Nelson Daily Miner.

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THE STATEMENTS WERE MISLEADING

All City Books Will Be Audited.

COUNCIL SO DECIDES

Finance Committee Proposes to Increase the Tax On Wholesale Houses. Other Business.

"Your Committee finds that the published statement of receipts and expenditures for the past year is incorrect and misleading and in order that the books of the committee may be put right and kept in a businesslike manner, they recommend that an audit be made of the City book of accounts for the year ending Dec. 31, 1898."

The above was a portion of the report of the Finance Committee to the City Council in weekly session last night. In connection with it the Mayor was authorized to employ an auditor to do the work as quickly as possible, and to report to the City Council as soon as the audit was completed.

There were present at last night's meeting Mayor Neelands, Ald. Fletcher, Beer, McKillop, Kirkpatrick, Hillyer, and City Solicitor Galliher. The report of the Finance Committee was first presented. In addition to the reference to former financial statements there was a recommendation that Reisterer & Co. and Gosnell & Co. be compelled to take out licenses to sell fermented liquor by wholesale, as provided for in bylaw No. 8. The license is $100 a year. There was also a recommendation that express companies and loan and investment companies, doing business in Nelson, be taxed $25 every six months, necessitating an amendment to by-law No. 8. The committee went still further with a recommendation that the tax on wholesale houses be raised from $10 every six months to $25, the limit provided in the Municipal Act. This will require an amendment to subsection 9 of section 1 of by-law No. 8.

In a supplementary report the committee recommended that a rebate of 25 per cent off ordinary rates and 33⅓ per cent off night rates be allowed to all electric light consumers during the month of February.

Another clause of the report was: "Your committee also recommend that in future accounts against the City (other than pay roll) be considered by the Finance Committee only at the first meeting of each month."

The report was adopted in its entirety.

Letters were read from J. J. Campbell, of the Hall Mines, and John A. Turner, Government agent, in regard to the burial of men from the Silver King Mine who had been brought to Nelson for treatment and who had died here. There was a question as to whether the City or the Province should stand the expense of the funerals, and to get at the bottom of the matter the City Clerk was instructed to send to Mr. Turner bills for the expenses of burying two miners who had recently died in the City, and in addition the City Solicitor was instructed to write to the Attorney General of the Province in regard to the burial of paupers.

A communication from Adolph Lapoint asked as to his chances of securing a hotel license, and in reply the City Clerk was instructed to say that as there were no vacant licenses nothing could be done.

The report of Dr. La Bau, Health Officer, which was laid over from the last meeting, was referred for consideration to a committee consisting of Ald. Fletcher, Beer and Kirkpatrick.

W. R. McLean and others protested in a letter against the action of the Council regarding their application for a site on the water front. It appeared that the lot wanted by Mr. McLean and his associates was property of the C.P.R. and the Council took no action in the matter, other than filing the communication.

The Council endorsed the petition of the residents of the eastern portion of the city asking for better school facilities, and the City Clerk was instructed to write to the Minister of Education in regard to the matter.

Mr. P. J. Russell, on behalf of the Parsons Produce Co., and Mr. Frank B. Gibbs, of the Brackman & Ker Milling Co., presented a communication to the Council asking that the grade be established on Front street, as both companies were about to build warehouses and desired to begin work at as early a date as possible. The Board of Works and City Engineer McCulloch were instructed to establish the grade.

Ald. Hillyer then presented the following resolution:

Whereas it is believed than an order of the Reverend Sisters of the Catholic church, will build and operate a General Hospital, in the City of Nelson, if assisted by the Government of British Columbia.

And whereas, there is an urgent necessity for the same in the interests of the people of Kootenay.

Therefore resolved, That, this Council are of the opinion, that an appropriation should be made by the Government of British Columbia, of at least $6000 towards the construction of such hospital; and that block 49 in the said City of Nelson should be given to such order of the Reverend Sisters for the purpose of a site for said hospital; and further that an annual allowace should be made, after the first year, to the said hospital, on a basis to be arranged, for the support, maintenance and care of the destitute sick other than those of the City of Nelson and other municipalities, on the conditions following, to wit:

(a) The Reverend Sisters to keep the destitute sick of the Nelson Riding, other than those of the City of Nelson, for one year free of charge.

(b) All Government monies to be paid out and controlled under instructions of the Governor-in-Council, by Commissioners to be appointed by the Governor-in-Council, said Commissioners to be at liberty at all times to inspect said hospital.

(c) The first cost of the building to be not less than $15,000.

After some discussion the resolution was adopted, Ald. Beer alone voting in the negative.

The question of the salary of the City Solicitor was referred to the Council in committee of the whole and will be brought up at a special meeting next Wednesday.

WINNIPEG LOSES

MONTREAL VICTORIAS RETAIN THE STANLEY CUP.

The Trustees Took No Action Regarding the Protest of the Winnipeg Victorias.

