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SENATORS CHOSEN IN EIGHT STATES

Chauncey M Depew Named in New York.

REPUBLICANS GAIN TWO

Matthews S. Quay of Pennsylvania Has a Fight on His Hands—Long Deadlock Probable.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 18—Joint meetings of both branches of the Legislature in 15 States were held today for the purpose of electing United States Senators. In eight states Senators were chosen and in seven faction fights prevented an election. The Senators elected were as follows: New York state, Chauncey M. Depew, Republican, to succeed Senator Murphy, Democrat; Connecticut, Gen. Joseph R. Hawley, re elected; Massachusetts, Henry, Cabot Ledge, re-elected; Maine, Eugene Hale, re-elected; Minnesota, Cushman K. Davis, re-elected; Missouri, Francis M. Cockerell, re-elected; Michigan, J. C. Burrows, re elected; Indiana, J. C. Beveridge, Republican, succeeding a Democratic.

In the states "deadlocked," five are are Republican, namely, Deleware, Pennsylvania, Nebraska, Washington and California. Two Democratic, Montana and Utah. The greatest interest is manifested in the fight for Senator in Pennsylvania, where Matthew S. Quay, the present Senator, and for many years the political "boss" of the state is seeking re-election. In the ballotting to day, Mr. Quay was 13 votes short of a majority and the anti-Quay people, headed by John Wanamaker, claim that they will continue the dead lock for six months, rather than allow Quay to succeed himself.

THIS IS DIFFERENT.

Dominion Government will Give Americans Good Treatment.

Toronto, Jan, 18.—The Mail says that a member of the Commons who enjoys the confidential relations with Laurier government assured him that the legislation affecting mining would be one of the most important matters of the coming session. The whole mining law needs to be re-cast. He says that the government intends to deal comprehensively with it.

The member of Parliament said: "We are going to insist that the Americans be treated the same as the aliens are treated in the States. The house will not meet until March. I am afraid Dingley's death will have the affect of delaying the session until late in that month.

TO VIEW THE REMAINS.

Hundreds Visit the Residence of the Late Father Chiniquy.

Montreal, Jan. 18—Hundreds of people, including many Catholics, visited the residence of the late Father Chiniquy and viewed the remains, since his death. Deceased is laid out in his Doctor of Divinity gown, with his treasured temperance medal upon his breast. His face bears a very peaceful expression. Many messages of condolence have been received by the family, including telegrams from Orange Young Britons of Vancouver, Joanna L. Reeves, of Toronto, one of deceased oldest and warmest friends; Dr. Henri Ami, of Geological Survey, Ottawa, and J. S. O'Connor, of New York, a converted Catholic. Rev. P. Boudreau, pastor of St. Anne's church, Kankakee, Illinois, where Dr. Chiniquy used to preach, telegraphed that he and Mr. Ballard, Mayor of the town, will attend the funeral as representatives of the congregation.

A GENEROUS DONATION.

Copenhagen, Jan. 17.—Carl Jacobson, the well-known brewer, has notified the municipal authorities here of his intention to present them with his splendid collection of art treasures, valued at over $1,400,000 on condition that a suitable building is provided for their display.

CURLING AT ST. PAUL.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 18—The ice was in splendid condition for play today in the Northwestern Curling Bonspiel and the temperature was just right. Five games were played this morning, three in the first draw for the St. Paul Jobbe s Trophy, and two in the first draw for the Pfister. Winnipeg has won the latter emblem twice i former years, but the fates were against the men from the north today. The two skips, Tom Kelly, of the Granites, and W. F. Payne, of the Thistles, went down to defeat. But there is still a chance for Winnipeg to capture this trophy if McKenzie of the Thistles wins his game with Milwaukee.

SERIOUS STABBING AFFRAY.

Rat Portage, Ont., Jan 17—A serious stabbing outrage took place at the Queen's hotel last night. Two men named Tony Ross and Frank Lewis were drinking together, but were not drunk by any means. Ross commenced teasing Lewis while in the bar about his knowledge of French, saying that he knew a great deal more about it than his companion. They left the bar still arguing, when Lewis stabbed Ross The wound was sufficiently deep to kill had it gone straight, but it glanced off on one of his ribs. Lewis was apprehended. Ross was taken to the hospital and doctors state he may drop off at any minute.

CHOATE IS CONFIRMED.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The Senate committee on foreign relations today agreed to a favorable report upon the nomination of Hon. Joseph H. Choate to be ambassador to Great Britain.

DREYFUS GUILTY

FORMER MINISTER OF WAR DISCUSSES THE CASE.

Says Dreyfus, and not Esterhazy, Was the Author of the Bordereau.

Paris, Jan. 18—The Soir today publishes another interview with General Mercier, who was Minister of War at the condemnation of Dreyfus. General Mercier reiterates his former statements and reasserts that the bordereau was certainly the work of Dreyfus and not of Esterhazy, who was not aware of its existence until long subsequent to the trial. Under the plea of professional secrecy, he declined to explain how the war office obtained the bordereau. The secret dossier, he said, consisted of war ministry documents fully proving the interferences deduced from the bordereau. The suggestion that it contained letters from a foreign sovereign he characterized as "a pure invention," as was also, he declared, the statement that M. Casimir Perier resigned the Presidency of the Republic on account of the Dreyfus affair. Regarding the motives that prompted Dreyfus to commit the treason imputed, General Mercier said: "Dreyfus was too fond of the society of women of a certain class. Had it not been for his reputation in this respect he would have left the militia college among the first three of his class, but, owing to his known immoral proclivities, he was only placed 11th. I think he resented this and that his treason was probably an act of revenge for it." Dreyfus was also in the habit of talking unpatriotically. A general was once obliged to censure him for saying that the Reichslanders preferred to belong to Germany as they were better treated, Dreyfus adding that he quite agreed with them.

Major Count Esterhazy arrived this evening from Rotterdam to testify before the Court of Cassation in the Dreyfus revision inquiry. Several newspaper men met him at the railway station, but he declined to be interviewed.

HOCKEY PROGRAMME.

The programme for the hockey matches at the Rossland Carnival next week was received yesterday by Mr. C. E. Beasley, secretary of the Nelson Hockey Club. On the evening of the 25th, Rossland and Revelstoke will play for the senior championship. On the 27th Nelson and the Victoria's of Rossland will play and the final game between the winners of the two series will take place on Saturday evening, the 18th inst.

For the junior championship Sandon and Rossland will meet on Friday morning and the winners will play Nelson for the title.

On account of this arrangement the Nelson club will enter only one team in the senior championship fight. The team will leave here on the night of the 26th and will be absent two days. The juniors will leave on the 27. On account of the soft weather no practices are taking place this week. The Crystal rink is closed until the weather becomes colder.

GREAT BRITIAN IS ANXIOUS FOR PEACE

Mr. Chamberlain Speaks of Foreign Affairs.

TROUBLE WITH FRANCE

If the Republic Wants a Settlement England Will Meet Her More Than Half Way.

