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RICH PLACERS LOCATED

On Nahaani River Near Junction of Laird and Dease Rivers

Stampede of Miners From the Northern Camps to New Gold Fields Which Are Reported to be Marvellously Rich

Victoria, March 31.—Jack Hyland, a pioneer trader of Telegraph creek, B. C., has arrived with specimens of gold from the latest field, the Nahaani river, near the junction of the Laird and Dease rivers, northeastern British Columbia.

The discovery was made by Hyland's manager, John Morrow, two years ago.

Recently Morrow sent an Indian to try the river beds, not thinking there was much in it. The Indian, who had placer mined in Cassiar, made a rude sluice box and shovelled in some dirt. In an hour he got a big handful, which he brought out to Telegraph creek. Hyland purchased it at $17 an ounce, and experts pronounce it equal to anything ever found in the northwest.

The Indian said that there was an unlimited quantity of the stuff where he was sluicing. The news has caused a stampede all over the north. Miners are rushing from all quarters to the new fields, although the ice and snow are heavy on the ground and water. Hyland and his partners have already staked out claims.

The new field is easily reached from Telegraph creek.

THREATENED STRIKE IN MONTREAL

Independent Steamship Companies to Import English Dock Laborers.

Montreal, March 31.—"The independent steamship companies have decided that they will not stand by the agreement unwillingly made with the Longshoremen's union at the beginning of the season of navigation last year, and are now offering inducements to English dock laborers to come to Montreal."

This announcement, made by W. I. Gear, of the Reford Company, limited, who control the Donaldson, Thomson and Lord lines, that they had notified their agents to tell English dock laborers that there would be lots of work in Montreal, is accepted by the other independent companies as the opening of another fight. As the steamship business is in a very unsatisfactory condition at present it is regarded as a favorable time to settle the big question in the way that the independent companies want. At the time the existing agreement was made, the Reford and other independent companies were opposed to it, and it was only when sir Thomas Shaughnessy, in behalf of the Canadian Pacific railway, announced that his company would accept the offer of the longshoremen whether the independent companies did or not, that they finally agreed.

Mr. Gear, in discussing the situation, said that the companies were not undertaking to pay the board of the men who came out, as they did last year, but wanted to be prepared for trouble, and would treat the English laborers the same as they would the longshoremen. The Longshoremen's union insist they will go on strike unless the present agreement is lived up to.

BANK OF ENGLAND DIVIDEND.

Below Ten Per Cent per Annum For First Time in Seven Years.

London, March 31.—The Bank of England, at its semi-annual meeting declared a dividend of 4 1-2 per cent. for the past six months. This was the first time in seven years that the dividend has been below 10 per cent per annum. The governor of the bank said the profits for the six months ending February 29th were £663,041, and that after providing for the dividend the amount of the "rest" on that date was £3,018,780. The profits of the bank in the corresponding six months a year ago were £739,815; in 1902, £738,896; in 1901, £725,596; and in 1900, £736,149. Since 1897 the Bank of England has paid annually 10 per cent. In 1896 8 1-2 per cent was paid, 3 1-2 per cent in the first half and 5 per cent in the second. In 1895 8 1-4 per cent was paid, 4 per cent in the first and 4 1-4 per cent in the second half of the year. Highest and lowest prices for Bank of England stock in the first two months of 1904 have been, respectively, 316 and 311 1-2.

RELIEF FUND STARTED.

By Americans and Japanese to Commemorate Signing of Perry Treaty.

Tokio, March 31.—At a meeting of Americans and Japanese today in commemoration of the 15th anniversary of the signing of the Perry treaty between Japan and the United States, an American war charity, called the Perry Memorial relief fund, was organized with much enthusiasm. The sum of $37,500 was subscribed at once and it was decided to organize committees in all the larger cities of the United States. The fund will be disbursed under the direction of the emperor, practically for the purpose of aiding the destitute families of soldiers and sailors.

SLOCAN MINING NOTES.

Ore from the Sweet Grass on Goat Mountain, has assayed as high as $30 in gold, and 1100 ounces in silver. The property is under bond to M. S. Logan, of Nelson.

Since March 1st, John Kinman, and partners, have taken two carloads of rich ore from the Neepawa. They are operating the property under lease

So far this year the Rambler-Cariboo has shipped 275 tons of ore.

Three men are engaged in developing the Glenora in the Slocan, and it is said that indications point to the making of a mine.

The Wakefield in the Slocan has shut down awaiting a supply of water for the mill. There is no more room for the storing of ore either at the mine or the mill.

The Slocan ore shipments from January 1st to March 28th aggregated 3,704 tons.

NEW GOLD SAVING PLANT

TO BE INSTALLED AT THE OYSTER-CRITERION STAMP MILL

OBJECT IS TO SAVE THE GOLD IN THE TAILINGS.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Camborne, March 30.—With a view to saving the gold in the tailings from the Oyster-Criterion stamp mill, owned by the Great Northern Mines, limited, an experimental plant is being installed by L. C. Park, of Vancouver. The machinery for the plant weighing some 10 tons is now being hauled into Camborne by Alec Crawford who has the contract. Mr. Park is, for the present, reticent on the method to be employed to save the yellow metal, simply stating that he intends carrying on the experiments at his own expense, and that just so soon as he can prove his theory to be correct will make a public announcement. The tailings are said to carry from 80 cents to $1 per ton in gold.

The Great Northern Mines, limited, is negotiating for 10 additional stamps for its mill here and for that purpose general manager W. B. Pool is at Vancouver. He is expected in camp in about a week's time, unless he goes direct from the coast to Calgary and thence to the east.

SARDOU HAS AN ANNIVERSARY.

Paris, March 31.—Victorien Sardou, the veteran playwright, will celebrate tomorrow what he is pleased to call his "golden wedding to the Goddess Thespis." It will be just 50 years ago tomorrow that his first play "La Taverne des Trabanes," was produced—and it was an awful failure.

Since that time, however, Sardou has written 70 successes, and his latest, "La Sorciere," in which Bernhardt is now appearing, is as picturesque and wonderfully worked up as anything the famous playwright ever produced. Charles Frohman is now in Paris arranging for the production of the piece in America next season.

