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RENEWED ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR

Japanese Capture Seven Russian Ships---Three More Russian Cruisers Said to Have Been Sunk---The Mikado Issues a Proclamation Appealing in Eloquent Language to the Patriotism of His People---Declares Independence of Korea Essential to Peace in Far East---Russia Is Bitter Against Great Britain.

London, Feb. 11.—In a dispatch from Nagasaki dated February 10th, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"There has been a renewed attack on Port Arthur. The Japanese captured seven Russian ships and chased others.

There have been disturbances at Port Arthur in which a number of Japanese civilians were killed or imprisoned.

A Chinese mob has destroyed the telegraph line around New Ohmang.

In a dispatch from Shanghai dated February 12th, 2 a. m., a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "The bombardment of Port Arthur continues. Three Russian cruisers have been sunk. The Russian Bank building has been destroyed."

THE CHEMULPO ENGAGEMENT

London, Feb. 12.—Statements of all kinds concerning the Port Arthur fight are published here this morning.

According to the Chee Foo correspondent of the Daily Mail, the lack of preparation on the part of the Russians at Port Arthur was due to the fact that all the naval and military officers were attending a circus performance in Port Arthur, which did not terminate until early Tuesday morning.

According to the correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald at Chee Foo, the Japanese torpedo boats succeeded in entering the outer harbor by a ruse.

A correspondent of the Standard at Tokio sends in this morning an entirely new account of the Port Arthur encounter. He says admiral Togo's fleet arrived on Monday night and found the Russian squadron drawn up in battle formation outside the harbor, and under the shadow of the forts, the destroyers being spread out in front over a distance of five miles. Admiral Togo decided on a night attack, and opened fire at 11 o'clock. While the cannonade was hottest, a number of Japanese torpedo boats crept along close in shore and succeeded in the darkness in getting in between the Russian ships and the land. Here they lay unnoticed until the Russians began to give way before the Japanese fire, and sought to re-enter the harbor. The Japanese torpedo boats then opened fire at comparatively close range, and sunk two battleships and one cruiser close to the entrance of the harbor. The effect of this coup was the retreat of the remainder of the squadron into the harbor. All was safe on board the Japanese ships at noon of Tuesday, the correspondent continues, and the engagement was then still in progress.

ALL'S FAIR IN WAR.

Clever Ruse of Japanese to Size Up Situation at Port Arthur.

New York, Feb. 11.—In a cable dispatch from Chee Foo, the Herald's correspondent says he interviewed the Japanese consul at Chee Foo, who told him when he was informed by his government that the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg was withdrawn on February 6th, he chartered a British vessel and went to Port Arthur and Dalny to take off refugees. He was afforded every facility by the Russian government officials at Port Arthur. Quarantine was removed and the consul entered the town in official dress. He was saluted by soldiers and invited to dinner by a high official, where a toast was drunk that peace might be restored. After leaving Dalny he encountered the Japanese fleet about 18 miles from Port Arthur. A high naval Japanese commander traveled as a menial in the consul's train to Port Arthur and noted the exact position of the Russian ships and also that they had not got steam up and were not keeping a sharp lookout. As soon as the Japanese were sighted signals were interchanged and the Japanese officer was taken aboard the flagship. There he made a detailed report to admiral Togo. "I saw this commander, who wishes his name withheld, and he explained to me with marvellous accuracy the course of the fight, though he had not seen it. He said the Russians were in four lines. In front of all was the Augara, the only ship which had searchlights. It will thus be seen that the Japanese torpedo boats carried out an excessively bold venture. The Japanese had 16 vessels."

THE VARIAG'S CAPTAIN.

Reported to Have Blown the Vessel Up After Crew Escaped.

London, Feb. 11.—Reuter's correspondent at Tokio in a dispatch timed 9.15 p. m. yesterday says: "Details of the Chemulpo fight received here say that the captain of the Variag remained on board his ship and blew her up after the crew escaped. Part of the crew swam to a French ship and others got ashore. One report says that the French warship notified the Russians of the Japanese approach. The Koreitz engaged the Japanese cruisers first while the Variag prtected the transports. The Koreitz will be soon destroyed."

MIKADO'S PROCLAMATION.

Tokio, Feb. 11.—The following is the text of the imperial proclamation declaring war against Russia, which was issued in Japan yesterday:

"We, by the grace of heaven, emperor of Japan, seated on the throne occupied by the same dynasty since time immemorial, hereby make proclamation to all our loyal and brave subjects as follows:

"We hereby declare war against Russia and we command our army and navy to carry on hostilities against her, in obedience to their duty, with all their strength, and we also command all our competent authorities to make every effort, in pursuance of their duties, to attain the national aim with all the means within the limits of the law of nations.

"We have always deemed it essential in international regulations, and have made it our constant aim to promote the pacific progress of our empire in civilization, to strengthen our friendly ties with other states and to establish a state of things which would maintain enduring peace in the far east and assure the future security of our dominion without injury to the rights or interests of other powers.

"Our competent authorities have also performed their duties in obedience to our will so that our relations with all the powers had been steadily growing in cordiality. It was thus entirely against our expectation that we have unhappily come to open hostilities against Russia. The integrity of Korea is a matter of the gravest concern to this empire, not only because of our traditional relations with that country, but because the separate existence of Korea is essential to the safety of our realm. Nevertheless Russia, in disregard of her solemn treaty pledges to China and her repeated assurance to other powers, is still in occupation of Manchuria, has consolidated and strengthened her hold on those provinces and is bent upon their final annexation. And, since the absorption of Manchuria by Russia would render it impossible to maintain the integrity of China and would in addition compel the abandonment of all hope of peace in the far east, we were determined in those circumstances to settle the question by negotiations to secure this by permanent peace.