Montreal, Feb. 20.—The Trustees of the Stanley Cup refuse to take any action in regard to the protest of the Winnipeg Victorias against the decision of the referee last Saturday evening. Consequently, the Montreal Victorias retain the cup, winning two straight matches from Winnipeg, and are champions of the world. The decision of the Trustees is not at all popular with the majority of hockeyists here, as a great number of people support the contention of the Winnipeggers that the decision of the referee should be reversed. On every side are heard expression of regret that such an unfortunate incident should terminate the struggle between the two best hockey teams in the world. The undoubted effect of the decision will be to put an end to all contests between the West and East for the possession of the championship cup. The Winnipeg players think they have been unfairly treated, and they will let the East remain in undisputed possession of the trophy and the small honor attached to winning it by the rank decision of a referee. On none of their repeated visits to Montreal have the Winnipeggers been treated like an aggregation of gentlemen coming so far would expect to be, and certainly nothing like the Montreal Victorias were on their only visit to Winnipeg, a couple of years ago, when the Prairie Capital fairly outdid itself in paying the visitors every possible attention.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Mr. Phillip D. Armour has given $750,000 more to the endowment fund of the Armour Institute of this city. This makes his total gift to the Institute $2,250,000.

ADJOURNS TO MEET ON AUGUST SECOND

The Joint High Commission Suspends Work.

MAKES A STATEMENT

The Alaskan Boundary Dispute Was the Question That Could Not Be Settled.

Washington, Feb. 20.—The American-Canadian High Joint Commission, after a session today, adjourned to meet at Quebec, August 2, unless the chairman of the respective committees agree upon another date. The Commission first began its labors nearly six months ago in Canada and has, with the exception of probably a month, been earnestly at work endeavoring to accomplish the object for which it was appointed—an agreement, with a view to the formulation of a treaty covering the many perplexing questions of differences affecting the business interests of the United States and Canada existing between them. There were several reasons which prompted the action taken today. From a statement made public with the sanction of the two Commissions it appears that there were serious differences of opinion between them regarding the important matter of the delimination of the Alaskan boundary, the Canadians in this connection being anxious to obtain a seaport on the Lynn canal so that its shippers would not be subjected to petty annoyances which they asserted they experienced at the hands of United States officials. The time for the meeting of the Canadian Parliament, at which the presence of members of the Commission from that country is desired, is overdue and the latter are anxious to return as soon as possible. It also became apparent that there was little likelihood of the possibility of the ratification by the United States, at its present session, of any treaty, which might be framed which also probably figured in the decision to adjourn. A dozen important questions were referred to the Commission for its consideration and the Commissioners assert that substantial progress in the settlement and adjustment of many of them has been made.

Probably those which have given the most serious trouble and proved a stumbling block to a final agreement on all, have been the two relating to the lumber and Alaskan boundary question, on both of which the Canadians have demanded concessions which the Americans feel it would be prejudicial to the best interests of the United States to grant. It was felt also that an adjournment for a few months might result in a better prospect for harmony, and a disposition on the part of the Canadians to agree to propositions made to them from the Commissioners on this side of the boundary line. Senator Fairbanks, the chairman of the American Commission, has repeatedly stated there was no basis of the reports of a rupture in the relations of the two bodies and tonight supplemented this by saying that they were on the best of terms. On behalf of their respective Commissions, Senator Fairbanks, the Chairman of the American body, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, acting chairman, in the absence of Lord Herschel, of the Canadian body, made the following public statement respecting the action taken today: "The Commission adjourned to meet at Quebec, August 2, unless the chairman of the respective Commissions shall agree upon another date. The Commission has made very substantial progress in the settlement and adjustment of many of the questions upon which it has been earnestly engaged. But it has been unable to agree upon the settlement of the Alaskan boundary. This problem has been complicated and a difficult one, but the Commissioners, acting in the utmost friendliness and cordiality, have been unable to agree upon a satistactory adjustment. The difficulties, apart from the immediate delimitation of this boundary by the Commission itself, arise from the conditions under which it might be referred to arbitration.

"The British Commissioners desired

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BERESFORD TALKS ABOUT "OPEN DOOR"

English Commerce Commissioner Speaks at Buffalo.

MORE TRADE IN CHINA

He Says That England Does Not Want Dominion.—Invites United States to Help.

Buffalo, Feb. 20—One of the largest meetings the Buffalo Merchants' Exchange ever held was that at noon today when Lord Charles Beresford addressed the business men of Buffalo. The big room was jammed to its fullest capacity at 12 o'clock and 15 minutes later a long line of people were standing in the corridors. Lord Beresford arrived at 12:05 and was given an enthusiastic reception. President Haines of the Merchant's Exchange introduced him in a brief speech. He said it gave him great pleasure to introduce such a distinguished visitor, who would talk on trade relations of the far East. Lord Beresford expressed gratitude for the invitation extended to him to address the Merchant's Exchange.

"You have asked my views of China. The Associated Chambers of Commerce of Great Britain sent me to see about invested capital, trade possibilities and condition of affairs there generally. I regard it as a great compliment to be sent to that far away country. I went into the questions very fully. Trade with China has been increasing. It increased some last year but at present there is no security for further developments. Going through trade statistics with American, German, Japanese and other gentlemen who are doing business in China, I found the trade was really confined to America, England, Germany and Japan."

Lord Beresford prefaced his remarks with an allusion to the courtesy and kindness with which he has been received by the people of this country, saying that the memory of his experiences would be very pleasant. He said that he had been asked to make many addresses. In reality, he had come here to learn something, not to be asked questions. The speaker outlined the reasons for his visit to this and other countries. He stated that he had been sent by the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Great Britain to learn whether there would be any chances of furthering commercial interests in China, what security there was for invested capital and what opportunities lay in the future. As a result of his observations he had found that business and trade in China had increased during the past year, that there was no security for the development of trade and commerce, that there was no security offered to capital by the police and Government systems now in vogue.