London, Jan. 18.—The Right Honorable Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, speaking this evening at the banquet of the Wolverhampton Chamber of Commerce, renewed, at great length, the various threatening foreign questions confronting the Government. In connection with the withdrawl of the French demand for an extension of the settlement at Shanghia, Mr. Chamberlain congratulated his hearers that Great Britian's opposition to the French proposal had been strenuously supported by the representative of the United States.

"That, I think," he said "a significant and noteworthy fact. Nay, I think and hope it will become history It shows that circumstances are bringing about the community of interests between Anglo Saxons, which in the future may have far reaching and beneficient results."

He welcomed the changing tone on the part of France, declaring that if the French government desired an amicable settlement of all remaining difficulties, Great Britain would meet France more than half way.

Dwelling elaborately upon the Newfoundland difficulty, the minister said; "In spite of charges to the contrary, nobody here has the slightest desire to evade the obligations of the treaty of Utrecht; but, we desire that the rights conferred upon France by that treaty should not be extended and abused to the injury of our pocket. If, when these rights are properly defined, they are found to posses a value for France, we shal be perfectly willing to observe them, or if France is willing to arrange for their extinction on fair and reasonable terms of compensation."

Mr. Chamberlain described in detail how the French had continually been encroaching and striving to extend their claims on the French shore while at the same time their interest in the fishery had been continually decreasing.

"In fact," he said "by means of alleged rights, under antiquated treaties, they have strangled our colony of Newfoundland and have done so without a penny of advantage to themselves. If they are sincerely desirous of amity with England it will be an easy matter for them to abandon those antiquated rights for a satisfactory compensation.

In concluding, Mr. Chamberlain paid a high tribute to the success of Lord Salisbury's foreign policy, remarking: "It is cause for satisfaction that two great nations, Germany and the United States, both protectionists at home, have proclaimed their intention to adhere to the principle of "Open Door" in their foreign possession.

"We shall regard their expansion without jealousy and shall welcome their co-operation, and, I think, without being too sanguine, we may rely upon their sympathy and assistance in securing the general adoption of a principle to which we attach so much importance."

TO PROVE INSANITY.

The Means by Which Robert Taggart's Life May be Saved.

Toronto, Ont, Jan. 18—In the trial of Robert Taggart, charged with murdering his wife, evidence is being put in to sustain the theory of insanity submitted by the defence. Medical men and former acquaintances of Taggart occupied the stand all the morning, and it was shown that Taggart's father was a man given to spells of rage without occasion, the prisoner having inherited his disposition and shown indications of an unsound mind. Several doctors expressed the conviction that the prisoner was not responsible for his actions when he hammered out the brains of his wife.

SAMOAN ADVICES TELL OF CONFLICT

Chief Mataaf Wins a Bloody Battle.

MANY NATIVES KILLED

Revolution Breaks Out After the Announcement That Malieto Tanus Is King.

Auckland, New Zealand, Jan. 18—Samoan advices just received here say that Chief Justice Chambers on Dec. 31st declared Maliete Tanus to have been elected king in succession to the late King Malietoa. The Chief Justice also announced that Chief Mataafa was disqualified.

The Consuls of the United States and Great Britain and the Captains of the German Warship Falke and the British warship Porpoise met the German Consul, who refused to recognize Malietoa Tanus and declined to cooperate in the disposal of Samoans, who thereupon assembled in large numbers at Muliner, armed themselves and surrounded the municipality. Malietoa Tanus and Tamasese mustered about 2,000, well armed, but supplied with defective amunition. The British and American Consuls endeavored to avoid hostilities, but they commenced on Jan. 1st. Malieto Tanus and Tamasese fought bravely, but 500 of their followers were captured. Then, disheartened and outnumbered, the two chiefs sought refuge on the British warship and their followers sought protection under the guns of the Porpoise. Mataafa's loss was 61 men killed and wounded and Malieto Tanus lost 125 men killed and wounded. The foreign residents were placed under the protection of a detachment of men belonging to the British ship and Chief Justice Chambers and his family went on board of her. The followers of Mataafa looted and burned Apia, destroyed the plantations and pillaged considerably in the country. The Consuls later decided to recognize Mataafa and his chiefs as a provisional government, pending the receipt of instructions from the powers. Dr. Rafael and the German Consul closed the Supreme Court, declaring that the power was vested in them. The British and American Consuls then appealed to the Captain of the British warship Porpoise, who landed a force of bluejackets, and Chief Justice Chambers, under their guard, took his seat. Mataafa held aloof from these last developments. The excitement continues.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

Rebels Burn 40 Houses and Raze the Town of Upolu.

San Francisco, Jan 18—A cablegram to the Call from Auckland, New Zealand, under date of January 15th, says:

When the Oceanic steamship Alameda left Apia on January 12th, a revolution had broken out on the Samoan Islands and was beginning to be waged with much bloodshed and great destruction to property. The warships Falke and Porpoise, the latter under command of Capt. Sturdee, were taking part in suppressing the rebellion. On December 31st, the Chief Justice determined in favor of Malietoa Tanus, claiming Mataafa was barred by the treaty of Berlin. On January 1st, 5,000 Metafias arose in rebellion and defeated 2,000 of Malietoa's men, ambushing them and killing 13 natives and wounding many. The rebels burned 40 houses and razed the town Upolo. The bread fruit trees were cut down in many places. The crew of the Porpoise is guarding the mission as a refuge for Malietos. The Consuls have signed a proclamation recognizing the Mataafa party as the provisional government, pending instructions from the powers, with President Rafael as executive head.

On the sixth instant, Rafael took possession of the supreme court and declared himself Chief Justice. He asked Mataafa for 500 men and was refused. The British and American Consuls united in a strong protest against the action of the President of the Municipal Council. On the 7th Captain Sturdee, of the Porpoise, and the two Consuls declared the action illegal. The Porpoise cleared for action and landed a force of marines. Her force was unapposed and took possession of the court. Chief Justice Chambers was reinstated and the British and American flags were hoisted over Chief Justice Chambers' house and the court house. The provisional governor wrote to Captain Sturdee on the 12th that he would seize Malietoa and take the Amasese off the Porpoise by force if necessary, deprive them of their titles and banish them.

Chambers is living on the Porpoise. The British and American Consuls have protested against any infringements of the Berlin treaty. British residents have taken refuge in their consulate and the American residents have taken refuge in the mission.

EVERYTHING QUIET.

Latest Reports From Manilla Indicate That There is No Trouble.

Washington, Jan 18.—Advices were received from Manila today stating that the situation on the islands was very quiet. The dispatch proved the most gratifying official news recently received from that quarter. It is announced that the people who had moved out of the city of Manila owing to alarming but unfounded reports, were quietly returning to their homes. At Iloilo, affairs are progressing satisfactorily and a gratifying fact, recited in the cablegram, was that the officers aboard the American ships and the individual insurgents were fraternizing freely on shore and that there was no sign of trouble.

ELECTRIC STORMS

EXCITING TIME OF AN ALLAN LINE STEAMSHIP.

Recent Storms Made it Uncomfortable for Steamers in the Atlantic.