"With this object in view, our competent authorities, by our order, made proposals to Russia and frequent conferences were held during the last six months. Russia, however, never met such proposals in a spirit of conciliation, but, by wanton delays, put off a settlement of the serious questions, and by ostensibly advocating peace on one hand, while on the other extending her naval and military preparations, sought to accomplish her own selfish designs. We cannot in the least admit Russia had from the first any serious or genuine desire for peace. She rejected the proposals of our government. The safety of Korea was in danger and the interests of our empire were menaced. The guarantees for the future which we failed to secure by peaceful negotiations can now only be obtained by an appeal to arms.

"It is our earnest wish that by the loyalty and valor of our faithful subjects peace may soon be permanently restored and the glory of our empire preserved."

GREAT BRITAIN ATTACKED.

Said to Have Played into the Hands of Japanese.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 11.—Repeating the charge that Japan's attack on Port Arthur was made from Wei-Hai-Wei, on the northern coast of Shang Tung, the Novoe Vremya today bitterly assails Great Britain for allowing Japan the use of the harbor as a basis of operations. Says the Novoe Vremya: "Great Britain has violated the fundamental principles of neutrality. Wei-Hai-Wei must be regarded henceforth as part of Japanese territory and Great Britain forbidden the right to participate in any deliberations over the eventual fate of the harbor."

The Novoe Vremya further holds that the case is analogous to that of the Alabama, and says Russia is entitled to demand compensation from Great Britain for the losses she has sustained."

London, Feb. 11.—It was said at the foreign office here this evening that the assertion of the Novoe Vremya, of St. Petersburg, that the Japanese fleet in its attack on Port Arthur used Wei-Hai-Wei as a base is absolutely untrue.

ENCAMPED NEAR SEOUL.

Five Thousand Japanese Troops at the Korean Capital.

Paris, Feb. 11.—The foreign office received a dispatch this morning dated yesterday reporting that 5,000 Japanese troops are now encamped near Seoul, some of whom have entered the town. It is added that quiet prevails there. No mention is made in the dispatch of the presence of the Korean emperor at the French legation, where he has been reported to have sought refuge, and therefore the authorities place no credit in the report.

Regarding the announcement that the Russian sailors from the Variag and Korietz, sunk by the Japanese off Chemulpo, had sought refuge on the French cruiser Pascal, the foreign office says the French commander offered them an that no protest had been made by the asylum only in the interest of humanity, Japanese government, and that the refugees will be sent to Russia. They will probably be required to give their parole not to serve again during the war.

ADDS TO THE BITTERNESS.

Alleged Offensive Language of Lord Lansdowne.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 11.—The bitterness against Great Britain is assuming almost alarming proportions. The supposition that Great Britain evacuated Wei-Hai-Wei to give Japan a base has called out the deepest indignation, which has been still further inflamed by the publication of a blue book on Thibet containing the offensive language of lord Lansdowne.

The first authentic news of the fighting at Chemulpo has been printed here vaguely and without details.

The admiralty has issued specific orders that no telegrams from the far east, either for private persons, newspapers or news agencies will be transmitted. The admiralty will give out official reports.

Admiral Syrydloff, commander of the Russian Black sea fleet, has left quietly for the far east to take command of the Russian fleet there.

All unattached naval officers in St. Petersburg and Kronstadt have been ordered to go east promptly without making farewell calls.

There is a general movement among the public to raise money for the purpose of increasing the navy, and it is related that today a woman handed in 1,000 roubles at a newspaper office, where subscriptions are being taken.

The Red Cross Society sent the steamship Mongolia, loaded with hospital stores, to the far east on Sunday.

THEIR GRIM DETERMINATION

Subject of Comment by Tokio Correspondent of the Times.

London, Feb. 12.—In a dispatch from Tokio a correspondent of the Times comments on the grim determination of the Japanese people as evidenced by the expeditious and absolutely undemonstrative manner in which the mobilization of troops has everywhere been carried out. The correspondent is of the opinion that major-general baron Kodama will be in command of the Japanese land operations.

CABLES AND WIRES CUT.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 11.—The general staff announces the receipt of a telegram from the Russian minister resident in China saying that the cable from Vladivostock to Nagasaki, the telegraph line from Seoul to Masampho, and the telegraph line from Seoul to Wonsan are broken.

Tokio, Feb. 11.—The existence of a state of war with Russia was formally announced today by an imperial proclamation.

London, Feb. 11.—A special despatch from Port Arthur says the Japanese fleet attempted on Wednesday to land men in several bays in the neighborhood of Port Arthur under the protection of the guns of the cruisers. It is asserted, however, that all the attempts were unsuccessful.

London, Feb. 11.—Lloyd's agent at Shanghai, cabling under date of yesterday, says it is reported and generally believed that a Japanese warship has destroyed the Russian mail steamer Mongolia, bound from Shanghai for Dalny. The cablegram adds that the three Russian warships damaged by torpedoes at Port Atrhur sank.

London, Feb. 11.—A special despatch from Tien Tsin confirms the report that the Manchurian railroad has been blocked by the blowing up of a bridge on the line, and that 30 Russians were killed in the explosion. It is reported, the despatch adds, that the Russian steamers Nenni and Mukden, belonging to the Chinese Eastern Railway Company, have been captured by the Japanese.

London, Feb. 11.—7.30 p. m.—A dispatch to Reuter's from Tokio dated 7.10 p. m. yesterday says an unofficial report was current there that the Russian fleet was destroyed, four battleships and three cruisers being sunk, and that two Japanese warships were damaged in an engagement yesterday off Port Arthur, the Japanese getting between the Russians and the entrance of the harbor before the fight commenced.