"I find," said the speaker, "from consultation with representatives of the United States, Germany and Japan, that trade with China is confined to those three countries, together with my own. If some guarantee can be brought about by those four nations, there is a future. Omit France and Russia from the list out of no lack of courtesy or respect for them. But their interests are not now what the interests of the four are.

"I find that the country of China is wealthy. The surface has not been scratched. It has a poor Government, but good land. The people are honest and trustworthy. From the banking interests and merchants I hear that the Chinese are honest traders and their word is as good as their bond, but the people are easily led. When properly led, clothed and fed they make excellent citizens. I believe that your views are the same as ours in England, because the trade and commerce of the two great nations are interested in China, the whole interests of the whole countries are involved. The two great nations must take the initiative. Now the 'open door' policy expresses simply a wish to insure matters for the future as they now are under the present treaty, the fair and free field for all. It is no policy to maintain territorial rights. The 'open door' policy in China is impossible unless China is kept in its integrity. The first step to be taken is to put the Chinese army on a firm footing. It is no question whether China will fall to pieces from outside interference, the question is whether she will fall to pieces through her own effectiveness. I have suggested that the four countries have a right, because of the vested capital of their citizens, to demand that the Chinese army be put in condition and we can say that we can help her by sending her some of our commissioned and non-commissioned officers. Russia may say to us that we aim for dominion—that England aims at dominion. But we deny that. If England aimed at dominion would I be here inviting three other great and powerful nations to go in with us for developing the future trade and commerce of China? All we want is an army of sufficient discipline to preserve China's integrity.

"Then we must rearrange the Government. People will tell me that the present order of things would be difficult to upset. I say that it would be easy. In China there is no religious fanaticism. Chinese obey authority. Let them have good authority. They are almost idolatrous in their respect for authority. We shall have no use for the open door unless the room on the other side of the door has been put in order. When the Chinese army has been put in order for the benefit of the Chinese, we shall insist on the great resourses of the country being opened to the world. The riches of some of the provinces through which I passed are marvellous. Gold lies on the surface. The Chinese do not like to mine If they should dig a hole in the earth some great devil would come out from it and they all would have the plague. The Chinese merchants I found to be in accord with my views. So were the Viceroys of some of the provinces. The Government is against these views, but it will not be long before the Government will have to give in to the will of the people, even in China.

"I call your attention to the fact," said he "that the people of England and the English Government have not tried to keep France and Russia out of China, but the English Government has exerted all its powers to uphold the autonomy of the Chinese Government and to keep the open door to the commerce of the world of such parts of China's territory as are, or may be, subject to the influences of those powers or any other power. In this position I believe that the United States should share and that it is very much its interest to share.

"I want to say something about the word "Alliance" which has appeared in the public press in connection with my work. I mean no defensive alliance in the usual sense of the word. That is very far from what I suggest. The American people are perfectly ready and able to take care of themselves without any alliance. I may further say that Great Britain is also so situated. Both nations are adverse to any alliance in the ordinary sense of the term. And you have a Monroe doctrine which will make you still more adverse to an alliance. But it is in the interests of trade alone that I speak of a union of the four great countries regarding the future of China, because they should look to the future. I mean nothing in the way of treaties, protocols or alliances. I am more than pleased to find with what cordiality, everywhere that I have been in the United States, the idea of the community of interest and the essential unity of the Anglo-Saxon race is welcomed by you, our trans-Atlantic cousins. (Applause.) On our side, the understanding of our mutual interests and real unity of purpose has grown rapidly within the past few years and I am glad, most glad, to see the same sentiment has taken root over here. It may not be necessary that we should pledge to one another by formal contract the help of our armies and navies to fight one another's battles.

"England has never yet felt it necessary to ask others to fight her battles for her, and it is very evident, by the way in which the people of the United States responded at the beginning of the recent war with Spain, that this country is quite capable of taking care of itself. (Applause.) But I do not believe that in all matters of policy that affect the peace of the world, the intregrity of weaker nations, and the freedom of commerce and trade throughout the world, this great country should. Yes I believe that she will stand shoulder to shoulder with England in throwing the weight of her influence against strife, narrowness and usurpation of power and in the direction of the greatest freedom and the steady advance of Anglo-Saxon civilization." (Great Applause.)

Lord Beresfords' remarks were listened to with deep interest. He was frequently interrupted by applause and when he had finished he was given three cheers and a tiger. Short addresses were then made by several prominent citizens, all of whom heartily endorsed Lord Beresford's and his views At the conclusion of the meeting Lord Beresford and his friends were transported to Niagara Falls on a special train and the power house at that place visited. The party returned to Buffalo at 4 o'clock and left shortly afterwards for Washington.

MR. COTTON MAKES HIS BUDGET SPEECH

Over Half a Million Deficit Last Year.

WHAT TURNER SPENT

The Actual Deficit Was About One Hundred Thousand Dollars More Than Estimated Deficit.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 20.—The Minister of Finance, Hon. Mr. Cotton, today delivered the Budget speech in the Legislature. He first made a statement of the financial affairs for the year ending June 30 last, under the administration of his predecessor, Mr. Turner. For that year, he said, there was an estimated and authorized expenditure of $2,060,614, while the revenue, along with $285,000 to be left over from the last loan, was estimated at $1,573,089, leaving an estimated deficit of $487,525. The actual result, however, has proved to be, revenue $1,430,623, expenditure $2,097,347 and deficit $647,723. Deducting $86,315 for sinking fund, left a net deficit of $561,408.