Porland, Maine, Jan. 18.—The Allen steamer Sardinian arrived here this morning from Liverpool after a 15 days passage, during which she encountered the tempestuous weather with which other trans-Atlantic steamers have been battling. On Tuesday, Jan. 10th, about 5:30 in the morning, the crew were awakened by a terrific explosion which shook the ship from stern to stern and threw some of the men from their bunks. When they made their way to the deck they were informed that a huge ball of fire had burst only a few feet above the steamer and bad distributed innumerable smaller ones along the rails and masts. The officers on the bridge were blinded and half stunned by the explosion and flash and were thrown violently off their feet. For several minutes excitement prevailed and the anxiety did not abate until the storm subsided.

Queenstown, Jan. 18.—The Hamburg-American liner Alesia, sent word today that she was outside with a broken propeller. Tugs were sent to assist the Alesia, but returned later in the day without having been able to find her, The increasing force of the gale made it necessary for the tugs to seek shelter. It is thought that the Alesia will not approach the Irish coast during the present weather and may be forced up the channel.

Liverpool, Jan. 18.—The British steamer Nasmith, of New York, which arrived at this port yesterday, landed seven members of the crew of the British schooner Caneford, Captain Pike, from Cadiz. on December 9, for St. Johns, Nfld., which was abandoned on January 12, in latitude 47 north and longitude 34 west.

WATER FOR ROSSLAND.

New City Council Takes the Question Under Consideration.

Like Nelson, Rossland is also seeking more water. In the report of the first City Council meeting of the new year the Rossland Miner says:

"The water question was the first thing that the new council considered. A resolution was received from W. F. Tye, engineer for the Columbia and Western, showing that the altitude of Sheep Creek is 4,300 feet while that of Rossland at the Red mountain station is 3,500 feet. The former consequently is 800 feet above the town. Mr. Tye estimated the flow from the lake is 500 miner's inches. Its length he put at three-fourths of a mile and its breadth at a quarter of a mile, while near the shore it is about 10 feet deep. The council with the idea of securing the lake as a source of supply for the new municipal water works, instructed City Engineer Smith to make some preliminary surveys. City Solicitor Abbott was also instructed to take up the water in the city.

EXCLUSION BILL IS NOW IN EFFECT

Received Its Third Reading Yesterday.

THE GOVERNOR ASSENTS

Second Reading of Bill Introducing the Torrens System—McPherson's Contract Labor Bill.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 18—The bill to exclude aliens from placer mines of this province received its third reading this afternoon and was immediately assented to by the Lieutenant Governor, so that it is now in effect.

Attorney General Martin moved the second reading of the bill, introducing the Torrens system of land registration, debate upon which was adjourned.

Mr. MacPherson's bill to render void contracts for labor made by persons in British Columbia with persons residing in other parts of the Dominion, passed through the committee with an addition exempting skilled labor not procurable in this province.

HUME WILL STAY.

Believed Now That he Will Not Resign His Seat.

Victoria, Jan. 18—It is now generally believed that Hon. J. Fred Hume will not resign his seat. When approached today he would say nothing in regard to the situation, neither affirming nor denying the report of his probable resignation. It is understood here that his disqualification—should he be disqualified—arises from the fact that Government vouchers were accepted by the Hume hotel, Nelson, in which he is interested, for the payment of board bills incurred by government employees.

Col. Baker occupied his seat today and will continue to do so. It is understood that he has learned that none of his employes have done any business with the government.

Ex-Premier Turner's resignation was forced because of the fact that the store of Turner, Beeton & Co., Nelson, had some business transactions with the Government Agent, evolving the sale of some blankets.

Government candidates to contest the seats of Messrs. Turner, Hall and McPhillips will be nominated on Friday. The writs were issued today.

SETTLEMENT PROBABLE.

Futher Litigation in Electric Light Matter Not Likely.

The efforts of Mayor Neelands and the city council to secure a settlement of the pending difficulties in regard to the electric light bylaw were favorably commented upon by citizens in general yesterday. Mayor Neelands' prompt action in recommending that a committe be appointed to negotiate a settlement met with approval on all sides.

"If we are going ahead with the construction of the flume," said a citizen yesterday, "we should certainly know as soon as possible where we stand in regard to the plant. There is no use engaging in further litigation if a settlement can be reached and the city is to be congratulated upon having a mayor and council ready to act when action is desired."

That a settlement will be made there is little doubt. The committee appointed by the Mayor has lost no time in getting to work and although nothing definite is known, it is believed that all interested are willing to get together, all, at least, appear to be willing to make concessions and it is quite likely the committee will report at next Monday's meeting of the council that their efforts have been successful.

ESTIMATE IS SMALL.

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—J. R. Booth says that the Ottawa and Georgian Bay canal will cost four times as much as is estimated. If it would cost $50,000,000 then he says that the interest on this amount would lay four tracks on the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway and the road could then handle all the grain from the Canadian Northwest.

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FIRST REFORM OURSELVES.

The opinions of The Toronto Globe on public questions generally are sometimes valuable and sometimes interesting, but what it has to say of Senate reform or Senate abolition is neither valuable nor interesting enough to warrant the expense of telegraphing it across the continent. This is a little fact that Press Agencies for the gathering and distributing of news would do well constantly to keep in mind. The Associated Press would appear to have a correspondent in Toronto who attaches a great deal more importance to the utterances of that paper than do the great majority of newspaper publishers throughout Canada who use their service and are compelled to pay telegraph rates on the transmission of them. Yesterday morning there appeared among The Miner's dispatches a quarter column or so of very sad stuff, taken from that paper and wired broadcast, as if it were of the deepest possible interest to readers all over the Dominion. The Associated Press should take an early occasion to check this imbecile propensity on the part of its Toronto correspondent.

The Globe says that ninety per cent. of the Liberal papers in Ontario favor abolition of the Senate, and that argument on the question is so onesided that Sir John Bourninot's interposition is to be welcomed. This is not in the highest degree complimentary to the Liberal Premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who, in a recent speech, opposed abolition and gave good reasons for doing so. That is a matter, however, which he and The Globe may settle between them. If the argument should appear to be onesided, an explanation of it which may not have occurred to our contemporary is that the majority of Canadian newspapers know very well that the Senate will not be abolished, and therefore there is no great necessity for showing why it should not be. But it is desirable nevertheless that anything like an agitation of the question should be discouraged.

