reaching out into other countries that afford sea transport, and I should not be surprised to see the day come when certain great mines which I visited in China will be brought into the American market

Mr. Church refers in a graphic manner to the relation existing between recent scientific discoveries and the industry of mining:

The wonderful discoveries in chemistry make it almost certain that the miner of the future will be engaged in a search for rare elements and perhaps for some that are still known or not fully appreciated. The power of electricity has given us the command of elements which could not be separated except in minute specks twenty-five years ago and it is entirely possible that new alloys with valuable qualities will extend the field of his usefulness. The miner in fact has one eye applied to a telescope, looking for new fields of effort, and the other glued to a microscope, searching for traces of metal, that he may recover from the slags and gases of his waste products His work is bound closely with the development of transportation, and indeed with every other industry, so that men who boast a conservatism that rejects investments in mining look with dismay while their bonds fall in value because there is a strike among distant mines.

OUR WEST NOT WEAK NERVE

We are now told that an almost insurmountable mountain has risen across the path of the new woman in her march to sweep man out of the [illegible] cause the rules says that a carrier must wear "coat, vest and pants." The new woman wears well but she does not wear pants. So she can't carry the mail. This is awful. Must a woman put on pants after all? She must have employment. Generally she gets what she goes after. In the good old days, the women did all the work, while the men fought or got drunk. In the age, following this savage age, woman did not work outside the house. Man made the living. In this age, the woman wants to be a wage earner. She wants to make money. She has done well as a short hand stenographer, earning some money, and creating the usual amount of jealousy between the married heads of divers firms. She has done some right good work as a doctor, a nurse and a lawyer—but in this field, she has not done much because she is too apt to tell the truth. Now, she wants to enter the field as a mail carrier, and the government says she must wear pants, We object. Some how we have grown used to skirts. The best thing about a woman is her lap. When your old heart is full of grief and you want to cry a little you lay your head on a woman's lap. Palsed be the rule that would destroy that lap by bifurcation. Where would you put your scissors or spool of thread. A woman's lap is a family home. It must not be broken in two. You see your sweetheart coming up the street, now, and she looks like an animated hour glass, with a place around the waist where your arm can rest. That is the idea of a woman, and while this world is full of charge we don't want woman to change from "Sweet Alice, Ben Bolt" to Dr. Mary Walker. And we won't have it, if we have to support her ourself.—A. M. B In Windles Gatling Gun

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PROSPERITY REIGNS

Indications are not lacking that a great wave of progress and industrial activity is rolling over the interior of the province. In the Similkameen and Nicola districts many inquiries are being made for coal and other mineral properties with the addendum: "when do you expect the railway people to begin building?" Extensive mining and milling operations and the proposed smelter at Hedley add to the probability that railway construction on the coast to Kootenay route will soon begin. The great strides made in the Boundary in mining and smelting equipment places that district foremost in the world for cheap smelting. Then east and west Kootenay have never known such a period of steady progress in coal and metalliferous mining, in lumbering and railroad construction. There need not be an idle man in the whole of Yale and the Kootenays at $2.50 per day for laborers. In the Similkameen prospects were never more encouraging and with the coming of the railway ten thousand miners and laborers will be required for coal and metallic mining, for lumbering and farming. All that is lacking now is transportation. The Similkameen and Nicola districts cannot advance further without it.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Taylor and daughter are spending a vacation at Nakusp.

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M. Gintzberger has removed from Three Forks, and rented J. C. Bolander's house.

Joe Parent and wife have moved to Rosebery from Nakusp; he is at work on the Sawmill tug.

J H. Moran is working on his property and expects to ship a carload of ore in two weeks time.

Mr. Logan owner of the Sweetgrass came to town on Tuesday hoping to make a deal for the Mollie Hughes.

Mrs. Munroe and child returned to town after a lenghty visit to the East; they left on Sunday with Mr. Munroe for the Fisher Maiden.

Henry Macdonald came in town on Labor Day somewhat drunk. He spent all his money for onions, salt, whiskey and a jacknife. The he took two of Stege's rabbits, cut their throats decorated them with flags taken from the launch, built a fire on the lake shore and was getting ready to have a stew when he was discovered and taken to jail. He was tried in Sandon, and got $10 or 30 days. Being shy the ten he is now helping Bob Lemon in Nelson, and wondering why a man will drink, [illegible] bit stew.

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FIRST LOCATION.

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M. H. KENNEY.
Located the 28th day of July, 1904.

SECOND LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the East bank of Wilson creek, in the West Kootenay District, about 7½ miles above the falls, marked J. B., N. E. C., thence south 160 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence east 40 chains to point of commencement.

J. BUTLER.
Located the 28th day of July, 1904.

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Name of Person Assessed.	Description of Property	Delinquent Taxes		Costs	Total
		Taxes	Interest	A Expns.	
Baldwin, H. E.	South Half of Block [illegible] being subdivision of Lot 802, Group 1, and containing 2 acres more or less.	$2.40	10	$2.00	$4 50
Meeker, A. C.	N. E. quarter of section 8, being a subdivision of Lot 812, Group 1, and containing 16 acres more or less.	4 00	18	2 00	6 18
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Dated at Nelson, B.C. September 6th, 1904.

ROBERT A. RENWICK,
Assessor and Collector, Nelson District, West Kootenay.