Sardou is an old man. He was born September 5, 1831. The complete list of his works as compiled by Rebell, is a formidable one. Foremost among his early successes were such well known plays as "Odette," "Fedora," and "Theodora." Later came "La Tosca," "Thermidor," "Gismonda," "Madame Sans-Gene," and "Robespierre." To this must be added "Dante," written last year, and "La Sorciere."

ANTI-PARKER MOVE.

Albany, N.Y., March 31.—Seeking to hit at ex-senator David B. Hill and to injure the boom of judge Parker for the presidential nomination, the Albany county democracy together with the radical Bryan element of the democracy in New York city have arranged for a banquet at the Stanwix hall in this city on Saturday night. The affair is announced as a dollar Jefferson dinner. The principal speakers of the evening are to be ex-senator Charles A. Towne, judge Samuel Seabury of New York city, and Henry George, Jr., all of whom are known as warm supporters of Bryan and antagonistic to ex-senator Hill and his Parker boom. The underlying purpose of the gathering is said to be a plan to keep Hill from going to the national convention as a delegate.

NEW RAILWAY IN WYOMING.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 31.—The incorporation of the Chicago & Pacific railroad in Wyoming has caused considerable speculation in railroad circles as to the real backers of the project. The announced purpose of the incorporation is to construct a line from Casper, Wyoming, to Ogden, Utah. The Chicago & Northwestern line at present ends at Casper and this fact leads to the belief that the Chicago & Pacific project is a scheme of the Northwestern to build a connection with the two new roads now under construction from Ogden to the Pacific coast and thus become entirely independent of the Union Pacific from Omaha westward.

LAWS OF JUSTINIAN.

Rome, March 31.—The pope, of his own accord, has directed a codification of the Roman civil laws under the emperor Justinian. In his order directing the inauguration of this work, the pope says he will form a commission of cardinals, presided over by himself, for its execution and he asks for the assistance of pastors throughout the world.

WOULDN'T BOX ON GOOD FRIDAY.

Kansas City, March 31.—The twenty-round bout between Hugo Kelly and "Twin" Sullivan, which was scheduled to take place before the Missouri Athletic club tomorrow night will take place Saturday night instead. The reason for the change of date was because tomorrow is Good Friday, and Sullivan refused to do battle on that day.

BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

Paris, March 31.—Lucienne Rorolles, the French amateur, won the championship billiard match from Wilson H. Foss, the American amateur, tonight, by a magnificent effort, including consecutive runs of 94 and 48. The final scores were: Rorolles, 1200; Foss, 1153.

ACCIDENT TO LADY MINTO.

Ottawa, March 31.—As the result of a fall whilst skating yesterday, lady Minto, wife of the governor-general, is confined to her bed with a broken leg.

PACIFIC COAST DEFENSES

British Military Authorities Appreciate Their Importance

Naval Engineers Now Exploring in Vicinity of Port Simpson for Suitable Strategic Points

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, March 31.—Despite reiterated assertions of her strict neutrality in the present war, Great Britain is demonstrating by the thoroughness and haste of her preparations for possibilities on the Pacific seaboard of her Canadian possessions, that the chiefs of her army and navy offices appreciate, as do the British people, that any day's unexpected turn of the diplomatic wheel may force the nation into active association with her fighting ally Japan.

The retiring field marshal and commander in chief, general lord Roberts, said very plainly at a recent important military gathering in the old land that he was fully convinced that the protection of Canada's Pacific coast was at the present time the most important duty (from a strategic viewpoint) of the empire. That the British statesmen and the Canadian government share these opinions and aim to be prepared for whatever may be disclosed by the pregnant future is attested by the various and important preparations quietly initiated at various local points of the empire, and all of which dovetail to strengthen a common end and purpose.

Sir Frederick Borden's new Militia Act, which has already received the approval of the Canadian parliament, is one link in the chain—it going far toward guaranteeing the improved armament and effective drill of the citizen soldiery of the dominion. With it may be naturally coupled the Naval Act of hon. Raymond Prefontaine, minister of marine, under which Canada will establish a volunteer navy at Atlantic and Pacific seaboard towns, one first-class cruiser being built and hereafter maintained at St. John, N. B., and another such at Victoria or this port.

In addition the new Militia Act goes one important step in advance of any similar legislation in the previous history of Canada, providing for what is practically compulsory cadet drill in formation, marching, manoeuvring and the use of regulation arms by all lads of the dominion between the ages of 16 and 18 years. The teaching and encouragement of military rifle shooting was already incorporated in the public school curriculum for boys more than a year ago, and is bearing its expected result in the breeding of a race of keen-eyed, self-reliant young sharpshooters.

Close upon the heels of the Alaska boundary award, came the dispatch of general lord Dundonald, commander of the Canadian militia and a practical soldier of proven skill, to the northern boundaries of the Canadian Pacific seaboard, to report for the war office upon the strategic situation there. His report a brief reference to which was permitted to find its way into the daily press upon his return on the D. G. S. Quadra last December, is expected to have the greatest weight in the formulation of imperial plans of defence now being matured. Lord Dundonald gave its quietus to the bugbear conjured up by the sensationalist press of the United States through possession of the two gained small islands in Portland canal being able to dominate Port Simpson and command the western terminus of the projected new national transcontinental railway of Canada, the Grand Trunk Pacific. The ceded islands, lord Dundonald attested, are low and flat, completely dominated by the heights of Wales island (British) rising at their back.

At the same time the Canadian commander in chief had his eyes opened to the fact that so long as Britain has no fortifications in this section of the new north, so long must she remain impotent to guard against invasion of her railway termini and British Columbia's coast cities by a hostile fleet sent round the northern end of Vancouver island and down the so-called "inside passage" separating that island from the continental mainland. For the adequate protection of British, i. e., Canadian, interests, it is pointed out by lord Dundonald that a naval force must be available to guard the northerly approaches to this "inside passage," and hence a secondary naval base will in all likelihood be established very shortly in northern British Columbia. Herein is found the explanation of the recent reduction of Esquimalt to a commodore's command, the intention being to establish a second supply, repair and direction depot somewhere in the approximate vicinity of Port Simpson. That naval engineers are now quietly exploring all the various heights and harbors in this locality and on the several important islands to the westward, lends color to the suggestion that no time is to be lost in giving effect to lord Dundonald's very practical recommendations.