We have no doubt the Toronto paper is quite wrong in the statement that ninety per cent. of Ontario Liberal journals favor abolition. It is doubtful if ten per cent. favor such a policy; but the full ninety may profess to do so just now, and the reason is not far to seek. They join in the present hue and cry against the Senate in the hope and expectation of intimidating it. It is popularly supposed that there will be a Redistribution Bill next session, and as it is expected to partake of the character of a gerrymander there is a fear that the Senate may reject it. If that body could be frightened into the belief that it is to be abolished or reformed, it might consent to let the gerrymander go through, hence all this shouting and beating of tom-toms. To be consistent, the Senate could not object to a gerrymander in itself, for before today it has passed through gerrymanders quite as infamous as any the Liberals can devise. That was for its political friends, however, and the country accepted them quite complacently. It might not be disposed to do as much for the other side; indeed, there is a profound conviction that it will not, but the opposition will not be so much to the redistribution itself as to the time of introducing it. The Senate is understood to claim that there can be a redistribution only after each decennial census, a claim which, if good, would delay the measure until after the expiration of the present Parliament. This is a constitutional question which The Miner does not pretend to be able to settle, although it does not understand why the House of Commons may not at any time rearrange its own constituencies. Be that as it may, however, the pretext will be that the measure is unconstitutional, a question which Parliament itself will have to thresh out. The Senate will reject it. Its motives may be partisan, but the country is not going to demand its abolition merely because it stands in the way of a Liberal gerrymander. There is one only and true way to reform the Senate, and that is by and through the Canadian people reforming themselves, and showing by their conduct that they do not approve of political tricks and rascalities on either side. As long as the political immorality of the day continues, we may expect partisanship in the Senate, for party scheming there will be necessary to meet party scheming in the other House, When our people elect men who will consider all public questions on their merits alone, we shall have a Senate so exemplary as to give pleasure even to The Toronto Globe. To this end let it begin by reforming itself.

The strongest plea in support of the Attorney-General's Bill to seat Mr. Deane and Mr. Prentice was that their constituencies should be given the justice of continuous representation. Before the Bill was passed or even introduced, the Government had knowledge of the death of a member, Mr. Neilson, but so far no steps have been taken to give to his constituency the nearest possible approach to continuous representation. Is the inconsistency to be explained by the fact that the two members seated by Act are Government supporters, while in the other case the constituency is expected to continue Opposition?

A correspondent of a Coast paper suggests that in the reports of the proceedings of the Legislature the names of members should be followed with that of their constituencies, and also with something to indicate their political complexion. So few of the members were ever heard of before that he finds in impossible to gather from the reports who and what they are. We are not sure that it matters greatly, for after the present Legislature expires very few of them will ever be heard of again.

We are under obligation to The Winnipeg Free Press for recalling the fact that the constituency of Macdonald in Manitoba returned a Conservative at the general election, and becoming vacant a few months afterwards elected a Liberal. In return for their kindness we are happy to relieve The Free Press of the necessity of revising its figures, and will take into serious consideration its suggestion that The Miner "purchase a copy of the Parliamentary Guide."

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Deane-Prentice Affairs.

The telegraph tells us that the people are very indignant at this course, and some idea of the extraordinary character of the preceeding may be gathered from the fact that the self-sustaining bill was actually passed and signed by the Lieutenant-Governor before any reply was made to the Speech from the Throne. When the peculiar circumstances under which the Lieutenant-Governor dismissed the late Government to make way for this Ministry when it was by no means certain that it was in a minority, are called to mind in connection with the determined effort to keep this Ministry in power, even the far-away spectator cannot help a feeling of apprehension.—Montreal Star.

Candidly Confessed.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer is particularly annoyed with the Legislature's decision to bar aliens out of the Atlin country. The Post-Intelligencers's annoyance is quite understandable. Thousands on thousands of dollars worth of outfitting business that has heretofore gone to Seattle will now come to Vancouver and Victoria.—Vancouver Province.

Meterological Report,
(Observations taken by A. H. Holdich.

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Jan 13	Friday	34.0	26.0	0.01	27.90
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TRAINS AND STEAMERS ARRIVING AND DEPARTING FROM NELSON.

7:30 a.m.—S. S. Alberta leaves for Kuskonook and way points Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

8:00 a.m.—S.S. Moyie leaves for Kootenay L'd'g and way points Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

9:00 a.m.—Train leaves C. P. R. station for Slocan City, daily except Sunday.

9:40 a.m.—Train leaves N. & F. S. station for Rossland, Spokane and way points daily.

10:05 a.m.—S. S. International arrives from Kaslo and way points daily except Sunday.

11:00 a.m.—S. S. Kokanee arrives from Kaslo and way points daily except Sunday.

2:20 p.m.—Train arrives C. P. R. station, from Slocan City and way points, daily, except Sunday.

4:00 p.m.—S. S. Kokanee leaves for Kaslo and way points, daily, except Sunday.

4:30 p.m.—S. S. International leaves for Kaslo and way points, daily except Sunday.

5:30 p.m.—Train arrives N. & F. S. station, from Spokane, Rossland and way points, daily.

6:50 p.m.—S. S. Moyie arrives from Kootenay L'd'g and way points, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

6:30 p.m.—S. S. Alberta arrives from Kuskonook and way points Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

6:40 p.m.—Train leaves C. P. R. station for Robson, Rossland, and all Main Line points, daily.

10:30 p.m.—Train arrives C. P. R. station, from all Main Line points, Rossland and Robson, daily

Steam tugs Kaslo, Angerona, Red Star, Hercules, Surprise and others ply on Kootenay lake to and from Nelson, but have no regular times of arrival and departure.

Transportation Companies are requested to give notice to the Miner of any alterations in the time of arrival and departure from Nelson.

LODGE MEETINGS.

NELSON LODGE, No. 23. A. F. & A. M. meets second Wednesday in each month. Visiting brethren invited.
G. L. LENNOX, Secretary.

I. O. O. F. Kootenay Lodge No. 16, meets every Monday night, at their Hall, Kootenay street. Sojourning Odd Fellows cordially invited.
A. H. Clements, N. G. Fred J Squires, Sec.y

COURT KOOTENAY, I.O.F., NO. 3138 meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday in each month in the K of P Hall. F W Swanell, C. D. S, C. R.; J R Green, C.R.: J. Parkiss, Secy.

NELSON LODGE, NO. 10 A.O.U.W., meets every Thursday in the I.O.O.F. hall. G C Williams, M.W.: W S Smith, Rec.-Sec.; J. J. Driscoll, Financier; F. J Squire, Receiver, and P. M. W.

NELSON L.O.L. No. 1692 meets in the Mac Donald block every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting members cordially invited.
John Tove, W. M.; F. J. Bradley, R. S.

NELSON LODGE No. 25, K. of P. meets in Castle hall, McDonald block every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. All visiting knights cordially invited.
R. G. Joy, C. C.
(820) GEO. ROSS K. of R. and S.

NELSON LODGE, I. O. G. T. Meets in Castle Hall, McDonald Block, every Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting Templars cordially invited.
JOHN TELFORD, Chief Templar.
J. F. Jacobson Sec'y

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H. R. Cameron, Agent.

Notice of Application for Liquor License.

Take notice that I, Robert Frey, will apply to the Gold Commissioner of West Kootenay, B. C., thirty days after date, for a license to sell liquor by retail at my hotel, located at Mountain Siding, in West Kootenay district.
ROBERT FREY.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 19th day of December, 1898.

The York County Loan & Savings Co., of Toronto.

INCORPORATED 1891.

Subscribed Capital, $3,000,000; Total Assets Paid Dec. 1897, $466,109.92; Net Earnings for '97, $40,530.32. Joseph Phillips, Pres; A. T. Hunter, Vice-Pres; V. Robin, Treasurer; E. Burt, Supervisor.