In the current year, basing his calculations largely upon the first half already expired, he estimated that the gross deficit would be $1,063,010 and, deducting the $96,382 required for the sinking fund, the net deficit would be $966,628. As it would be impossible to wipe off by economy or by increased taxation the deficits found existing when the Government took office and necessarily continuing for a time, a loan would be required for an amount which he estimated at $1,750.000.

DRUGGING SUSPECTED.

San Francisco, Feb. 20.—Bicyclist Gimm, who is alleged to have been drugged during the closing hours of the big race here, is in a critical condition. Miller won the race and the six leaders lowered the previous world's record.

AGAINST "GUINEA PIGS."

House of Commons Does Not Like Ministerial Directors.

London, Feb. 18.—The debate on the address to the Queen in reply to the speech from the Throne at the opening of Parliament, was continued in the House of Commons during the week and is expected to exclude Ministers of the Crown from holding company directorships. The debate on this amendment proved most interesting and although it was rejected, chiefly owing to a brilliant piece of special pleading by the Government leader in the House, Mr. A. J. Balfour. The debate was distinctly unfavorable to the Ministers and had not the question been made one of confidence, the amendment would have undoubtedly been adopted. There is a strong feeling in the House against Ministerial "Guinea Pigs" and it is expected that the Ministers will now quietly, and as soon as possible, resign their directorships.

The Times published a stinging rebuke of the Government position, saying: "The chivalry of public life, if nothing more, is felt to be smirched by such connections, and every Minister who has the courage to rid himself of directorships will rise appreciably in public estimation It is well known that the late William Gladstone gave an excellent example by having his colleagues resign their directorships of companies before they assumed positions in his Cabinet. But the Conservatives have not been so squeamish and some of the present members hold five directorships."

ANOTHER LEADER.

Buda Pest, Feb. 20.—The Emperor King, Francis Joseph, has entrusted Koloman De Szell with the task of forming a new Hungarian Cabinet in succession to the Ministry presided over by Baron Banffy, who announced on Saturday last the Ministers' intention of resigning at the close of the parliamentary session.

A HEARTY WELCOME.

Omduraman, Egypt, Feb. 20,—The Duke and Duchess of Connaught arrived here yesterday evening and met with an enthusiastic welcome from the natives.

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THEY SEE THEIR MISTAKE.

It was understood that Victoria and Vancouver encouraged the Government to introduce their Alien Exclusion Bill. The merchants of those cities thought it would be a fine thing to keep American trade out of the Atlin country and to get all of it for themselves. They had the benefit of the Canadian tariff, but even with that very substantial advantage they were afraid of American competition. American miners going to the Atlin placer mines would buy their supplies at home, notwithstanding the tariff. And American vessels would take them up, and not only take them but also Canadians. To stop all this it was determined to exclude aliens, which would give the carrying trade to Canadian vessels and the commercial trade to Victoria and Vancouver merchants. Therefore were hats waved on the Coast when it was announced that the Government would bring down an Exclusion Bill.

Victoria is already in a repentant mood, weeping tears at its own folly. Vancouver is more political than commercial, and its repentance is a plant of slower growth. No doubt many of its merchants feel that an interview with themselves behind the woodshed would be the proper thing under the circumstances, but thus far they have failed in the moral courage openly to acknowledge their folly, as Victoria has done. For several weeks there have been confessions from the Capital that the Bill was an economic mistake. In a late issue of The Globe a gentleman connected with one of the largest transportation companies on the Coast frankly admits that the Bill is a detriment to trade instead of an advantage. "I know," he says, "that up to the time Mr. Martin's Alien Exclusion Bill came into operation we were carrying hundreds of tons of supplies to Skagway for the Atlin district. I further know, as a fact, that Americans interested in the Atlin country, and who had bought supplies in the Eastern States, were shipping them by our Canadian steamboats from here North, and large purchases were constantly being made by Americans both here and in Vancouver of all kinds of supplies for the North. When the Exclusion Bill came into force it was perfectly surprising the change it brought about, and only those in actual contact with the trade can form any idea of the detrimental effect it had on business. Large orders were cancelled, negotiations for shipping contracts were suddenly broken off, and instead of the full cargoes we undoubtedly should have had, the shipments dwindled down to nothing."

Throughout the rest of the Province there will be little sympathy with Coast merchants in their disappointment. They should have known that anything which retards development is injurious. It will take British Columbia's own population half a century to develop half the mineral wealth of the Province. That is too long to wait for the most of us. Instead of excluding aliens, we should invite and encourage them to come in. But that would not suit the present game of the politicians, who can be and often are the greatest curse of a country.

STAND AND DELIVER.

Our good friends and neighbors of Rossland will not suffer for lack of assurance. They are not at all pleased with the Estimates. They asked for $21,000 for roads and trails, and are offered only $15,000. They are offered $15,000 for a court house, but nothing less than $25,000 will satisfy them. They do not propose to sit down with open mouths, and gratefully accept these miserable crumbs. Not at all. There has been a meeting of the Rossland Board of Trade, and jointly with the City Council that body instructed the Mayor to proceed at once to the Capital and inform the Government that there is absolute necessity for increased appropriations. The Mayor went off post haste, and will doubtless arrive by the time these lines see the light.