Tien Tsin, Feb. 11.—The Russian garrison was withdrawn yesterday to Shan Hai Kwan. The postoffices were transferred to the French authorities. Yun Shi Kai, governor of Chi Li province, and commander in chief of the army, has issued a proclamation forbidding meetings of the secret societies. The Japanese are flooding Pekin with newspapers containing reports of the Japanese successes against Russia.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 11.—A dispatch from Irkutsk, Siberia, says orders have been issued to have the railroad across the ice covered lake Baikal completed by February 28th. The contractors have been promised a bonus of $1,500 for each day's earlier completion.

London, Feb. 11.—King Edward at a council held at Buckingham palace this afternoon signed a proclamation declaring Great Britain's neutrality during the war between Russia and Japan.

Washington, Feb. 11. — President Roosevelt today issued a proclamation declaring the neutrality of the United States government in the Russo-Japanese war.

Tokio, Feb. 11.—Reports from Chemulpo say that both the Variag and the Koreitz hoisted the white flag at the last moment.

Paris, Feb. 11—The Temps says it has received confirmation from official sources of the report from Port Arthur that the Japanese attempted to make a landing at the bay of Port Arthur and were immediately repulsed.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 11.—The minister of marine declares there is no foundation for the report that the Japanese made several attempts to land at Port Arthur.

London, Feb. 11.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of Reuter's cables that the naval headquarters staff there announces that in the fight at Port Arthur six Japanese ships were slightly injured and 50 Japanese were killed and 150 wounded.

London, Feb. 11.—The St. James Gazette's correspondent at Chee Foo cables that in anticipation of the return of the enemy's fleet the Russians at Port Arthur are adopting extra defensive measures.

London, Feb. 11.—At Lloyd's today 30 per cent was paid to insure against the risk of war between France and Great Britain within six months. Yesterday the rate was 20 per cent.

REJOICINGS IN TOKIO.

London, Feb. 11.—A Tokio dispatch dated February 10th, says: Tokio witnessed a smaller "Mafeking" celebration tonight. Thousands of students paraded the streets accompanied by many bands of music and carrying torches, flags, colored lanterns and transparencies emblazoned with war pictures, national airs were sung and cheers were continually given. The various processions surrounded the palace wall and visited the government offices. The Russian legation overlooks a square, where the thousands of people had assembled to witness the celebration of the Japanese victory, but the windows of the legation were darkened. The crowds are orderly and sober. British residents of Tokio were cheered wherever they appeared.

WAR FEVER IN RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 11.—Students, uniformed and bareheaded, this afternoon paraded in front of the Kazan cathedral and went to the winter palace. They were followed by several thousands of persons singing the national anthem. The assistant chief of police thanked the students for their evidences of patriotism, but he requested them to no longer disturb the czar. The people returned singing to the cathedral. Serious disturbances are reported to have broken out at Reval, the fortified seaport on the gulf of Finland. Four companies of soldiers are said to have been dispatched to suppress the rioting. The disturbances are believed to be connected with labor troubles.

London, Feb. 11.—A dispatch to the Vosiche Zeitung from Yokohama says the greater number of the Russian warships at Port Arthur have already been disabled and that several Japanese warships have been sent home for repairs.

GOING TO EDMONTON.

John Houston Leaves Vancouver for That Place Today.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, Feb. 11.—It is rumored that failing sir Hibbert Tupper, who has declined hitherto, the conservatives will make hon. R. G. Tatlow, provincial finance minister, second choice for the nomination in Burrard to oppose R. G. Macpherson, the liberal sitting member. It is not known if captain Tatlow will accept nomination.

John Houston, M. L. A. for Nelson, is in the city. Houston leaves tomorrow for Edmonton, where he will engage in business. He says he has not been able to make money enough to pay his grocery bills since he has been in British Columbia. He has no intention of resigning his seat in the legislature at present.

WINNIPEG BONSPIEL.

The Scores Made Yesterday by the Eastern Rinks.

Winnipeg, Feb. 11.—Today's curling was almost entirely in the Rrunswick trophy. The scores made by the eastern rinks were: McFadden, Toronto, 9, vs. McKay, Pilot Mound, 8. Scott, Toronto, 12, vs. Milligan, St. John, 10. Scott, Toronto, 13, vs. Lagle, Dauphin, 7; McFadden, Toronto, 9, vs. Sparling, Minnedosa, 9. Shaw, St. John, 13, vs. Irwin, Dewsemont, 11.

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Chocolate colored Calf Shoe	$3.70	Dongola house slipper	$1.40
Vici, chocolate colored	$2.65	Beaded top, patent French heel	$2.50
Fine Tan Calf, leather lined	$4.25	Small Children's Shoes	.50
Tan, leather lined, rubber sole	$4.50	Babys' Shoes in colors	.45
Men's Rubbers, different styles	.75	Strong School Shoes	.85
Men's Overshoes	$1.50 and $1.25	Ladies' Storm Rubbers	.55
Men's Gum, buckle rubbers	$2.00	Boys' Rubbers	.50
Ladies' oil grain strong boots	$1.20	Ladies' Cardigan Overshoes	$1.00
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GOOD INTENTIONS.

"Adversity makes us acquainted with strange bedfellows, as the pigeon said when he found himself in the rook pie, but railway traveling brings us in touch with stranger companions." The speaker was Charles Collette, the popular comedian. "I was traveling," said he, "from London to Manchester. I got out at Leicester, leaving my bag, etc., on my seat, and boarded the luncheon car. I returned to my compartment at Derby and missed my belongings. I glanced round at my fellow passengers for information. Each wore a peculiar smile and my vis-a-vis was manifestly ill at ease. "I'm very sorry," he pleaded apologetically, in answer to my look of mute enquiry, "but when you didn't return to your seat at Leicester I supposed you were left behind and to save you anxiety as we were leaving the station I threw your bag, rug and sticks on to the platform." The reply was obvious: "——! ——!! ——!!!"