C. F. BROADHURST, Supt. for Kootenays, Rossland, B. C.

C.L. MILLS, Ag't for Nelson.

Agents will call and explain the system.

QUARTZ MINING SHOULD BE OPEN

Board of Trade Passes a Strong Resolution.

ADVERTISE KOOTENAYS

Government Urged to Make a Mineral Exhibit at Paris in 1900.

The South Kootenay Board of Trade at a meeting last evening put itself on record as being opposed to any legislation having for its object the exclusion of aliens from enjoying quartz mining rights in British Columbia; also that the Government of the Province should spend a sum of money in properly advertising the mineral wealth of British Columbia at the Paris Exposition in 1900 and that the Kootenay Boards of Trade should make an exhibit of ore at the exposition independently of what the Government may do.

There were present, President J. Roderick Robertson, Messrs. W. H. Grant, J. M. Lay, Ald. Chas. Hillyer, A. E. Hodgins, Dr. Arthur, Ald. J. Kirkpatrick, M. DesBrisay, F. W. Peters, A. G. Gamble, G. V. Holt. S. S. Fowler, J. Hirsh, F. W. Swannell, Geo. Kydd, E. A. Crease, W. A. Macdonald and A. H. Kelly.

President Robertson explained that the meeting had been called on account of the general interest taken in the bills before the Provincial Legislature and the possible effect of the passing of the bills making it unlawful for aliens to hold mining property in the Province. Nelson was particularly interested in leaving quartz mining open to all comers. The president thought that alien exclusion legislation would do a great deal of harm in this district by shutting out enterprising strangers who have done much to open the country.

Mr. Holt pointed out that American money had almost entirely opened the country and all we had was due to them. The Englishman generally waited until a property was opened up before he invested his money in it, while the Americans took chances and went ahead in opening up the country.

Mr. Peters thought that it would be out of place for the Board to take up a question like the placer mining which did not at all concern this part of the Province. He did not see that the Board should take action regarding quartz mining as no intimation had been given that such legislation was contemplated. He did not think the Government would bring forward such an amendment. In order to bring the matter to a head he moved, seconded by Mr. Holt:

"That, wheras an act has been introduced, and is now receiving the consideration of the House, having as its object the exclusion of aliens from the rights of holding or operating placer mining claims, and,

"Whereas it is the opinion of this Board that any such legislation as applied to lode or quartz mining claims in British Columbia would be detrimental to the best interests of the Kootenay district, it is therefore resolved that this Board desires to put itself on record as opposed to any such legislation as effecting quartz mineral claims and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Minister of Mines and the Premier of the Province."

There was no further discussion and the resolution carried without a dissenting vote.

The Vancouver Board of Trade asked the endorsation of the Board of a resolution adopted by the Vancouver body urging the Government to appropriate a sum of money not exceeding $50,000 to advertise the Province's mineral richness at the Paris Exposition in 1900.

Mr. Holt moved, and Mr. Fowler secouded, a motion heartily endorsing the resolution of the Vancouver Board. Mr. Fowler made a few remarks in supporting the motion and pointed out that too much value could not be attached to the proper advertising of our mineral wealth. It was necessary to bring the country prominently before the public and no better way than by an exhibit at Paris could well be found. He thought money so spent would be most beneficial to the country.

The resolution carried unaminously. It was further decided that a copy of the resolution regarding alien legislation would be forwarded to the Vancouver, Victoria and Kootenay Boards of Trade for endorsation.

Mr. Peters thought that the Boards of Trade of the Kootenays should make an effort to make an exhibit on their own behalf at the Paris Exposition in addition to what the Government might do. The Kootenays, he said were most interested in the matter and should make a creditable showing.

The following resolution was unanimously carried on motion of Messrs. Kydd and Grant;

"That it is of the greatest importance to the mineral interests of British Columbia that a mineral exhibit be sent to the Paris Exposition and that in the opinion of this Board it is necessary that the Government of the Province afford financial assistance in carrying this out. Be it therefore resolved that a committee composed of the President and Messrs. Macdonald, Fletcher and the Secretary be authorized to draft suitable letters to other Kootenay and B. C. Boards of Trade with the object of obtaining their co-operation in getting such exhibit together and inducing the Government to give necessary aid."

A. W. McVitly, Secretary of the Fort Steele Board of Trade wrote asking the Board to memorialize the Government on the Crow's Nest mail service. The Nelson Board has already taken a stand on this matter and a copy of the resolution will be sent to Fort Steele.

The meeting then adjourned.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

E. C. Davison of the Yuengling Brewing Co., Trail, was in Nelson yesterday.

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Mr. P. F. Richardson, representing George L. Allen & Co., Vancouver, is at the Hume.

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The Bank of Hamilton will open up its first British Columbia branch in Vancouver some time in February.

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The Cascade Record of last week says: A letter was actually received from Nelson in four days' time this week!

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Mr. W. A. Macdonald, Q. C., has returned to Nelson after a few days spent in the Slocan country and further north.

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Albert Barrett, one of Rossland's newly elected aldermen, has failed to qualify and another election is a probability.

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Mr. G. M. McDowell, who is putting in the sampling works at Roseberry, left with Mrs. Mrs. McDowell for Victoria yesterday.

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At the Board of Trade meeting last evening two members happened to mention that it took 12 to 15 days to receive letters from Cranbrook.

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Electors have been quite busy of late getting their names put on the Provincial voters's list. Application blanks can be procured at the Recorder's office.

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George S. Jaquith, representing Warwick Bros. & Rutter, of Toronto; W. E. Davidson, of Nerlich & Co., Toronto, and George Buscomb, of J. A. Skinner & Co., Vancouver, are among the commercial travellers in the city.

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Free Press, Winnipeg:—After eleven years' service with the Hudson's Bay Company here, Mr. C. McGinn leaves today to fill a position in their store at Nelson, B. C. Before leaving his fellow employees presented him with an address and a very handsome gold watch.

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City Engineer McCulloch had four men at work on Victoria street yesterday in an effort to locate the freeze-up in the water main. In one of the test holes the water in the pipe was found to be frozen and other holes will be dug today and fires built to thaw out the pipe. It is possible that water will be turned on by tonight.

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There has been quite a movement in Baker street real estate within the past few days. Following the purchase of a lot near the Hudson's Bay Co.'s store by City Engineer McCulloch from W. P. Tierney for $4,000 comes the sale of the 30-foot lot where the Vienna Bakery now stands, by Hon. J. Fred Hume to Robert Hurry for $3,000. Real estate in Nelson is active at present.

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R. B. Porter, of Porter Bros., Brooklyn, is in Nelson. Mr. Porter is engaged in laying the steel and building bridges on the line of the Robson-Penticton road out of Robson. To a Miner reporter he said that the work was now necessarily progressing slowly on account of the snow and the weather. It would be some time next summer before his part of the work would be completed.