At and about Esquimalt, too, everything is being made ready at all military and naval stations for whatever may transpire. The new fort on Signal Hill, and all the forts at Esquimalt are models of modernity in that they present no exterior evidences of their character, the green slopes of the hills with flocks of sheep peacefully cropping upon them concealing honeycombs of military preparedness and powerful artillery, rising to the crests upon hydraulic elevators, to be visible only so long as it may take to elevate and fire them—which commands the entrance to Esquimalt harbor, is being pushed to completion with all due expedition. Two large 9.2in. guns are to be mounted therein. The work of blasting out the solid rock for their installation is now in progress and the guns themselves are to be in place and ready for use not later than September. A magazine has also been prepared in a concealed part of the hill. These new guns are to be capable of hurling a 380-pound projectile a distance of five miles, while at an elevation of 15 feet this may be increased to seven miles. The guns are said to cost $26,000 each.

As soon as these are in place it is stated at Esquimalt that steps will be taken toward installing also one of the new steel and wire guns recently purchased by the British government. These are most formidable weapons, hurling their projectiles a distance of 20 miles. With one of these guns in position, Signal Hill will command the strait of San Juan de Fuca, a shot carrying if necessary (and without losing its effectiveness) even to the United States side of the strait.

The armament of Rod hill, another of the forts commanding the entrance to Esquimalt harbor, is also to be materially strengthened, its four guns being increased to six. At the magazine the guards have been multiplied four, five and six-fold, while the facilities for rapid cooling have been doubled within the past 60 days. In the naval yard proper, quick-firing guns are now being installed so as to sweep the harbor and the immediate entrance to it.

HEAVY DEFICIT IN SIGHT

BRITISH REVENUE SHOWS MARKED DECREASE IN PAST YEAR.

SOME FORM OF INCREASED TAXATION WILL BE NECESSARY.

London, April 1.—Commenting on the decrease in the revenue for the year as shown by the returns issued yesterday, this morning's papers estimate that the deficit will approach $35,000,000. The repayment of $15,000,000 advanced to the Transvaal will leave $20,000,000 to be met by some form of increased taxation. Looking to the unchecked growth of the country's expenditures, Austen Chamberlain, the chancellor of the exchequer, is urged by this morning's editorials to endeavor to find some means for a permanent increase of the revenue without having recourse to temporary expedients such as the suspension of the sinking fund or increase in the income tax.

The revenues for the year ending March 31st show a net decrease of $49,936,405, as compared with last year. The total revenue for the year was $756,063,495. This includes $48,334,600 paid to local taxation accounts, leaving a total paid to the exchequer of $707,727,895.

FIGHTING IN THIBET.

Natives Sustained Heavy Losses and Camp Guru Was Captured.

Tuna, British India, March 31.—News has been received here of severe fighting, the Thibetans having attacked the British force under colonel Younghusband. There were two engagements and the Thibetans were repulsed with heavy losses. The British captured the Thibetan camp of Guru.

While the British advance has practically been unopposed, the expedition suffered great hardships from the great cold, and it was sometimes found impossible to use the Maxim guns and rifles owing to the congealing of the oil.

At 8 o'clock this morning a flying column was sent out to reconnoitre the Thibetan camp at Guru, from whence an officer from Lhassa came to interview colonel Younghusband. He asked the colonel to retire with his mission to Yatung, for the purpose of carrying on negotiations. Colonel Younghusband replied that negotiations had been proceeding fruitlessly for 15 years, and that retirement was now impossible. The Thibetan officer withdrew and colonel Younghusband ordered his troops to endeavor to disperse the Thibetans blocking the road without firing upon them.

For a time the tactics of the British were successful, but after a time the attitude of the Thibetan leaders convinced colonel Younghusband of the necessity of disarming them. The Thibetans numbered about 1,500 and their resistance of the effort to disarm them led to a smart engagement. The situation for a few moments was critical colonel Macdonald and colonel Younghusband lying a few yards from the advancing Thibetans. Revolvers and bayonets were used and then a rifle fire was resorted to, at which the Thibetans fled, but not before several casualties resulted in the British ranks.

INFLUX OF CIVIC PRIDE.

London, March 31.—Two hundred and fifty mayors, aldermen and councillors have signified their intention to visit the states and Canada this summer. The program gives June 16th as the date on which they will reach Toronto.

TWICE LORD MAYOR.

Dublin, March 31.—Valentine B. Dillon, twice lord mayor of Dublin, died today.

SKIRMISHING CONTINUED

Between Ping Yang and Wiju Outposts are in Frequent Contact

United States Military Observer Ordered to Retire From Front Until Fitting Accommodation Provided

London, April 1.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Seoul reports that there is continuous skirmishing between Ping Yang and Wiju and that many Japanese have been killed. The correspondent adds that a Korean spy at Ping Yang has been shot by the Japanese.

The Seoul correspondent of the Daily Mail says that the military authorities have required brigadier-general Henry Hallen, United States military observer with the Japanese, to return to Seoul from Ping Yang until they are able to provide him with fitting accommodations.

CREDIT DUE TO KRIZKI.

Sebastopol, March 31.—Responding to a dispatch from the commander of the Black sea fleet, congratulating him on the repulse of the last attempt of the Japanese to block Port Arthur, vice-admiral Makaroff has telegraphed that the chief credit is due lieutenant Krizki, who commanded the torpedo boat destroyer Silni, "a man who knows his business." Through his skill in discharging the torpedoes the Japanese ships were turned from the channel.

PRECAUTIONS AT PORT ARTHUR.

Port Arthur, March 31.—The proclamation of lieutenant-general Stoessel declaring all the territory lying between Port Arthur and the Si-Chou to be in a state of siege, forbids all unauthorized persons to approach the fortifications and batteries, and announces that the sentries have been ordered to shoot anyone who fails to obey the order. The police measures adopted at Port Arthur are excellent, and perfect order is maintained.

PRIZE MONEY EASILY EARNED

St. Petersburg, March 31.—For sinking Japanese merchantmen in Sungari straits at the opening of the war, $75,000 has been distributed in prize money to the crews of the four cruisers of the Vladivostock squadron.