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Synopsis of Regulations for disposal of Minerals on Dominion Lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territory.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miner's certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1500x1500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded, within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locater may upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the minister of the interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of royalty on the sales not exceeding five per cent.

Placer Mining. Manitoba and the N.W.T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, $5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan river claims for either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the minister of the interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark; and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan river, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for first year, and $10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek of gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 200 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days, if the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

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Entry fee, $10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of $2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Hydraulic Mining, Yukon Territory.—Locations suitable for hydraulic mining, having a frontage of from one to five miles, and a depth of one mile or more, may be leased for twenty years, provided the ground has been prospected by the applicant or his agent; is found to be unsuitable for placer mining; and does not include within its boundaries any mining claims already granted. A rental of $150 for each mile of frontage, and royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent on the value of the gold shipped from the Territory are charged. Operations must be commenced within one year from the date of the lease, and not less than $5,000 must be expended annually. The lease excludes all base metals, quartz and coal, and provides for the withdrawal of unoperated land for agricultural or building purposes.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion Lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected, an area of 640 acres. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well and such other land as may be determined, will be sold to the discovery at the rate of $1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

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THE COAL FIELDS OF THE CROW'S NEST PASS

The first article on this subject dealt with the general conformation of the coal fields, the early history of development and the organization of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company, with headquarters at Fernie, and its plan of operations. In the following article particulars are give of the progress made in the reduction of coal and the extent of the coke making industry.

II.

PROGRESS AND PRODUCTION.—As in some measure indicative of the progress made during the six years the company has been operating, the following figures, showing the tonnage of coal and coke for each year since the mines commenced to be productive, are given. It will be noted that, for the sake of agreement with the figures from time to time published as having been taken from the company's annual reports, those appearing in the annual reports of the provincial mines department are not used. The output for six years was as under:

Year	Coal	Coke
1898	8,986	361
1899	116,200	29,658
1900	232,345	72,810
1901	425,457	125,085
1902	441,236	120,777
1903	661,118	167,739
Total	1,885,342	516,430

Of the foregoing gross output of coal nearly 1,000,000 tons have been sold and the remainder (less what has been used under the boilers at the several collieries) made into coke.

A comparison of the output for 1902 with that of 1901 does not suggest much advance during the former year. As a matter of fact little was made, but the preventative causes were exceptional. Speaking at the annual meeting of shareholders held early in 1903 the then managing director, Elias Rogers, said, in part: "The past year has been one of those adverse years which sometimes occur in the history of all mining companies. While I have on more than one occasion pointed out possible difficulties and contingencies which were liable to occur in connection with the company's operations, and have sometimes been rather reproved by my co-directors for entertaining somewhat pessimistic views, I have never at any time anticipated so many misfortunes occurring one year as have been experienced during the year 1902 by this company. The most serious of these were: 1st—An outbreak of smallpox at the Coal creek mines. 2nd—The deplorable accident on May 22nd (an explosion which caused the death of 130 of the company's employees and wrecked the greater part of Nos. 2 and 3 mines). 3rd—The loss by fire on June 9th of all the miners' houses and boarding houses on the north side of the railway track at Michel. 4th—Strikes of miners at all three collieries. 5th—Unexpected faults encountered in No. 4 mine, Michel, which cut off nearly all the working faces in that mine and in consequence greatly reduced the output. All of these have not only been a source of extra expense and direct loss, but have delayed the company's operations, and have retarded the increase in the output of coal to the extent of at least 2,500 tons per day. In other words, but for these misfortunes, which could not reasonably have been foreseen or provided against, the output of the mines, instead of being 2,500 tons per day, would have been at least 5,000 tons per day at the present time."

Mr. Rogers further remarked: "At the present time, apart from the labor situation, the outlook is very encouraging. The mines have already shown an output of over 2,000 tons per day, with No. 2 mine not working. That mine should be ready to be put in operation almost immediately, and should give an increased output of 1,000 tons per day at once. The general manager estimates that the average output for the year 1903 will be 4,000 tons per day. This means that by the end of the year there should be an output of 6,000 tons per day." That this estimate was too high the total production for the year has demonstrated. Allowing for the loss in production occasioned by the miners' strike, which compelled a suspension of operations for seven weeks, from February 10th to April 1st, and which, owing to flooding and other troubles consequent upon the strike, seriously interfered with operations in some of the mines for months after work was resumed, the figures recently given out as what would have been the output for the year, calculated on the basis of the actual output of the months during which production was maintained, fall considerably short of an average of 4,000 tons per day, the respective totals being 773,108 tons on the former basis and 1,440,000 tons on the latter. Yet, leaving out of account this over-sanguine estimate, there was in 1903 the very substantial increase over the output of 1902 of about 50 per cent in coal and nearly 39 per cent in coke, as shown by the following figures:

Output of coal during two years, in tons.

	1902.	1903.
Coal creek mines	267,429	242,673
Michel mines	127,515	263,590
Morrissey mines	46,292	154,855
Totals	441,236	661,118

(Note.—The coal exported in 1903 amounted to 162,952 net tons. Of the remainder of the total production of the year about 280,000 tons went to the coke ovens and about 218,000 tons were sold in Canada.)

Output of coke during two years, in tons:

	1902.	1903.
Produced at Fernie	87,909	94,441
Produced at Michel	32,858	72,598
Produced at Morrissey	.....	700
Totals	120,777	167,739

It will be noted that the Coal creek mines had a smaller production of coal last year than in 1902. Michel and Morrissey, however, made such gains that the net result for the year was an increase in production of coal of 219,882 tons. Of the increase 46,962 tons of coke, nearly 40,000 tons have to be credited to the Michel ovens.