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S. Parrish, produce merchant of Rossland, was in Nelson yesterday on his way home from Edmonton. Mr. Parrish invested in Edmonton property a little over two years ago and it was to look after his interests that the recent visit was made. "I built an $8,000 block there two years and a half ago," said Mr. Parrish to a Miner reporter," and for a year did not have a tenant. Eighteen months ago, however, the block commenced to fill up and now every room in it is occupied. The town is growing prosperous again and although for a time I despaired of ever realizing anything, I am now well satisfied."

WORK ON THE FLUME.

It Will be Rushed as Rapidly as Possible Until Completed.

Work on the electric light flume was re-commenced in earnest yesterday. City Engineer McCulloch put more men on the work and instructed the foreman to rush it through as rapidly as possible. The lumber ordered from Gray's mill and the Salmo mill will be shipped to Summit Siding as quickly as possible. Mayor Neelands yesterday sent out a big supply of provisions to the boarding house in which those who are working on the flume live. This was in response to a request which was received on Monday.

This morning the Mayor and several of the Aldermen will visit the scene of the flume in company with the City Engineer.

THROWN INTO A PANIC.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Several hundred men and women, employed in a big building at 153 Market street, were thrown into a panic today by a fire which broke out on the fourth floor. Although no one was injured, many had narrow escapes. The structure was occupied by a number of makers of gentlemen's furnishing goods and hats. The loss sustained aggregates $100,000.

DEPARTED FOR VANCOUVER.

Hong Kong, Jan. 18.—The Canadian Pacific Railway's steamship "Empress of China" left Hong Kong at noon today for Vancouver, B. C.

AT THE HOTELS.

Hume—R. H. McKer, Pilor Bay; W. E. Davidson, Toronto; C. A. Wing, Oro; Mrs. E. E. Orchard and son, Seattle; P. F. Richardson, F. J. Gavin, Vancouver; Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Boyle, New York; John Cholditch, Nakusp; James McGregor, C. A. Carmen, F. J. Stephens, Vancouver.

Phair—C. J. Kirkham, P. O. Peterson, Thos. Johnson, Spokane; G. A. Farini, Oro; James Kidd, Listowel; C. E. Fradgley, Ymir; D. H. Harrington, New Denver.

Queen's—S. Perrit, Rossland; D. E. Clark, Pilot Bay; Thomas Kane, Erie; David Black, Sandon; A. Williamson, D. Collins, Brooklyn; Jas. Knox, Arrowhead.

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Notice of Application for Liquor License.

Take notice that we, J. F. and Geo. Joyce, will apply to the Gold Commissioner of West Kootenay, B. C., thirty days after date, for a license to sell liquor by retail at our hotel, located at Fisher, 15 miles from Kuskonook, in the West Kootenay district.

J. F. & GEO. JOYCE.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 23rd day of December, 1898.

MISCELLANEOUS

MUSIC LESSONS.—On piano organ or guitar, by Mrs. W. J. Astley, Robson street two doors west of Stanley. P. O. Box 130.

FOR SALE—Complete outfit of good housekeeping furniture for small family. Apply at this office.

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We Have just received another consignment of these famous **Life and Limb Savers.** Call early. They won't last long.

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Bridgewater, N. S.	Montreal, P. Q.	Summerside, P. E. I.
Charlottetown, P. E. I.	Montreal, West End	Sydney, N. S.
Dorchester, N. B.	Montreal, Westmount	St. John, Nfld.
Fredericton, N. B.	Nanaimo, B. C.	Truro, N. S.
Guysboro, N. S.	Nelson, B. C.	Vancouver, B. C.
Grand Forks, B. C.	Newcastle, N. B.	Vancouver, East End
Halifax, N. S.	Pictou, N. S.	Victoria, B. C.
Kingston, N. B.	Port Hawksbury, N. S.	Weymouth, N. S.
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Lunenberg, N. S.		Ymir, B. C.

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Geo. Kydd, Manager, Nelson, B.C.

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Short Order Meals

At Any Time—Day or Night.

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The Best Attention.
The Best Meals.

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND—Matin 11 a.m.; Even Song, 7.30 p.m. every Sunday. Holy Communion on 1st and 3rd Sundays in the month after Matins; on 2nd and 4th Sundays, at 8 a.m. Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. Rev. H. S. Akehurst, Rector. Cor Ward and Silica streets.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Services at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 p.m.; Christian Endeavor Society meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. R. Frew, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH—Corner Silica and Josephine Streets. Services at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sabbath School, 2.30 p.m.; Prayer meeting on Friday evening at 8 o'clock; Epworth League C. E., Tuesday at 8 a.m. Rev. John Robson, Pastor.

CATHOLIC CHURCH—Mass at Nelson, first and third Sunday at 8 and 10.00 a.m.; Benediction at 7.30 to 8 p.m. Rev. Father Ferland Priest.

BAPTIST CHURCH — Services morning and evening at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. the B. Y. P. U. Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Strangers cordially welcomed. Rev. C. W. Rose, Pastor

SALVATION ARMY—Services every evening at 8 o'clock in barracks on Victoria street. Adjutant Millner in charge.

THE VANCOUVER MINERAL CLAIM.

SITUATE IN THE AINSWORTH MINING DIVISION OF WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT—WHERE LOCATED:—ONE AND A QUARTER MILES FROM BEAR LAKE AND HALF A MILE FROM THE KASLO TRAIL.

TAKE notice that I, Wilfrid Francis Brougham, F. M. C. No. 2156, agent for Charles Kingsley Milbourne, F. M. C. No. 1930A, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 10th day of December, 1898.

W. F. BROUGHAM.

TIME TABLE FOR CLOSING OF MAILS AT POST OFFICE.

Mail for	Spokane; Victoria; Rossland Winnipeg; Vancouver and all Eastern Points.	8 a.m
"	Nakusp; Slocan Lake; Sandon; Vancouver, Winnipeg, Main Line, O.P.R.	8 p.m
"	Rossland; Trail, Robson and Points on C. & K. Ry.	6 p.m
"	Kaslo and Lake Points.	4 p.m.
"	Kuskonook and Creston Monday and Friday 7:30 a.m	

JAMES GILKER,
Postmaster.

AN ENCHANTED GROVE.

Buzzing Bees That Cannot Be Found and a Mysterious Hammering.

Away back in the fifties there was a Shawnee Indian village on the South Canadian river, about 85 miles west of South McAlester, but the old village has long since disappeared. On the spot where the young Shawnee buck sang his kiowala to his dusky maiden and courted his best girl by the light of the full moon only an occasional rock hearth and a few graves are left to indicate the former hunting grounds of the red man.

Near the old village site now lives a white man. Just on the border of this man's farm is a spot which seems to have been the thickest settled part of the Shawnee village, and here is a grove of black oak trees. In this grove are two very large post oak trees, one in the south and one in the north end of the grove. In the grove can be heard most any day the buzzing of a swarm of bees so plainly that the noise has fooled many old bee hunters, but all their search has never revealed a single bee.