The Russ, the army organ, concludes from general Mishtchenko's reports that the Japanese are continuing their concentration and gradually advancing on their way to Wiju, the advance guard being at Ka San and their outposts ten miles further north.

INTERVENTION IMPOSSIBLE.

Neither Russia Nor Japan Prepared to Accept Mediation Yet.

Washington, March 31.—Careful inquiry at the several embassies and legations interested in the Russo-Japanese war, only confirm the conviction that for the present intervention by the powers is out of the question.

As a European ambassador expressed it today: "Both belligerents have set their jaws, and the powers can only stand aside and watch the fighting. It may be that when Russia and Japan have tasted more deeply of the real horrors of war that they will be inclined to listen to mediation, but my advices from St. Petersburg and Tokio show no indication of this yet."

BARBAROUS BREACH OF LAW

Sinking of Japanese Coasting Steamer by Russian Warships.

Tokio, March 31.—The action of Russian warships in sinking the Japanese coasting steamer Hanyei Maru on Saturday is deeply resented by the Japanese. In official circles the attack upon and the sinking of this vessel near Tachin island is pronounced to be a clear violation of the neutrality of China, besides being an act of wantonness against a defenceless craft. The Hanyei Maru was an old steamer and had been chartered by some correspondents of a Japanese newspaper. After transferring 10 Japanese and seven Chinese from the Hanyei Maru the fire of two vessels was directed upon the steamer and one of the Russian torpedo boat destroyers sent several shells through her hull. When she appeared to be sinking the Russian ships started at full speed in the direction of Port Arthur. Three of the crew of the Hanyei Maru concealed themselves on board when the Russians came over to remove them, and later escaped in a junk from the sinking vessel. The Japanese generally pronounce this affair to be a barbarous breach of law.

RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT

Does Not Sympathize With Anti-American Tone of St. Petersburg Press.

St. Petersburg, March 31.—A correspondent of the Russ, who has just returned from Korea, writes that he knows from official sources that the commander of the U.S.S. Vicksburg did not join in the protest of the other commanders against the Japanese entering the port to engage the Variag and Korietz and later after the fight, when the Vicksburg sent a surgeon, his services were refused. The correspondent is very bitter. He adds that he saw American denials of the incident when he arrived at Port Said, but they are not convincing. He continues: "I saw the report of one of the captains to his government in which the action of the American captain was set forth clearly and categorically in its true colors."

In official circles the action of some newspapers here in attempting to revive hostile feelings against the United States on account of the Vicksburg incident, is sincerely deprecated. The Associated Press is authorized to announce that the government has nothing to criticize in the action of commander Marshall. Moreover it does not sympathize with the Novoe Vremya's editorial of yesterday pointing to the United States as the real commercial and political foe of Great Britain and Russia.

COST OF THE WAR.

One Russian Writer Figures It Out at 450,000,000 Roubles.

London, March 31.—A Russian correspondent of the Times says: It is impossible to estimate the probable cost of the war. One writer estimates that a ten-months' conflict with 500,000 men in the field will cost but 450,000,000 roubles, but it is safe to say the cost would not be less than that of the Turko-Russian war, namely, one milliard roubles (about $600,000,000). According to the last budget available, the balance on hand in January was 312,000,000 roubles, or which 196,000,000 roubles was assigned to extraordinary expensse.

It is difficult to see how any considerable saving is possible in the extraordinary expense, the greater part of which is devoted to railways on which the expenditures must be increased on account of the war. The saving in ordinary expenses will not be much easier. Cutting down the amounts allowed to such categories as agriculture and road-making would add little to the war fund, while materially increasing the burdens of the peasantry. Russian gold in the Imperial Bank is said to amount to 913,000,000 roubles. Deducting the amount required by law to be held as security for the paper currency, there would be 533,000,000 millions available for the war fund, but not without great disturbance to the exchange and great damage to the credit of the country.

Additional taxation is suggested, but the authorities generally agree that the population is already taxed to the limit of endurance. It is also proposed to increase the freight rates on cotton from central Asia and on petroleum from the Caucasus, and this is likely to be done.

TO ALLAY APPREHENSION.

Vladivostock, March 31.—In order to allay the apprehension of the people, the authorities have instituted a search for mines alleged to have been planted by the Japanese, which were to be exploded at an opportune moment.

MAKAROFF FEELS GOOD.

Cronstadt, July 31.—The president of the war relief society has received a cablegram from vice-admiral Makaroff, dated Port Arthur, March 29th, which says: "Last night was a very hot one, but we cannot hope for a very quiet time either now or in the near future. I sleep without undressing in order that I may be ready for an emergency, consequently I cannot observe your medical advice to take care of myself. Nevertheless, I feel splendid."

ON AN ERRAND OF MERCY.

Seattle, March 31.—A party of war nurses headed by Dr. Anita McGee sailed for Japan today.

SKATERS AND HOCKEYISTS

May Be Barred Out of New Rink Unless Plans Are Changed.

It was pointed out at the curling meeting this week that if the new rink which the curlers propose to build in conjunction with the Agricultural association, had no provision for skaters and hockey players, that at least one sport in which Nelson has taken pride and enjoyment in, hockey, would be allowed to disappear, and that another sport, lacrosse would suffer materially. Possibly if they consulted their own comfort and convenience only, the curlers would get along better by having a building for curling only, but it will be at the expense of other interests which Nelson people will hardly like to see suffer and die out. It was further pointed out that skating and hockey could easily be made to play an important part in the financial end of the new concern and that without these interests the curlers would have to dip down pretty deep in their pockets to keep up the rink. The committee of seven selected at the meeting have the whole matter in hand and devout hope is expressed that when the committee's report comes up for consideration at the next meeting it will be found to contain some provision for the skaters and hockey players.

The curlers may get along without the skaters and hockey players but the latter, it is asserted, will be put out of business if they have to hold up a separate rink on their own account. Mr. Mason for the tramway company has already stated that without the curlers the old rink could not be maintained.

AFFAIRS IN THE BALKANS.

Rome, March 31.—The governments of Italy and Austria have concluded a complete agreement regarding affairs in the Balkans, by which the status quo in those states are assured, both powers pledging themselves to undertake territorial occupation. The agreement is regarded as putting an effectual stop to trouble in the Balkan states.