The producing capacity of the several collieries at the time they were visited recently was: Coal creek, 1,300 tons; Michel, 1,500 tons, and Morrissey, 900 tons; total, 3,700 tons per day. A steady increase on this output is being made right along.

In connection with the foregoing statistics it may be mentioned as bearing upon the question of production, that there were employed at the company's mines an average in 1902 of 984 men, and in 1903 of 1,450 men. About the middle of last December the number of men on the company's payroll was as follows:

	Miners.	Oven men.
Coal creek	487	117
Michel	583	105
Morrissey	291	25
	1301	247
Miners, as above		1,301
Oven men, as above		247
Men on gen. construction work		250
Management, engineering, etc.		37
Total		1,835

THE COKE INDUSTRY

Additional information relative to the coke industry is as follows: The coke ovens are built of fire brick, with supporting walls and piers of stone masonry filled in with fire clay. They are of beehive shape, diameter 12 feet, and have an "eye-hole" or circular opening at the top. They are built in double rows. Along the top of the battery, running over and between the ovens, a single railway track runs, and along this the steel larry cars carrying the slack coal for charging the ovens are hauled by a light standard gauge steam locomotive. The cars have a holding capacity up to nine tons each, but the usual load carried is 6 1-2 tons (of 2,000 pounds), that being the ordinary charge for each coke oven. They are side-dumping, discharging on either side as required. The production of coke per charge is from 3.90 to 4.22 tons, this being at the rate of 60 to 65 per cent of the charge. The time of burning the charge is 60 to 72 hours, which gives a daily production per oven of 1.3 to 1.6 tons. No provision is made to recover the by products. The coke is cooled and the dirt washed off by hose watering inside the ovens, a process necessarily causing considerable loss of heat and also deterioration, through the consequent cooling of the interior of the ovens, but the object of this method of treatment is to produce the best quality of coke practicable. Thus treated, the coke contains less moisture on being drawn from the ovens, the consumer thus benefitting. The coke is long, lustrous and firm, containing up to 94 per cent fixed carbon, 4.50 per cent ash and 0.75 per cent usiphur.

There are at the present time in operation 424 ovens at Fernie, 420 at Michel and 140 at Morrissey. Besides these there are 144 under construction, 44 at Michel and 100 at Morrissey. These latter will probably be completed within two or three months, when the position will be as follows: At Fernie, 414; at Michel, 464, and at Morrissey, 240. Total 1,128 ovens. These ovens represent an expenditure of nearly $1,000,000 in all.

With an average daily capacity of 1.5 tons this will mean a possible production of 1,692 tons of coke per day, or allowing for 10 per cent not in use, requiring repairs, etc., say 1,000 ovens in constant operation, equal to a daily production of 1,500 tons of coke. Since the smelters of Kootenay and Boundary districts do not now, nor are they likely to for a while, use half this quantity of coke daily, it is evident that there will remain a considerable tonnage available for export to the United States. The proportion of total production exported in 1902 was only about 25 per cent, the remainder having been sold for consumption in Canada.

In 1903 the total quantity exported was 31,089 net tons, leaving available for home consumption 136,650 tons, or 374 tons for each and every day in the calendar year. A considerably larger export tonnage may be looked for this year, for not only is the producing capacity much enlarged, but the Great Northern railway now has direct connection with the Morrissey ovens, which will shortly have a maximum capacity of 120,000 to 130,000 tons a year if the ovens be operated at full capacity, all of which will be available for export, besides a part of the production of the coal company's ovens at Fernie and Michel.

As to the cost of coke—the following statements are quoted. William Blakemore, M. E., who was identified in the capacity of manager, with the Crow's Nest Coal company during the earlier development operations at its Coal creek colliery, and has ever since kept in touch with the coal mining industry here, is authority for these assertions: "At the moment the charge for coal is $2, and for coke $4 at the ovens (Fernie). Effective competition would reduce these figures to $1.50 and $3 at the ovens, and possibly a little lower. The actual cost of shipping one ton of coal need not exceed $1, and will almost certainly be less after allowing for every item of charge. This would give coke at a cost of $2.25 to $2.50 and would leave a margin of 50 cents profit on coal and 75 cents on coke, which is at least double the average rate of profit on coal and coke in the eastern states or in England over the last 20 years." Against this opinion must be placed the following from the address of Elias Rogers, managing director, at the meeting of shareholders in the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company last year: "I might mention that there has been no profit on the coke operations of the company, taken as a whole, during the last year, after charging the coal to the ovens at its proper value. This is due partly to the disadvantageous conditions under which the company has been working, but more especially to a reduction of 50 cents (to $4) per ton in the price of coke, which took effect January 1st, 1902. This reduction was made by the direction of the board owing to strong representations on the part of the smelting companies in British Columbia, that their very existence depended on their obtaining coke at reduced cost. The price of coke from the Fernie ovens was advanced 25 cents per ton on September 1st, the cost of freight on the coal to the ovens at that point being about 24 cents per ton, which charge is not incurred at Michel. This reduction from the price charged the previous year made a difference of about $50,000 in the company's profits for 1902. I would like it to be clearly understood that this reduction was not made in consequence of competition from any other source. On the contrary the company could have marketed the entire product at an average increase in price of from $1 to $1.50 per ton. The price of coke which has prevailed in the United States for the past eight months has probably averaged at least $2 per ton more than in the previous year. In other words, the company could have realized approximately $150,000 more for its coke product for the year 1902 than it did, but it was thought better to assist the smelting industry of British Columbia in the crisis through which they were passing, by keeping prices down with the view to promoting the general expansion of business in the west and obtaining permanent results rather than seeking to take advantage of temporary conditions to enhance present profits."