Now comes the most peculiar part of this most peculiar tale. The large post oak tree standing at the north end of the grove is the curiosity of the bunch, for not long ago a young man, hearing of the bees, went to the spot and proceeded to look carefully up each tree in the grove until he came to the north tree. He was within two feet of this tree, looking up, when he heard a noise just like a carpenter at work nailing on boards, and the noise seemed to come from the tree. He went around it several times trying to locate the hammering, but it still seemed to come from the tree. The hammering continued until he happened to touch the tree with his hand, when it suddenly stopped. The man then went away amazed. A day or so afterward this man had occasion to again pass that way. He slipped up to the tree and listened for the hammering, and, sure enough, it was as plain as ever. He touched the tree with the end of his finger, and, as before, the noise stopped at once. This man and several others have tried touching the tree several times since, with the same result.

They say that the humming of bees and the curious hammering can be heard any day, but no one has been able to explain the mysteries of this enchanted grove.—Galveston News.

STAYING HOME FROM SCHOOL.

Being a Short Chapter From the History of Little Susan Gratebar.

"I'm not going to school this morning," says little Susan Gratebar, and Mamma Gratebar, indulgent ever, makes no objection, for the rain is falling very heavily, the sky is dark, the wind northeast—a rainy day.

And so a leisurely breakfast for little Susan, a glance at the clock now and then as the school hour approaches, and a sense of pleasure as it passes and leaves her here at home instead of finding her in her accustomed place at school. For this is a break in the routine, a relief from school and studies, a novelty, for home to her in these unaccustomed hours seems strange, just as to any of us any familiar thing will seem strange when seen in any other than its familiar relations to other things.

And Susan reads and plays games with her little brother and walks about the house, and finally gets a little tired of it all, as any of us would, for we all, old and young, need for our welfare some regular employment—to have, as the saying is, our minds occupied. And presently little Susan gets interested in the weather. There's a thin place in the clouds, as there often is even on the rainiest days, and by comparison the sky lightens up a good deal. Then Susan says to her mother:

"Do you think it's going to clear off?"

But Mrs. Gratebar, older than Susan and wiser in the weather as in other things, says she hardly thinks so yet, and, sure enough, ten minutes later it has shut in blacker than ever and the rain falls more and more heavily. And so it goes, the whole day long—a rainy day—and Susan doesn't go to school at all. She stays in the house, and it gets pretty irksome before nightfall.

But some time in the night the wind changes and comes out from the northwest. The storm has passed, the sun shines brightly, and little Susan is up and off to school bright and early and glad to go.

She Had Her Way.

"I shall have to ask you for a ticket for that boy, ma'am."

"I guess not."

"He's too old to travel free. He occupies a whole seat, and the car's crowded. There are people standing up."

"That's all right."

"I haven't time to argue the matter, ma'am. You'll have to pay for that boy."

"I've never paid for him yet, and I'm not going to begin now."

"You've got to begin some time. If you haven't had to put up fare for him, you're mighty lucky or else you don't do much traveling."

"That's all right."

"You'll pay for that boy, ma'am, or I'll stop the train and put him off."

"That's all right. You put him off if you think that's the way to get anything out of me."

"You ought to know what the rules of this road are, ma'am. How old is that boy?"

"I don't know. I never saw him before. If you want a ticket for him, you'd better ask that old gentleman down the aisle. He got on with him."

A Novel Advertisement.

A Russian shopkeeper with an eye to immediate returns is said to have posted an announcement to the effect that the reason he had hitherto sold so cheaply was that he was unmarried and did not need profit for the maintenance of a wife and family. The advertisement closed as follows:

"It is now my duty to inform the public that this advantage will shortly be withdrawn from them, as I am about to be married. They will therefore do well to make their purchases at once at the old rate."

The result was that there was such a run on the shop that in the course of a few days the shopkeeper had made enough money to pay the expenses of his wedding.—Argonaut.

Rhubarb as a Garden Crop.

One of the garden crops that thoroughly understands how to take care of itself is rhubarb. If planted in earth that is not very dry, it will continue for many years without receiving any particular attention. It is, however, very fond of high living, and those who desire to have large and succulent stalks should give a good top dressing of manure every season.—Meehan's Monthly.

Sub scribe for The Miner

MINES OF KOOTENAY

Mining Stock Quotations.

ompiled by H. G. McCulloch, mining brok- Nelson, B. C., P. O. box 465.]

Name of Company	Par Value.	Price Asked
Nelson, Slocan and Ainsworth		
American Boy	1 00	6
Athabasca	1 00	42
Arlington Con	1 00	6
Dundee	1 00	28
Dardanelles	1 00	11
Dellie	1 00	10
Elsie	1 00	—
Exchequer	1 00	74
Fern G. M. Co	25	55
Gibson	1 50	10
Hall Mines	£1	68
Idler	1 00	10
London Hill	25	25
Nelson-Poorman	25	45
Kaslo Montezuma	1 00	25
Noble Five	1 00	17
Rambler Con	1 00	25
Reco	1 00	1 20
Slocan Star	50	1 25
Two Friends	30	10
Wonderful	1 00	5
Washington	1 00	10
Trail Creek		
Butte	1 00	1½
Caledonia Con	1 00	5
Commander	1 00	13
Deer Park	1 00	21
Enterprise	1 00	10
Eureka Consolidated	1 00	9
Evening Star	1 00	5½
Georgia	1 00	3
Good Hope	1 00	2
Grand Prize	1 00	4
Giant	1 00	5
High Ore	1 00	2½
Iron Mask	1 00	95
Iron Colt	1 00	10½
Jumbo	1 00	47
Lily May	5 00	19½
Mayflower	1 00	6
Monita	1 00	10
Monte Cristo	1 00	10
Mugwump	1 00	3
Novelty	1 00	5
Phoenix	1 00	5
Poorman	1 00	13
Red Mountain View	1 00	1
Rossland Homestake	1 00	5
Rossland Red Mountain	1 00	21
Silverine	1 00	4½
Silver Bell	1 00	5
St. Elmo	1 00	5
Virginia	1 00	47
Victory-Triumph	1 00	9½
War Eagle Con	1 00	3 20
West Le Roi Josie	1 00	27
White Bear	1 00	8
Miscellaneous.		
Alpha Bell	1 00	7
Cariboo (Camp McK)	1 00	1 50
Waterloo (Camp McK)	1 00	7½
Cariboo Hydraulic Con	5 00	95
Channe	25	8
Golden Cache	1 00	5
Occ. M. & M. Co	1 00	—
Old Ironsides	1 00	—
Smuggler	1 00	19
Tin Horn	25	12
Van Anda	1 00	4½
Winchester	25	12
Fire Mountain	1 00	—

New York, Jan, 18.—Bar silver 58 5-8. Silver certificates 59 1-2 to 60 1-2. Lead strong, brokers $4 00, exchange $4.22 1-2 to $4 27 1-2. Copper strong, brokers 13 3-4, exchange 14 3-8 to 14 5 8. Tin strong, straits $22.20 to 22 40. Plates firm.

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The Kootenay manager of one of the largest American exploration companies operating in British Columbia has handed to The Miner the following article upon the Alien Placer Bill, which will be of great interest not only to mining men, but to readers in general. It was written before the bill received its third reading.