RINGLEADERS ARRESTED

Break-up of Gang Engaged in Ridding Canada of Surplus Chinese

Worked Between Windsor, Ontario, and Detroit, Michigan--Big Money in the Business

Chicago, March 31.—An organized gang for the smuggling of Chinese into the United States by way of the Canadian border is believed to have been broken up by the arrest today of the three Chinamen, who, it is said, were active agents of the organization.

The arrest of an American, the ringleader, is all that is lacking to make the breaking up of the smugglers complete, it is said, by government agent who have been working secretly here for several weeks.

Those arrested are Lam Chee, a prominent Chinese merchant of Chicago; Leong Man, of Joliet, Illinois, who admits paying Lam Chee $150 to arrange for the smuggling of a countryman into the United States, and Leong Dock, of St. Louis, cousin of Leong Man, and a patron of Lam Chee.

For several months the United States authorities have been aware of the existence of an organized gang which has been smuggling Chinese across the Canadian border, principally between Windsor, Ontario and Detroit, Michigan. An investigation was fruitless, until last January, when the dead body of a Chinaman was found in a refrigerator car at St. Louis. The car was traced to Windsor, Ontario, and it was found, according to officers, that Leong Man and Leong Dock, cousins of the victim, had paid Lam Chee $300 to smuggle him across the Canadian border. The white agent of Lam Chee is being sought. Lam Chee and Leong Man denied the charges today and the hearing was set before a United States commissioner for April 8th.

FRASER RIVER BRIDGE.

The New Structure to Be Formally Opened on Dominion Day.

New Westminster, March 31.—Provided future progress on construction of the Fraser river bridge is maintained, the citizens propose to have the official and formal opening on July 1st. If the good luck which from the first has attended the operations continues with superintendent Julien and his staff, it appears quite possible that both trains and teams, as well as foot passengers, may be crossing the bridge by Dominion Day. The provincial government has placed an order with the Brunette Sawmills Co. for 3,500 pieces, 150,000 feet of timber for the new approach to be put up on the south side for the better accommodation of the general public and especially of the people of West Surrey and the Delta who, if the original plan of approach was not improved upon, would have been put to much inconvenience and delay in getting on to the bridge. The new approach will be completed before the bridge is finished.

SOUNDS REASONABLE.

Entitled to Remuneration But Not Confiscation of Property.

Helena, Montana, March 31.—The supreme court, in an opinion by associate judge G. H. Gilburn, has reversed the judgment of judge William Clancy, of the district court of Silver Bow county, allowing Thomas Hinds $200,000 as compensation and $31,116 as expenses for five days he was receiver of the Boston & Montana properties in the case of Forester and McGinnis of the Boston & Montana. The opinion states that the receiver is entitled to remuneration, but that the property of the defendant should not be confiscated.

BOTKIN TRIAL PROCEEDS.

San Francisco, March 31.—Owing to the charges made yesterday of an attempt to tamper with jurors, it was understood that the first proceeding today in the Botkin murder trial would be the discharge of the jury, but the trial proceeded as usual. Attorney Knight stated to the court that contrary to the advice of her counsel, Mrs. Botkin insisted on the trial continuing, saying she was satisfied the jury would render a just verdict. The prosecution finshed its case today.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE.

Japanese Officers Inspect Stettin Shipyards With View to Placing Orders.

Berlin, March 31.—That Japan already is planning for a rapid renewal of her fleet as soon as the conflict with Russia is ended is inferred from a journey made by the Japanese naval attache and a number of higher Japanese officers to the Stettin shipyards today. They made a careful inspection of the yards, noting their capacity for the building of various craft, particularly of torpedo boats.

SHORT OF CASH.

Boston, March 31.—The Union Trust company closed its doors today.

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FORMS OF SLAVERY.

Australia purposes developing a cotton industry with "indentured" black labor, while South Africa intends to replenish her supply of mine laborers with Chinese under contract to work for certain periods. Both of these are forms of slavery. The British government in the past has spent millions of dollars to suppress the African slavery trade, and yet a step in the direction of slavery is being taken in two of her colonies. In South Africa the consent of the British government has been obtained to legalize the importation of Chinese laborers into South Africa to work in the mines. In Australia the black Polynesian laborers are to be used in the "indentured" form without the necessity of asking the British government for its consent. This form of labor has been used to a large extent in Australasia in the past, and Mark Twain in his book "Following the Equator," speaks feelingly of the evil.

The men who fought for British supremacy in South Africa are not to be allowed an opportunity to work in the mines, which would probably have been confiscated by the Boers had they won. They would want fair compensation for their work. The Chinese, who come in under contract extending over a period of years, are to be given employment because they will work cheap. White men are to be thrust aside in both South Africa and Australia in order that a servile class may be given employment. Both these countries will in time deeply regret that they allowed corporate and private greed to have its way. The people of the southern states of the United States at one time wanted cheap slave labor and were allowed to have it. It took a four years' war, which cost millions of dollars, to free the slaves, and today, 40 years after the war is over, the negro question is as great a problem as it was when slaves could be sold like cattle.

CIGARETTES.

The attention of parliament was occupied for some time the other day in consideration of a resolution, that it is expedient to bring in a bill to prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

In the course of a lengthy debate it was asserted that there had been an increase of 40,000,000 cigarettes manufactured in Canada in 1903 over the previous year, the number manufactured within the dominion in 1903 being 178,000,000.

Possibly cigarettes are not good if smoked in large quantities; they certainly afford very poor satisfaction to confirmed smokers of pipes and cigars, but to say that no one is to be allowed to smoke them even in limited quantities is carrying parental government a little too far. To prohibit the sale of cigarettes to boys under 18 is possibly a wise measure, but the remedy for the admitted evil of youthful indulgence in tobacco rests with parents and teachers. Legislation never has and never will exercise a really useful influence over men's appetites.