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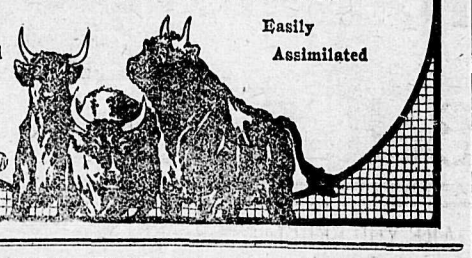

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SITTINGS OF THE SUPREME COURT YESERDAY.

At the supreme court sittings yesterday before chief justice Hunter and a jury, the trial of the Lamb Lumber Company, of Minneapolis, against the Revelstoke Lumber Company, for breach of contract to deliver 500,000 feet of lumber, was continued from the previous day and occupied the time of the court until an adjournment was taken at 4:45.

Eveneually the plaintiff succeeded, the jury awarding them $2,250 damages.

During the morning session George Birtch and Robert Howson were examined on behalf of the defendants, and at noon E. P. Davis, K. C., commenced his address to the jury, which he concluded a few minutes before the 1 o'clock adjournment for lunch. Council appealed to the jury to find thrat the loss of logs sustained by the Revelstoke Lumber Company, when their boom broke was a sufficient reason for not complying with the written contract, which he said the American lumber firm were trying to enforce after the manner of "Shylock."

After lunch S. S. Taylor, K. C., took the jury in hand on behalf of the plaintiffs and in his review of the evidence and of the correspondence, which passed between the parties previous to suit, the learned council *declared that his clients had acted* throughout with the greatest consideration, while the defendants had jumped at the first opportunity to break their contract, no matter what might happen to the plaintiffs in consequence. He urged that his clients were entitled to substantial damages, as the defendants either never had the proper timber on their limits when they entered into the contract, or deliberately broke the agreement because they could get more for their lumber in the Northwest Territories, where they actually sold it later, a great demand for lumber having sprung up there subsequent to the execution of the agreement sued on.

Mr. Taylor made an exhaustive address speaking for an hour and ten minutes, and closed at 3:10.

The learned judge then charged the jury and although his lordship repeatedly instructed the jurymen that they were the sole judges as to the facts submitted, his charge generally was favorable to the plaintiffs contention.

The jury, after being out a little over an hour, returned with a verdict in favor of the Lamb Lumber Company, and assessing the damoges at $2,250. On Mr. Taylor's motion the court directed that judgment be entered up for the plaintiffs *for the amount of the damages mentioned* and full costs.

The court then adjourned until 10:30 this morning, when a start will be made on the Star M. & M. Co.'s case against the B. N. White Comapny, which is expected to last for the next two weeks.

A STELLAR ATTRACTION.

"What Happened to Jones" to be Produced This Evening.

"What Happened to Jones," said to be one of the most pronounced comedy successes of the past ten years, will be presented here this evening at the Nelson opera house by identically the same company that has played the comedy in the large cities of the middle western states *since last September. The comedy was* written by George H. Broadhurst, author of "Why Shith Left Home," "The Wrong Mr. Wright," "The House That Jack Built," andother notable successes. It has enjoyed long runs in London, New York and other large cities.

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CRAP SHOOTER ARRESTED.

Winnipeg, Feb. 11.—The city police at midnight arrested 23 men for gambling in the Vapor Baths building, shooting craps being the principal diversion.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Princess Fraction (Fractional) Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the north side of Quartz Creek, about 1 1-2 miles from Ymir.

Take Notice that I, F. C. Green, acting as agent for George Brine, Free Miner's Certificate No. B71,984, 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 Improvements.

Dated this seventeenth day of December, A. D. ,1903, F. C. GREEN, Nelson, B. C.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Ashcroft, Clinton, Fredericton Fr., Toronto *Fr., Lilly Mineral Claims, situate in the* Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Morning Mountain, near Venus mine.

Take Notice that I, F. C. Green, acting as agent for P. E. Doolittle, Free Miner's Certificate No. B80,657, intend, sixty days *from the date hereof,* to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

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

Dated this 4th day of January, 1904, A.D. F. C. GREEN, Nelson, B.C.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Bradford Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Morning Mountain, adjoining the Metropolitan Mineral claim on the southeast.

Take Notice that I, F. C. Green, acting as agent for L. L. Merrifield, Free Miner's Certificate No. B. 80,658, 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 Improvements.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1904, A.D. F. C. GREEN, Nelson. B.C.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Elk and Monarch Mineral Claims situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Falls Creek, north of Kootenay River.

Take notice that I, John McLatchie, agent for Alexander McDonald, Free Miner's Certificate, No. B58,348 and Michael C. Monaghan, Free Miner's Certificate No. B58,469, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

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

Dated this 1st day of February, A. D., 1904. JOHN McLATCHIE.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

"Ark" and "Interprise" Mineral Claims situate in the Goat River Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: At the head of 10-Mile and Clearwater Creeks on Mount Ararat.

TAKE NOTICE that I, F. C. Green, acting as agent for Walter M. Fee, Free Miner's Certificate No. B80,604, intend, sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

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

Dated this seventh day of September, A. D., 1903, F. C. GREEN. Nelson, B. C.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

"Genesee" Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located:—About five miles from Ymir on Wild Horse Creek.

Take notice that I, Eugene Croteau, Free Miner's Certificate No. B57996 (agent for Mrs. S. J. C. Atkins, Free Miner's Certificate No. B71628, 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.

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"Storm King," "Gold King," "Gem," "Annie G.," "Nowell," "Robber King," "Tamarac" Mineral Claims, situate in the Goat River Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located:—On White Grouse Mountain.

Take Notice thatI, A. R. Heyland, agent for Hugh Sutherland, F.M.C., B80871; H. Nell, F.M.C., B81158; J. A. Gibson, F.M.C., B58227; *C. R. Holmes, F.M.C., B81159;* 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 ments.