It is not improbable that this rather aggressive importunity may have the effect desired, and that $16,000 additional may be voted for the benefit of Rossland. We do not suppose there is a district in the Province that is getting all it asked. or wishes, and that does not consider itself entitled to more. If all those districts were to dispatch delegates to the Capital to demand more —and they have as much right to do so as Rossland–we should have government by mob; and if they all succeeded in getting their demands, to which they have an equal right with Rossland, we should speedily have a depleted treasury. In making appropriations for public buildings or improvements, the Government have first to consider the necessities of each case presented, and next to consider the amount the revenues will afford. Having done these, they will then proceed to apportion the amounts. It is presumed that the Government have adopted this procedure in the present instance, and that Rossland has had appropriated to it its full share, according to its requirements and the sum available for distribution. If it shall get more it will be at the expense of the rest of the Province. However, it is assurance that wins these days. Governments, like Providence, help those that help themselves, and if Rossland shall succeed in intimidating the Finance Minister we are not sure but we shall have to admire its audacity.

The Rossland Record, apologising for its scant court report, explains that an attempt to get information at the court house a few days ago was frustrated by "the court," in this case Mr. Justice Martin, sending the reporter off with the information that "courts were not run for the benefit of newspapers." There must be some mistake here. No one supposes that courts are run for the benefit of newspapers; but they are run for the benefit of the people, whom the newspapers represent. Mr. Justice Martin has too long been associated with the Press not to understand its rights and privileges, and if The Record reporter was driven off as explained it must have been because he presented himself at an inopportune time and was seeking information which he could have got for himself if he had exercised due diligence in his calling. We refuse to believe that his Lordship is putting himself in a position of antagonism to the newspapers. That would only prove that he is several generations behind the age, and his friends will hardly admit that.

The Rossland Miner, rejoicing at the selection of that city as the permanent headquarters of the Inspector of Metalliferous Mines, says the choice was a wise and happy one, "because this is the chief mining town of the Province and is within easy reach of the other important mining divisions of the Kootenays." We shall not dispute the choice. But if the reason given here is the only or chief one in favor of it, the Government has acted very stupidly There is not a less central point in all Kootenay than Rossland It is off by itself, on a spur, and from it as a starting point it is impossible to make a circuit of the districts without doubling.

"Fernie," says the Free Press of that town, "is now within four days journey of Montreal and Toronto, thanks to the manager of the Western division, Mr. Whyte, who has altered the train service." Montreal is nearly 3,000 miles distant from Fernie; Nelson is about 200, and the copy of the Free Press containing this extract was just nine days in reaching here. Either Mr. Whyte or Mr. Mulock should give some attention to this end of the road.

Meterological Report,

(Observations taken by A. H. Holdich.

DATE	DAY	HIGHEST	LOWEST	SNOW FALL	BAROMETER
Feb 14	Tuesday	36.0	31.0	0.31	27.80
Feb 15	Wed'day	46.0	35.0	0.04	27.90
Feb 16	Thursday	48.0	37.0	0.00	28.00
Feb 17	Friday	46.0	33.0	0.20	28.00
Feb 18	Saturday	45.0	35.0	0.00	28.10
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TO INVESTIGATE

AINSWORTH DISASTER WILL BE ENQUIRED INTO.

Attorney-General Orders An Investigation and the First Session Will Take Place March Second.

The cause which led to the wreck of the Steamer Ainsworth will be brought to light. The Attorney General's Department at Victoria has ordered an investigation and the first session will be held in Nelson on March 3.

H. Bullock-Webster, chief of Provincial Police, yesteday received word to this effect. He will immediately summon all those who were connected with the steamer at the time of the wreck, and in addition asks the Miner to request any of the passengers or others who were in the illfated steamer to communicate with him in person or by mail. The investigation will be a thorough one and if anyone is to blame for the death of those who went down with the steamer, it is more than likely that they will be brought to justice.

OVER THE CROW'S NEST LINE.

Nelson and Bedlington Railway Will Apply For Running Powers.

An Ottawa special to the Toronto Mail and Empire says: Mr. J. A. Gemmill, barrister, of this city, has a somewhat unusual request to prefer to the Railway Committee of the Privy Council when it meets next week. In the Act granting the subsidy to the Crow's Nest Pass railway the following clause was inserted:—"The Railway Committee of the Privy Council may grant running powers over the said line of railway and all its branches and connections, or any portions thereof, and all lines of railway now or hereafter owned or leased by or operated on account of the company in British Columbia south of the company's main line of railway, and the necessary use of its tracks, stations and station grounds, to any other railway company applying for such a grant upon such terms as such committee may fix and determine, and according to the provisions of the Railway Act, and of such other general Acts relating to railways as are from time to time passed by Parliament, but nothing herein shall be held to imply that such running powers might not be so granted without the special provision herein contained."

A charter exists at present for a railway from Nelson to Bedlington, the latter place being near the international boundary, but on the British Columbia side. If the Railway Committee grants permission under the foregoing clause for the N. and B. railway to run over a portion of the Crow's Nest railway, it will avoid the necessity of duplicating 10 miles of road from Nelson in southernly direction. The outcome of Mr. Gemmill's application will be awaited with interest.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. J. F. Burne of Ymir is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dundee left for Rossland yesterday.

Mrs. (Dr.) Quinlan leaves today on an extensive visit to Californian points.

Fred Hicks of Perth, Ont., and a well known character in the Territories, is in Nelson.

Mr. R. E. Smith and H. R. Bellamy went to Ainswoth yesterday to look over some mining properties there.