E. B. Osler was not far afield when he asked to be permitted to suggest to his lady friends who are promoting the anti-cigarette bill, "that there is more evil done in Canada by bad cooking than by cigarettes."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier was equally happy in his remarks. He said that they were all agreed that tobacco was injurious to immature persons, and that to grown up men it was not at all injurious or obnoxious. The resolution before them went too far altogether. If cigarettes did harm only to immature persons it was not logical that grown up persons should be prevented from using them. "For my part," continued the premier, "I have always been opposed to prohibition, simply because it seems to me that in the prohibition of a thing which is not in itself an evil the law would be disregarded, and I think it always is an evil in a community to pass a law that would not be accepted by the respectable part of the community. Why should you prohibit the use of cigarettes in this country? Why should you prohibit the manufacture or the sale of cigarettes, if a man can smoke a cigar or a cigarette without any injury to himself? If a man prefers a cigarette to a cigar, why should he not have it? The resolution goes altogether too far, and I agree with the leader of the opposition, that we should try to reach the evil by preventing boys from smoking cigarettes. We should prohibit them using tobacco in any form whatever. If we did that we would do far more for the health of the country than by passing the resolution before us. The noxious part of a cigarette is its cheapness. If a boy has five cents, instead of buying candy, as we did in my old days, he buys cigarettes."

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THE LARDEAU MAIL SERVICE.

Perhaps it is a little too soon yet to expect any definite action in response to the resolution of the board of trade requesting immediate improvement in the mail service to the Lardeau district. Still the subject too vitally concerns the business men of Nelson to permit of its being lost sight of until the desired end has been obtained.

In a very large measure the unsatisfactory condition of affairs in regard to the Lardeau mail service, as well as the service in other parts of the interior, is due to the fact that the provincial inspectors have their headquarters either in Vancouver or Victoria and consequently are not in touch with the rapidly growing needs of the mining districts of Southern British Columbia.

The death of inspector Dorman provides postmaster-general Mulock the opportunity of appointing as his successor an energetic man, thoroughly acquainted with the mining districts, whose headquarters could be established either at Revelstoke or Nelson. There is no good reason why the inspectors should all be located at the coast and there are certainly many excellent reasons why someone having knowledge and appreciation of the requirements of the interior should be appointed.

It must be borne in mind that Vancouver and Victoria officials never yet have been able to realize the needs of the Kootenays. Whether these officials be in the employ of the dominion or provincial government they invariably treat with contemptuous neglect the reasonable requests of this portion of the province.

W. A. Galliher, M. P. can render his constituents a valuable service by securing the appointment as successor to the late Mr. Dorman, an official of mental capacity great enough to grasp the importance of efficient mail service in the new mining sections of the Lardeau and who will have both the time and the inclination to see that existing mail services are properly conducted.

There is plenty of work to keep a live man busy in Southern British Columbia nowadays looking after the rapidly expanding work of the post office department.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The establishment of a zinc enriching plant in the Slocan and of a zinc refinery in the vicinity of Fernie in the near future will give a decided impetus to that branch of the mining industry. Mr. Aldridge tells us that lead corroding works will be in existence in Canada before long. He hints at extensive additions to the Trail smelter to cope with the anticipated increase in lead production. Mr. Campbell suggests that under the new conditions likely soon to come about in the Slocan and east Kootenay mining districts the directors of the Hall Mines smelter will be disposed to consider favorably investment of additional capital in modernizing their plant here. These things indicate a healthy state of affairs and presage increased activity at the mines and consequently greater demand for well-paid labor.

Nowhere in the province will the outcome of the request of the dominion government that certain modifications be made in the regulations governing the payment of the lead bounty be awaited with keener anxiety than in the town of Moyie, where is located the great St. Eugene mine. If the request be granted this mine will be worked to full capacity, giving employment to upwards of 300 men. The business men of Moyie have experienced a long period of dull times and it is to be hoped that when the turn in the tide comes they will not soon again have to go through the trials of the past few months.

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TWO BROTHERS SUICIDED WHILST STOCK STARVED.

Regina, N. W. T., March 31.—One of the most ghastly and tragic affairs, with a touch of mystery such as has never occurred in the Northwest Territories before, has just been brought to light about 16 miles from here. For some weeks past the surprise of the neighbors has been more or less aroused by the deserted appearance of a farm at the Boyle settlement, belonging to two brothers named Norris. No investigation was made for many days. At last someone, more curious than the rest, found a dead dog tied to a chain, having died of starvation. A glance through a window of the house showed a sight gruesome enough to chill the stoutest heart. Face downwards on the floor, with arms outstretched, one brother was seen, while near by, lying on a bed, was the other, both beyond question sleeping their last sleep. Horror stricken, several neighbors broke in a door of the house, which had contained for over two weeks only the two grim silent figures which once had been warm flesh and blood. Lying between them on the floor was a small, but tell-tale bottle, yet containing the remains of some poison.

Although there was apparently no motive for these two men to have taken their lives, yet it appears but too probable that they deliberately committed suicide.

An examination of the stable showed a picture even more pathetic, perhaps, than that in the house. Stretched on the ground, with protruding eyeballs and ribs sticking through their tight stretched hides, were the bodies of four horses. The awful agony that they had undergone until death relieved their sufferings was proved by the fact that the boarding had been gnawed and in some places eaten right through by the starving beasts. The whole affair is wrapped in considerable mystery, and an inquest will be held.

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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 of 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 locator 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 a Royalty of 2 1-2 per cent of the sales of the products of the location.

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 are 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 beds 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 miners for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged beds 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 or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 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 a mining recorder's office. One extra day is allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

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

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

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.

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 discoverer at the rate of $1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, February, 1904.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

PRODUCTION OF GOLD

FOR THE YEAR 1903 IT AMOUNTED TO $327,049,750.

INTERESTIN GDATA AS TO COST OF WINNING IT.

(Written for the Mining and Engineering Review by John W. Gray, E.M.)

The estimated production of gold for the year 1903 is the greatest on record. In the great geographical divisions of the world the production is said to have been about as follows:

North America	$108,118,340
Australasia	88,170,909
Africa	67,623,481
Europe	26,383,200
Asia	23,993,820
South America	12,310,000
Other countries	450,000
Giving a total sum in the aggregate of	$327,049,750

Over 40 of the political divisions of the earth produce the metal in large or small amounts, the seven greatest producers being as follows:

Australasia	$ 88,170,909
United States	74,425,340
Transvaal	61,527,231
Russia	24,000,000
Canada	19,500,000
Mexico	12,550,000
India	11,118,820
Giving a total for these seven divisions of	$291,292,300

China, Rhodesia, Korea, Brazil, Hungary, French Guiana, Colombia, Japan, Peru, British Guiana and Central America come next, their production varying from $6,000,000 to $1,100,000, in the order named.