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

1903. A. R. HEYLAND.

Dated this 11th day of December, A.D.,

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

"Independence" Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Wild Horse Creek, about nine miles from Ymir.

TAKE NOTICE that I, F. C. Green, acting as agent for Walter J. Hughes, F.M. C. B58504, Mary Hughes, F.M.C. B58505, Frederick J. Bradley, F. M. C. B80668, Cyril Archibald F.M.C. B58263, and Neil McLennan, F. M. C. No. B62,116, 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 Improvements.

Dated this seventeenth day of December, A.D., 1903. F. C. GREEN, Nelson, B.C.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Cambridge and Astral Mineral Claims, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Morning Mountain, near Venus mine.

Take Notice that I, F. C. Green, acting as agent for Venus Gold Mining Co., Ltd. Free Miner's *Certificate No. B. 80,955, in*tend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims

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The appearance of The Daily News this morning calls for some explanation.

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The gas supply failed.

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The manager of the Gas Company says there was nothing wrong with the pressure The fault was in the pipes. This may or may not be correct, but the fact remains that there was no gas and consequently the typesetting machines could not work.

Under the circumstances the best effort possible was made to produce some kind of a paper and such as it is our readers must accept it with the apologies of the management for its deficiencies.

PRICE OF METALS.

New York, Feb. 11.—Bar silver, 56⅞; amalgamated copper, 47; electrolytic copper, 12⅞; spelter, easy.

London, Feb. 11.—Lead, £11 15s. 3d.

NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

Everybody's club will hold a business meeting tonight at which all members are requested to attend.

J. A. Macdonald, M. L. A., and leader of the opposition, will arrive in Rossland from the coast tomorrow evening.

J. A. Magee, managing director of the Spyglass Mining Co., has gone to Seattle on business connected with the company.

Peter Lamont, of the Canada Drug & Book Co., leaves for the east this morning. He is going to Winnipeg on a business trip.

J. E. Proctor, city ticket agent of the C. P. R., leaves today for Rossland on a business trip. While away he will take in the carnival sports.

Nelson aerie, No. 22, Fraternal Order of Eagles, is growing rapidly in membership and is in a prosperous financial condition. At the last meeting five members were initiated.

The Fernie hockey team will play the Nelson boys at the rink on Monday evening next and the carnival that was to have been held on that evening has been postponed until Friday, the 19th inst.

The funeral of the late John McIntyre, the miner who died so suddenly at the Home hospital on Monday last, will take place this afternoon from the Congregational church at 2 o'clock. Rev. E. H. H. Holman will officiate. Mr. McIntyre is said to be the owner of several mineral properties, some of which are situated in Poplar camp. So far it has been impossible to locate any relatives of the dead man at London, Ontario, or any other point in eastern Canada. The Nelson miners'-union will attend the funeral this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Cameron returned yesterday from Rossland, where they attended the opening of the carnival. Today they leave for Winnipeg, where they will take up their future home. They were married in this city on Monday.

The name of the "joker" in the Living Whist" production at the opera house on Wednesday night, whose dancing and general pranks attracted much attention, was not given in yesterday's paper. The joker was Arthur B. Gilker, son of alderman J. A. Gilker.

H. S. Jones, general traveling agent of the Great Northern railway, with headquarters at St. Paul; F. W. Boldrick traveling freight and passenger agent of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, with headquarters at Spokane, and George H. Williams, traveling freight agent of the Spokane Falls & Northern and Great Northern, came in on Wednesday and left yesterday for Rossland, where they will attend the carnival for a day or two.

A meeting of the Nelson branch of the Provincial Mining Association will be held in the board of trade rooms at 4 o'clock this afternono. S. S. Taylor, president, will preside. It is the annual meeting of the body, and officers for the ensuing year will be elected, the reports of the officers for the year will be read, delegates elected for the session of the Provincial Mining Association which convenes in Victoria next week, and such other business will be transacted as may be deemed advisable.

A. Miller is at the Strathcona, having just returned from a visit to the properties of the La France Mining Co. on La France creek. This creek empties into Kootenay lake at a point a short distance south of Crawford bay. Mr. Miller says the force of men engaged in developing the property has just encountered a body of fine looking ore in the lower or No. 2 tunnel. The entire breast of the tunnel is in ore. It was found after the tunnel had been driven in for 70 feet. The ore has not yet been assayed, but it is rich looking. An assay will probably be made today and then the value can be announced. The property is about seven miles from the lake. It is owned by a company with headquarters in Chicago, which has ample capital for carrying on the development work.

ROSSLAND CARNIVAL.

Nelson Defeated in Hockey Match by a Score of 2 to 1.

Rossland, Feb. 11.—The winter carnival sports opened with snowshoe races resulting as follows: Three mile championship of British Columbia, won by Charles S. Sangster, Rossland; Cecil B. Winter, second. Time, 36 minutes, over heavy course.

Boys under 9 years, Charles D. Hunter first, D. McQuarrie second.

Boys under 13, Leo Lalonde first, W. O'Neill second.

Boys under 16, G. Lamont first, H. W. Danby second.

Half-mile walk, R. Lamont first, H. W. Ferguson second.

Prospectors' race, Lamont first, Ferguson second.

Girls, Florence Wilson first, Nina Lalonde second.

The afternoon's hockey match was marred by a disagreement between Fernie and Vernon as to one of Fernie's players. It was settled later in the day and the game proceeds tomorrow. Vernon played an exhibition game with the Rossland intermediates, winning by 5 goals to 1.

Tonight 800 spectators saw Nelson defeated by Rossland, score 2 goals to 1. The play was close and exciting, but clean from start to finish.