Miss Nora O'Rielly, of the city teaching staff, who has been ill for a couple of weeks, resumed her duties yesterday

H. Colin Cummins has taken over the cigar business of the Bodega saloon and will run a first-class cigar stand.

W. J. G. Dickson has disposed of the residence of P. E. Wilson, on Silica street, to A. E. Eskrigge for a consideration of $400.

The executive committee of the Nelson Operatic Society will meet at 4:30 this afternoon in the office of the vice president, Mr. J. H. Bowes.

For imbibing too freely of the flowing wine and becoming too noisy as a result, a miner was fined $5 and costs by Police Magistrate Crease yesterday.

Messrs. Macdonald and Parris, until recently connected with the Lawrence Hardware company of Nelson, have opened a tinshop in Cascade, says the Record of that place.

The almost epidemic prevalence of lagrippe is making itself felt in the attendance at the public school. A large number of pupils are among the sufferers and the attendance is thereby reduced.

For the past two weeks the Nelson public school has been without water. Yesterday the pipes were thawed out and the water is now on. The gang from the provincial goal assisted in uncovering the pipes and heating them.

George Lavasseur was arrainged before Police Magistrate Crease yesterday on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses and the case was continued until this morning at 10 o'clock. The alleged offense took place some time ago but it was only yesterday morning that H. Bullock Webster, Chief of Provincial Police, received the warrant for his arrest. It seems to be more of a case of misunderstanding than a deliberate attempt to obtain money by fraud. Lavasseur was released on bail.

Mr. R. A. Rogers, of the Parsons Produce Company, returned with Mr. P. J. Russell from a trip through the Slocan country yesterday and leaves today for Vancouver.

Mr. Bert Walley was receiving the congratulations of his friends yesterday upon his elevation to the class of fathers A son and heir was born to him and both Mrs. Walley and the bouncing boy are doing well.

H. J Sullivan, traveling auditor of the C. P. R., yesterday transferred the city ticket office of the C. P. R. from W. F. Anderson to C. E. Beasley. Mr. Anderson will hereafter wear the title of Traveling Passenger Agent alone.

The Fernie Free Press is complaining very loudly of the dilatoriness of the Government in providing school facilities in that mining town. It says, judging from the correspondence that has taken place on the subject, that the Government seem determined to put the matter off as long as possible.

There is a large gang of men working between Greenwood and Midway on the line of railway, says the Boundary Creek Times. The railway encroaches upon and will destroy the wagon road in many places. It will be necessary to build two grades across Boundary Creek, and grade a new wagon road unless a large amount of traffic is to be stopped.

Mr. Jacob Dover, who has been ill with lagrippe for the past three weeks, was about again yesterday, feeling well but hardly yet recovered from the effects of his seige. Mr. Dover expects to leave for Montreal next Saturday or Sunday and from there will visit the States, being absent altogether about six weeks. While away he will purchase his summer and fall stock of goods.

Team freighting into the Boundary country is progressing satisfactorily. Mr. H. E. McDonnell of the C. P. R. freight department there, landed in Greenwood the other day after having seen a large quantity of freight loaded at Brooklyn. On the same day one six-horse team and two four horse teams arrived heavily loaded. The road is reported in good condition.

It was not until last night that the ice at the Crystal Rink succumbed to to the exceedingly mild weather and became so soft that the rink had to be closed. But the wind from the mountain tops came along just in time to permit of more ice being made and there will be good skating this afternoon and evening.

"While we regret that the Government are successful," says the Wellington Enterprise, speaking of the Nelson election, "yet we hasten to congratulate Mr. Hume on his victory. Personally, we have a high regard for Mr. Hume, but politically he is too easily moulded in the hands of the chief potter, or plotter, to be a successful Minister."

The long suffering residents along Josephine street have at last had the water main opened and water is flowing freely. The men are now at work on Victoria street and the chances are that that main will be opened today. The Miner will then be freed from the difficulties with which it has had to contend lately, on account of the lack of power with which to run the type-setting machine and presses.

The Metropolitan Opera Company will appear at the Nelson Opera House on Saturday and Monday next. This company has met with great success in Coast cities and will no doubt give satisfaction here. They have been presenting the standard light operas, such as "The Chimes of Normandy," "Fra Diavolo," "La Mascotte," and others. The selections for Nelson have not been made yet.

The hall over his store, which S. Neelands' has placed at the disposal of the Women's Council, is being prepared for the opening of the cooking school tomorrow afternoon. The ladies in charge of the undertaking are sanguine that it will be a great success, and that a snug sum will be netted for the Public Library. The first lecture tomorrow afternoon will be free and Miss Livingstone will endeavor to explain the mysteries of soup making. The ladies will serve tea and all are invited to attend.

The San Francisco Wave publishes this week two pages of photographs illustrating the Winter Carnival at Rossland, B. C. Ski running and jumping, skating, curling and other sports are depicted in a series of excellent photographs. There are also street scenes in Rossland, the arrival of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce, groups of skaters, portraits of winners of the champion cups, and other incidents of the Carnival, all admirably reproduced, which altogether make a stunning souvenir of the greatest sporting in the history of Rossland. Other features in this number of the Pacific Coast weekly are views of the flurry at Samoa and pictures made at the Eagan court-martial in Washington.

FISHERMEN BEWARE.

It Is Against the Law to Catch Brook Trout at Present.