The production of the United States, in detail, was as follows:

Colorado	$ 22,000,000
California	16,535,525
Alaska	6,921,157
South Dakota	6,889,302
Utah	5,064,599
Arizona	4,784,000
Montana	4,134,367
Nevada	3,576,227
Idaho	2,067,183
Oregon	1,364,341
Washington	434,109
New Mexico	372,093
South Carolina	102,573
North Carolina	97,571
Georgia	63,752
Wyoming	8,289
Alabama	5,085
Virginia	4,506
Maryland	620
Tennessee	41
Total for United States	$ 74,425,340

The production of California is estimated at $16,535,525. Of this amount the hydraulic mines are supposed to have produced $1,200,000, the drift mines $900,000, and dredging operations, $800,000. The remainder, $13,635,525, is the yield of the quartz mines, except a certain small amount from mines other than gold, and from surface, gulch, bar and river mining.

Now all these millions of gold come from many places and many mines. From placer deposits of the various kinds; from river gravels, old and new; from mines of gold, mines of silver, mines of copper, mines of lead, and it is not probably known with real accuracy what proportion of the total comes from any one of the sources mentioned. It is known, however, that a very large proportion comes from mines worked strictly for gold alone, and so such properties, when found and proved to be payable, are eagerly taken and prized as the safest of investments.

The greatest producing gold mines operated at present are found in Australasia, India, the Transvaal, the United States and the republic of Mexico. There are, of course, a large number of mines in the countries mentioned, and in some other countries, which are very considerable and satisfactory producers, and a certain smaller number, not now much talked about, which, with proper development, may rank with the best. The space of this article will only permit a general reference to such matters, but it is not out of place to state that the industry of gold mining seems most promising, and that legitimate enterprises now claim the attention of even the conservative class of investors.

It may also be stated that the great mines, while they produce a good proportion of the worlds yield, do not by any means monopolize the industry, and it is probable that the large number of small mines, conducted wisely by honest and capable men, result in as much gain to all interested as do many of the greater enterprises. A great deal of nonsense, however, about gold mining, is written and believed, and a great deal of money unwisely invested in the industry. It costs a good deal more in many places, to produce a dollar's worth of gold, than many people think. Dishonesty, extravagance, incompetency and bad judgment, both within and without the business, handicap the industry, and the result is that, in the aggregate, the total produced costs more than it rightly should. Conditions are improving, however, and mining is fast becoming the honorable occupation of conscientious, capable, well-trained men, whose efforts will eventually place the industry in the front ranks of human endeavor.

Now gold occurs in many different kinds of mines In various rocks, in pockets, shoots, little and big veins, extensive deposits, large formations, and in other ways. Its gangue is also of different kinds, hard, soft, tough, brittle, some easy and some difficult to work. Again the gold occurs fine or coarse, in greater or less amount, confined or disseminated, and free or combined with objectionable matter. These conditions as they may occur, give high or low grade mines, and free or difficult reduction, thus greatly varying the costs of working and the value of deposits.

The majority of the great producing gold mines supply what may be termed high grade ore. Some of the remainder supply fair grade only, and the rest quite low grade ore. As regards producing capacity, there are said to be upwards of 30 great mines which could produce at present, under full operation, amounts varying from $160,000 to $400,000 per month. The following approximate information is perhaps worthy of note, as showing to some extent the wide variation in value and cost of working.

Eight mines in the Kalgoorlie district, West Australia, are stated to be producing at the rate of $23,000,000 annually, with an average yield of about $21.50 per ton treated, average cost, $9.25. The Mount Morgan mine, Queensland, for the year ending May 31st, 1903, gave an average yield of $14.30, and the Waihi, of New Zealand, one of $14.15. Two of the great mines of India, one of $22, and, according to a late statement, the average of producing mines in the Witwatersrand goldfields, Transvaal, is about $10.50 per ton treated, those giving less than $7 not being considered payable. Nearer home, in Colorado, at the Camp Bird, a yield of $29.07 was obtained, cost being $10.48. At the Tom Boy property, 82,737 tons treated gave a naverage yield of $9.12, with cost of $5.87. At the Portland mine, 89,664 tons produced an average of $26.18, working cost, $20.92, $9.51 being for stoping and operation, and $11.41 for freight and treatment. At the Independence, ore was worked yielding $20.42 at a cost of $9.89 for working expenses and $7.96 for freight and treatment. At the Mercur mines, Utah, a yield of $3.84 was credited to ore treated at a cost of $2.95. Assay value, $5.05. In South Dakota, at the Homestake, the yield per ton was $3.62, and cost, $3.15, and in Alaska, at the Alaska Treadwell, the yield was $2.20, and cost, $1.29. The items of expense of the two mines last mentioned are of sufficient interest to give in detail, as being actual results obtained from work on a very large scale indeed at two great producing and distinctively low grade mines.

HOMESTAKE.

Mining	$2.04
Milling	.49
Cyaniding	.29
Tramming	.03
Water	.08
Taxes	.05
Interest	.02
General	.15
Total	$3.15

ALASKA TREADWELL.

Mining	$0.9022
Milling	.1614
Sulp. Expense	.1487
General	.0068
San Francisco Office	.0095
London Office	.0017
Paris Office	.0003
Const. Eng.	.0096
New Const.	.0454
Total	$1.2854

As illustrating what is being done in Mexico, it is stated that at the El Oro mine, state of Durango, 110,958 tons of ore treated gave a yield of $9.52, with cost $5.47 per ton. The extraction was 92.7 per cent; mining cost, $1.46; milling, 76c; cyaniding, $1.08; development and general expense, $1.67, and construction, 50c. Cost is given in Mexican silver.

It is thus seen what different results various situations, various occurrences, various conditions and various methods of working produce. The big mines of high grade ore are wonderful producers, but the mines of medium and low grade ore are nearly equal in number and quite satisfactory in production, and it is an important fact that of the two lowest grade mines, the Homestake is said to be the greatest producer in the world, and the Alaska Treadwell one of the very best mines.