"Never before in the history of British Columbia has a Government measure stirred the interest and temper of the Pacific slope like the Alien Placer bill. The suddenness of its conception, the ease with which is has slid through a second reading without serious opposition, the piercing effect of its enactment into law all indicated that the Province was as fully prepared for such a measure as the Americans were unprepared for it. At Seattle and Tacoma the indignation and protest has taken the form of a blue flame which is rapidly spreading to all centres of business on the coast. Through the efforts of the Chambers of Commerce of the Puget Sound cities the matter is already officially before the Washington State Legislature now in session at Olympia. Since it became apparent the bill was likely to become a law without debate, the wires to Washington, Ottawa and London have been kept white hot in an effort to secure a postponement until the proposed Legislation can be examined with that degree of scrutiny which its far reaching importance demands. The Americans request this as a matter of justice, being the parties against whom the act is specially directed, and promise, if given the opportunity, to make up a case which will remove the entire foundation upon which the bill is popularly supposed to rest. "The Alien Placer Act", is the first movement of certain corporate influence in Canada looking toward the absolute exclusion of foreign competition in the Dominion. The scope of the idea is by no means signified by the present measure but this is the premonitory symptom of it. In it are included exclusion from vetal as well as auriferous deposits to say nothing of an extension of the system to the commercial and carrying trade. The people of British Columbia have evidently not been let into the secret of this measure which was let upon the stage for the first act in the form of a retaliatory harlequio, appealing with patriotic pride for popular support.

"Without going into the moral aspect of retaliatory legislation, the bearing of such a spirit in good wholesome laws, becomes simply a question whether the British people of British Columbia will enjoy the anomalous distinction of placing on the statutes a law founded on an utter misapprehension unwittingly giving legal force to corporate greed at the expense of not only the people of this Province but at the expense of a friendly and neighboring people as well.

"Upon what is this proposed alien bill retaliating? Upon an absolete act of the American congress—no longer in force—abrogated by the free will of the American people before the riches of the far north land were uncovered. The alien act of the United States was amended in March, 1897, and this is the law of the land now:

"'This act shall not be construed to prevent any persons not citizens of the United States from acquiring or holding lots or parcels of lands in any incorporated or platted city, town or village, or to any mine or mineral claim, or in any of the territorities of the United States.—Fifty-fourth Congress, Sess. II., Chap. 363.'

"Inquiries at Republic, Wash., have already shown that some of the claims have been staked and are now owned by British subjects, and on the American side of the 49th meridian there are many auriferous holdings by British subjects. Notwithstanding the popular belief to the contrary all through the mining districts of the United States every miner has equal rights without respect to his nationality.

"This is article II, section 33 of the constitution of the neighboring State of Washington:

"'The ownership of lands by aliens, other than those who in good faith have become citizens of the United States, is prohibited in this state, except when acquired. * * * Provided that the provisions of this section shall not apply to lands containing valuable deposits of minerals, metals, iron, coal or fire-clay, and the necessary land for mills and machinery to be used in the development the eof and the manufacture of the products therefrom.'

"Now what are you going to retaliate against? A popular delusion, a myth? Is it to be presumed that the eminent members of the Provincial assembly are legislating in the dark or must we assume some other motive for their action? We are almost driven to the latter conclusion. There can be no retaliation, least of all among English speaking people, without adequate cause. And when the cause is absolutely non-existant, fanciful or imaginary, where it presumed to base vital legislation on such an airy foundation, we are perfeclty justified in turning the search light of inquiry in some other direction. The repeated prayers and petitions of the people of British Columbia for the Corbin railway system were defeated by the cry of "Canada for the Canadians." Can it be possible to lead the people again into a paradox by a similiar ruse?

"No measure of praise is sufficient reward for the independent and manly course of The Miner in opposing such hasty legislation from a moral standpoint and in the midst of a sadly misinformed and mistaken sentiment. It is just such independence which causes the suicide to pause on the brink and infuses into his life renewed hope and sunshine.

"After all it does not matter much whether gold is discovered by an American, Englishman, German or Italian. The country developed got the benefit and the world gets the benefit. What would have happened if such restrictive laws were enacted before gold was discovered?"

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Sandon, Jan. 18.—The Ruth Mines will begin work on their concentrator this week.

A new vein has been struck on the Slocan Star property this week.

The Reco mine is continuing the shipment of high grade ores and is pushing the new developement work.

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Silverton, B C., Jan 18—There arrived on the wharf at Silverton yesterday morning, sacked and ready for shipment, 32 tons of ore from the neighboring mines. The wharf is now completely stocked with ore sacks.

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A transfer was made yesterday of a one half interest in the Kattie H. from William Connelly of Rossland to P. Corliss of Rossland. The Kattie H. is situated on the North Fork of the Salmon river.

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NEW LOCATIONS.

Jan. 6—

Cracker—On Rover creek 3 1-2 miles from Kootenay river, Geo. Dixon,

Dixie—1-2 mile s of Kootenay river, Louis Hartwig.

Emma G—West side of Rover creek, 3 1-2 miles of Kootenay river, John Rowell.

Jan. 16—

Tamarack Fru—On Salmon river, R. W. Bacon.

Jan. 18—

Major—On Blue Dog mountain, adj. Big Tunnel, W. H. Cooper and Joseph Young.

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Oro, Jan. 17—The camp of Oro, B.C. was enlivened Tuesday evening on the occasion of an impromptu gathering by the employees of the Oro Gold Mining Co. Their popular superintendent C. A. Wing had tendered his resignation to the company some time ago but was not relieved until yesterday when Mr. Farin from Toronto came to take charge of the company's various mining enterprises. The employees started the evening's entertainment by meeting in the dining room of the company's hotel Mr. Wing was sent for and an address was delivered by W. A. Chesley on behalf of those present. Mr. D. J. McNally, the mill builder, was made chairman and after a brief address of thanks from Mr. Wing, Mr. Fairn followed in a pleasant vein with several witty stories. In addition to the address Mr. Wing was presented with a handsome gold watch.

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[Signed] GEORGE W. BEALS.

Dated January 12th, 1899.

NOTICE.

All parties are cautioned against buying Reco Mining and Milling Company, Limited, Stock Certificates Nos. 242, 243, 244, 245 and 246, in favor of L. E. Hauk; No. 247 in favor of L. Peterson, and No. 248 in favor of S. T. Arthur. Said certificates were obtained by fraud and will not be redeemed.

F. T. KELLY, Secretary.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Take notice that I, Robert Meehan, will apply to the Gold Commissioner of West Kootenay, B. C., thirty days after date, for a license to sell liquor by retail at my hotel, located at Sirdar, 15 miles from Kuskonook, in the West Kootenay district. ROBERT MEEHAN.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 1st day of December, 1898. 949

NOTICE OF APPLICATION.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, at its next session, for an act to declare the Bedlington and Nelson Railway Company to be a body corporate and politic within the jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada, and the Company's Railway to be a work for the general advantage of Canada, also to authorize the Company to exercise running powers over, and to the use and operation of the property of other railway companies and to make such arrangements for conveying or leasing the Company's Railway and its rights and powers as is usually given to railway companies in their Acts of Incorporation, and for other purposes.

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