Nelson rejoices in a large number of disciples of Isaac Walton. "Complete anglers" can be encountered at every street corner during the fishing season. The enthusiasm, in fact, outlives the regulations, as the anglers cannot confine themselves to the season prescribed by law. At present up at Cottonwood Lake there are several holes cut in the ice and almost daily lines dangle through them to entice the speckled beauties that inhabit the cold waters below The enthusiasts evidently are not aware of the fact that at this particular season of the year the law prohibits the catching of fish. Clause 26 of the Dominion Fishery Regulations for the Province of British Columbia reads as follows:

"No one shall fish for, catch, kill buy, sell or possess, any brook trout of any kind, or speckled trout, between the fifteenth day of October and the fifteenth day of March, both days inclusive."

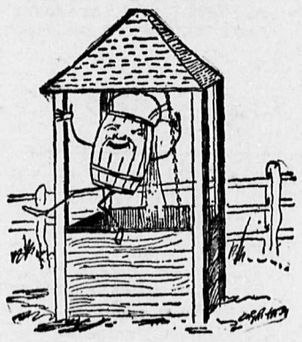
Indians are exempt from the provisions of this law as they are allowed to catch fish for their own food.

On Sunday last a prominent lawyer of Nelson was seen on the street with rod and tackle. As this evidently meant that even the members of the legal profession were not familiar with the regulations. Chief of Provincial Police Bullock-Webster thought it time to step in and see that the law was drilled into the public. So yesterday he waylaid a Miner man and explained the fishing situation. It is evident that if the law is not more carefully obeyed hereafter it will be enforced in a manner that will be rather expensive for those who break it. The law gives the Chief power to confiscate all the tackle and fish found in the possession of the trangressor.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Large Patronage Taxes the Present Accommodation.

The directors of the Nelson Library Association will soon have to face the problem of providing more room for those who take advantage of the privileges provided. Yesterday a Miner reporter had considerable difficulty in making his way through the crowd of people gathered in the reading room to the Librarians office. The rooms were crowded, every chair being occupied and not a few people standing. The library has become very popular and that Nelson needed such an institution has been amply demonstrated. The attendance last week was upwards of 200 and quite a number of names were added to the list of subscribers. The demand for books is growing each week, over 50 having been loaned last week. Word was received yesterday that the large order for books sent to a Toronto firm, had been shipped on the 10th inst so they should arrive in Nelson any day now. They have been selected carefully and include, besides the leading standard works, some of the most popular productions of later years. Their arrival here should induce a large number to become subscribers.



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"	Rossland; Trail, Robson and Points on C. & K. Ry.	6 p.m
"	Kaslo and Kootenay Lake Points,	3.45 p.m.
"	Kuskonook, Creston, Fort Steele, and points oc C. N. P. Ry., Sunday and Thursday	8 p.m.

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Nelson, Slocan and Ainsworth		
Athabasca	1 00	50
Arlington Con	1 00	8½
Dundee	1 00	28
Dardanelles	1 00	16½
Exchequer	1 00	15
Fern G. M. Co	25	56
Hall Mines	£1	7-6
Nelson-Poorman	25	45
Kaslo Montezuma	1 00	25
Noble Five	1 00	19
Rambler Con	1 00	33
Reco	1 00	1 25
Slocan Star	50	1 50
Two Friends	30	17
Wonderful	1 00	8
Washington	1 00	10
Trail Creek		
Butte	1 00	1½
Caledonia Con	1 00	6
Commander	1 00	10½
Deer Park	1 00	19½
Enterprise	1 00	2
Eureka Consolidated	1 00	7
Evening Star	1 00	8
Georgia	1 00	3
Good Hope	1 00	2
Grand Prize	1 00	3½
Giant	1 00	3½
High Ore	1 00	2
Iron Mask	1 00	93
Iron Colt	1 00	11
Jumbo	1 00	£3½
Lily May	5 00	20
Mayflower	1 00	16
Monita	1 00	12
Monte Cristo	1 00	2
Mugwump	1 00	35
Novelty	1 00	½
Phoenix	1 00	15
Poorman	1 00	2
Red Mountain View	1 00	2
Rossland Homestake	1 00	6
Rossland Red Mountain	1 00	2
Silverine	1 00	4½
Silver Bell	1 00	5
St. Elmo	1 00	5
Virginia	1 00	48
Victory-Triumph	1 00	9½
War Eagle Con	1 00	3 20
West Le Roi Josie	1 00	27
White Bear	1 00	6½
Miscellaneous.		
Alpha Bell	1 00	7
Cariboo (Camp McK)	1 00	1 50
Waterloo (Camp McK)	1 00	8½
Cariboo Hydraulic Con	5 00	95
Channe	25	8
Golden Cache	1 00	12
Tin Horn	25	12

New York, Feb. 18.—Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars, 47¼. Silver Certificates, 59 ½ to 60 1-2. Copper quiet, brokers' $18.00, exchange 17¾ to 18. Lead quiet, brokers $4.20. Exchange $4.42½ to $4.45. Tin firm. Straits $24. Plates firm.

The following review of the work on mines near Silverton is from the Silvertonian:

The work laid out by the various mining companies operating in the Silverton district, which is to be carried out this season, will undoubtedly make Silverton a busy place this summer. Among the many contemplated improvements are the following.

At the Emily Edith mine a concentrator is to be erected with a capacity for treating 2000 tons of ore per day. This concentrator will be erected on Silver Creek, and will be strictly up to date. Four Mile must in future be termed, about one half mile above town. It is to be connected with the mine by a tramway. This company has already practically completed the preliminary work and it is only a question of a few days before ground will be broken for the erection of these works.