Tomorrow's program includes more hockey matches, ski running championship events and a snowshoe parade at night. Olaus Jeldness, former champion of the province is here to judge the ski events.

ALL REGRET HIS LEAVING

H. G. NEELANDS' FRIENDS GIVE HIM A GOOD SEND-OFF.

PRESENTED HIM A FINE STERLING SILVER SET.

There was a social gathering in the dining room of the Strathcona last night when some of H. G. Neelands' many friends met to say farewell to that gentleman prior to his departure from this city.

Mayor Hamilton occupied the chair, with the guest of the evening on his right, and John Elliot ably filled the vice-chair. Among those present were: J. Laing Stocks, John Gibson, Dr. E. C. Arthur, J. M. Lay, H. G. Goodeve, H. Selous, A. H. Kelly, Fred Irvine, James Neelands, E. M. Rolfe, James McDonald, C. D. Jarvis, W. E. Ellis, Gib Stanley, W. H. Dowsing, R. G. McLeod, A. G. Gamble, A. E. Buchanan, E. V. Bodwell, K.C., Prof. Parks, A. L. Cavanaugh and W. S. Drewry.

Mayor Hamilton made a brief address expressing the regret of Mr. Neelands' many friends at that gentleman's departure from Nelson and wishing him every success in his new home. Mr. Neelands was asked to accept from his friends the gift of a sterling silver tea service as a remembrance of the years spent by him in this city.

The guest of the evening made a feeling response, thanking all present for the honor done him and for the many kindnesses extended in the past, and expressing the deep regret he experienced at leaving the city.

One after another, those present, under the different toasts proposed, all testified to Mr. Neelands' excellent standing in the community and voiced the general regret at his departure, and at midnight the gathering broke up with a handshake all round for the departing guest.

H. G. Neelands, the recipient of the present, is one of the most popular pioneers of Nelson, as he arrived here from Vancouver in 1891. Immediately after his advent in the then small city of Nelson he embarked in the picture and photograph business, locating on the north side of Baker street near Ward. At this point he purchased lots which had a frontage of 100 feet on Baker street on which he erected business structures. Soon he had a thriving business, which after it had been built up he intrusted to his brother James in order to devote most of his time to mining ventures. The latter business grew so that in 1895 he sold out the picture business to F. G. Painton. In the meanwhile, early after his arrival in Nelson he purchase the Athabasca mineral claim and staked four abjoining mineral claims. The showing of ore was large and he sold the group to Arthur Rand for $40,000 and 100,000 shares in a company to be formed to operate it. Mr. Rand at first formed a local company and then he went to England and interested British capital so that a British company, called the Athabasca Gold Mines, Limited, with a capital of £200,000 in £1 shares was formed to take it over. Mr. Neelands always had great faith in the property and on several occasions when the local company, which first purchased it, was unable to meet the payments, he granted extensions, and this liberal policy enabled the company to finally sell the property to the British company.

In 1896-7 Mr. Neelands acquired the Black Prince, in the Lardeau, the Mayflower, in the Rossland camp, and other claims which he disposed of to considerable advantage. Mr. Neelands was always lucky in his mining ventures when he bought on his own judgment, but lost some money in putting it into the enterprises of his friends.

Within the past few weeks he has sold his property on Baker street for $20,000 and has also disposed of his mining and other property. In short he has sold all of his belongings but his home and intends to leave for Alberta on Monday next. He has purchased 1,000 acres of land near Wetawskin, Alberta. It is a stock ranch and has 150 head of cattle, a number of blooded horses and some large plats which are under cultivation for hay. It is a pleasant country to live in, but still Mr. Neelands regrets having to leave Nelson, where he has so many friends and where he spent so many pleasant and profitable years. Mrs. Neelands and their two sons will not leave Nelson for the Alberta ranch until April.

Mr. Neelands has always been an ardent politician and a strong conservative. At all times he has not only been willing to contribute to campaign funds, but also been a faithful and efficient worker. In 1899 he ran for mayor against John Houston and was elected. Mr. Neelands made a progressive and energetic mayor and the city prospered during his year of office. With his departure Nelson loses one of her most progressive and popular citizens and his departure will be noted with considerable regret by all who knew him.

JERRY GOT OFF.

Judge Dismissed Charge of Stealing a Watch Against Ryan.

Before his honor judge Forin yesterday morning Jerry Ryan, formerly of Ymir, but now serving a two months' sentence in the provincial jail here, was up for speedy trial on the charge of stealing a watch valued at $35 from G. W. Evans at McLeod's hotel on January 21st.

R. W. Hannington prosecuted on behalf of the crown. The prisoner was undefended. Evans identified his watch but could give no idea of how the prisoner got hold of it. He and the prisoner were rooming together at McLeod's but there was a good deal of drinking going on and the witness' recollection of what happened on the night of the alleged theft was decidedly uncertain.

Archie Macdougall, bartender at McLeod's, testified that the prisoner wanted to raise some money on the "ticker" and that he gave him $5 in cash and set up the drinks for the house twice, making a total of $6.50. The prisoner gave up the watch, but said he was working and would redeem it.

Ryan was sworn in his own behalf and at once admitted pawning the watch and said that he and Evans had been having a social time together for some days, and their money having all gone he suggested going to bed. Evans pulled out his watch to see the time, and Jerry suggested that the ticker would be good for more booze. Evans handed him the watch and he raised the money as described by the bartender. Evans went to sleep and he, Ryan, spent some of the $5 for more drink then and the balance next morning.

Recalled by the crown, Evans would not deny the truth of the prisoner's story. He could not recall, he said, what happened, but he did not think he had given up his watch.

Judge Forin dismissed the charge with a few caustic remarks about people who went on prolonged sprees and lost their money and jewelry. Ryan was taken back to jail to serve out the remainder of his sentence on former convictions.

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