The Essex group, situated below the Wakefield and about four miles up Silver Creek, will be started up just as soon as the snow will permit. Large and commodious buildings will be erected and a large force of men employed.

An aerial tramway is to be erected by the Wakefields Mines, to connect that big property with the wagon road. There ia also considerable talk of this company erecting a concentrator at the foot of the tram, to treat the large amount of concentrating ore they have on the dump and blocked out in the mine.

At the Vancouver Group extensive improvements are to be made, amongst others a long cross-cut tunnel is to be driven to tap the ore bodies at a still greater depth.

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The Golden Era says: Mr. F. A. Mullholland, the well known manager of the Mines Development Company, informs us that the new company which has taken over the Swansea mine at Windermere has $25,000 in the treasury specially for development work alone and that the work will be prosecuted vigorously during the coming season. It is intended to start work at the Swansea early in April. Mr. Mullholland still retains a considerable interest in the Swansea and has great faith in its future. He informs us that the new owners had the property separately examined by three experts before deciding on its purchase and the reportswere uniformly satisfactory. The ore body, over a width of 16 feet, averaged over 7 per cent copper and a few dollars in gold.

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A Scotch company known as the Waterloo Syndicate have purchased the Mascot mine, Trail district, for $6,000.

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Mr. Moffett, a mining engineer of Nelson, who has just returned from the East, says, among much else:

"The phenomenal advance in Crow's Nest Coal shares and the connection with the company of well know Torontonians, has brought East Kootenay in prominence, with its many rich properties in the Windermere district. It is stated positively that a railway from Golden to Fort Steele will be constructed before many months. Recent advices from East Kootenay are to the effect that it is Recorder Goldie's opinion that there will be an influx of over 2,000 people in and around Windermere next summer.

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They have had a "phenomenal" work in stock operations in Rossland, too. According to The Miner, there has been nothing like it since the boom days in 1896. It looks, indeed, as if the whole of the Kootenays were entering upon boom days, and that the year will prove a notable one in the history of British Columbia mining.

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Mining Transfers.

Where no consideration is named in transfers the nominal sum of $1 is to be understood.

Kaslo

Feb. 15.—

H. F. McKinnon to A. W. McKinnon, ¼ interest in Morning Glory, Savannah, Valparaiso, Birthday, Paystreak and International, $200,

C. Caldwell to D. M. Linnaird 3-16 interest in Monte Carlo, International, North Slope, South Slope, Caribou, 4-16 interest in Fractional Fr., N. S. Fraction, Evening Star, Northern Light.

D. M. Linnaird to Geo. T. Crane ⅛ interest in Monte Carlo, International, North Slope, South Slope, Caribou, Fractional Fr., N. S. Fr., Evening Star, Northern Light.

Feb. 16.—

Oliver M. Harris to Mrs. Jenny Harris, all interest in Josie fraction.

Gold Commissioner's permit to direct that $400 worth of work done on Siver Bell be transferred to Bald Eagle to enable getting a certificate of improvements and Crown grant.

Feb. 17.—

Chas Brand to Wm. Hunter and T. H. Wilson, ¼ interest in Colonel Sellers, Senator Teller, W. J. Bryan, R. P. Blaud and Wasbash, $1,750.

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Locations.

Kaslo.

Feb. 11.—

Iron Hand, north bank Kaslo ck., west of mouth of Lyall ck., relocation of Iron Hand by A. P. Blandy.

ADJOURNS TO MEET ON AUGUST SECOND.

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that the whole question should be referred on terms similar to those provided in the reference of the Venezuelan boundary line and which, by providing an umpire, would ensure certainty and finality.

"The United States Commissioners, on the other hand, thought the local conditions in Alaska so different that some modification of the Venezuelan boundary reference should be introduced. They thought the reference be made to six eminent jurists, three chosen by each of the high contracting parties, without providing for an umpire, they believing that finality would be secured by a majority vote of the jurists so chosen. They did not see any present prospect of agreeing to an European umpire to be selected in the the manner proposed by the British Commissioners, while the British Commissioners were unwilling to agree to the selection of an American umpire in the manner suggested by the United States Commissioners.

"The United States Commissioners further contended that special stipulations should be made in any reference to arbitration, that the existing settlements on the tidewaters of the coast should in any event continue to belong to the United States. To this contention the British Commissioners refused to agree. It was therefore deemed advisable to adjourn to a convenient date in order to enable the respective Governments to further consider the subject with respect to which no conclusion has yet been reached."

IN NELSON JAIL.

W. D. Brewster, Former Agent at Trail, Brought to this City.

W. D. Brewster, the defaulting C. P. R. agent at Trail, is in the Nelson jail awaiting his trial. He was brought here Saturday night after having been arraigned at Trail and pleading not guilty. Cashier Sinclair, his associate in the alleged crime, is in Spokane fighting extradition.

Brewster and Sinclair are accused of embezzling $1500 from the railroad company. The money was raised by merchants of Trail and tendered to the C. P. R. officials but was refused.

RYAN AND JOHNSON.

Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 20.—Tommy Ryan, of Syracuse, N. Y., was matched today to fight a twenty round go with Charley Johnson, of St. Paul. The fight will take place March 1st, under the auspices of the Hot Springs Athletic Association. Each man will weigh in at the ringside at 150 pounds. Ryan is here training for his fight with Creedon.

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