California has for 45 years been a producer of gold. The immense yield of its alluvial deposits was the wonder of the world, and for many years the product of its quartz mines has commanded universal attention. $1,400,000,000 is, in round numbers, the production of the state to date, and no one doubts that far into the future the state will continue to be a favored mining region. It has had, and has today, its big mines, and will have more. It has had, and has today, a number of most satisfactory properties, and will have many more. Its hydraulic and drift mines will continue to produce largely, and its dredging operations will be enlarged and extended. It is a state specially favorable for mining operations. Its mines are, as a rule, of the class economically worked, and suitable methods for the extraction and reduction of their ores have been brought to a high degree of perfection.

Statistics of yield and working expenses are not usually made public when mines are worked by individuals or by close corporations. Nevertheless, some interesting data regarding mining in this state has been published from time to time, and it is well known that many mines are worked with real economy. Statements show costs per ton treated at from $2.80 upwards, for the large mines extensively worked. It is probable that the cost of mining per ton treated, on the Mother Lode and at other similar and equally well situated properties, with all costs properly charged to the ore treated, lies between $3 and $5.50, and the writer has himself known of two somewhat typical mines where the expenses actually did closely approximate the two limits given. At deep mines with small veins, at mines in more remote regions, and at mines producing somewhat rebellious ore, the cost is usually much higher. Too much confidence, however, should not be placed in statistics of working costs. Conditions vary so greatly that almost every mine is a problem unto itself, and must be so considered.

As has been stated, a large number of the great producing gold mines yield ore of comparatively high grade. As is natural, such mines prove most tempting to capital, but the low grade property is no longer passed by, since wholesale mining operations and modern reduction machinery and methods have made possible the working of such mines with very satisfactory profit. A large body of low grade rock, if dry and favorably situated as regards cheap power, with water, timber, supplies and reliable labor abundant, and with easy transportation facilities, forms a property well worthy the attention of capital.

If the rock can be quarried, if the ore can be easily crushed, if the gold occurs comparatively coarse, if the ore contains no objectionable matter, and if the sulphurets, if any, are rich, the proposition is at its best. If the gold be fine, if the rock be hard to crush, if the ore contains objectionable matter, if the sulphurets, if any, be poor, and if some additional operation, such as cyaniding the tailings, be necessary to secure a satisfactory extraction, it is not so good, but may still be worthy of most careful investigation.

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BOUNDARY'S ORE OUTPUT

FOR FIRST QUARTER RUNS CLOSE TO QUARTER MILLION MARK.

WORK AT THE CARMI, ON WEST FORK, TO BE RESUMED.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Greenwood, March 31.—E. H. Thurston, of London, England, returned to town this week after an absence of nearly two years. Mr. Thurston previous to leaving operated the Carmi, on the west fork of Kettle river, shipping some very fine ore by teams to Midway, a distance of 50 miles. The wonder was very general why work was suspended on the Carmi, and explanations not quite satisfactory were freely offered. About a month since a friend of Mr. Thurston's obtained control of the Butcher Boy, the neighboring property to the Carmi. It is now given out that work is to be resumed on the Carmi and speculation asks whether or not there is affiliation between the two properties and their management.

The Sally, at Beaverdell, four miles below the Carmi, has recently shipped several cars of ore with satisfactory returns, and this with the prospect of an early railway up the west fork may have been the stimulant required to move the owners of the Carmi into activity. No matter what the reason, however, the people of Greenwood and others interested in the west fork are glad to see Mr. Thurston again on the streets.

George H. Collins, part owner and manager of the Athelstan and Jackpot, in Wellington camp, had two distinguished visitors in the person of Oscar Lefebvre and C. Fernau up to see his property yesterday.

Walter S. Keith has left for Grant's pass, Oregon, where he has accepted a position with A. J. Goodell, formerly manager of the Boundary Falls smelter here. Mr. Goodell is at present erecting a smelter about 40 miles from the Oregon town named. The Boundary's loss in these two men will be Oregon's gain. Mr. Goodell was universally conceded to have few peers and fewer superiors in his profession.

The Boundary, at the end of March, notwithstanding the suspension of shipping from the Snowshoe, at the close of 1903, will have fairly well approached the quarter of a million ton output for the first three months of the year, sufficiently near to justify our prediction at the end of last year that barring momentous unforeseen events, the Boundary would mine and smelt a million tons of ore in 1904.

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GRAND MUSICAL RECITAL

OPENING OF KASLO'S NEW OPERA HOUSE.

PROCEEDS TO BE DEVOTED TO HOSPITAL FUND.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Kaslo, March 31.—The musical recital to be given here on Monday evening under the direction of Mrs. R. V. Bishop in aid of the new hospital, promises to excel anything of the kind ever before given in Kootenay, and the program certainly reflects very great credit upon the musical attainments of some of Kaslo's citizens.

The concert will be held in the new opera house, just erected by the Eagles, and its seating capacity will be taxed to the utmost.

The program will open with Mendelssohn's "Hochzeitmarch" (instrumental) from Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream," the instrumentalists being: Miss Lettie Powell, 1st primo; Elizabeth Giegerich, 2nd primo; R. Hendricks, 1st violin; Hazel Fleener, 1st bass; J. Stephenson, 2nd bass; A. E. Brae, 2nd violin; A. S. Minnion, 'cello.

The remainder of the program will be as follows:

Vocal trio, "Come, 'Tis the Festal Hour, (Vincent Wallace), Mrs. McConaughy, 1st soprano; Mrs. Bishop, 2nd soprano; Miss McKenzie, contralto.

Sextette (instrumental) "Gipsy Rondo," (Haydn), 1st piano, Hazel Fleener, Aileen Garland and Alice Zwicky; 2nd piano, Lettie Powell, Pearl Spiers and Jarvis Stephenson.

Duet, "Star Waltz," (Straeborg), Eliza Dedolph and Everet Zwicky.

Trio, (instrumental), "Jugelfeier Polonaise" (Kramer), Elizabeth and Helen Giegerich and Jarvis Stephenson.

Vocal solo "Waltz Song," (Arditti), Mrs. McConnaughy.

Quartette (instrumental), "Lustspiel," (Keler Bella), Miss Sherraden, Miss Cecelia Green, Miss Carney and Miss Cora Murchison.

Chorus from "Chimes of Normandy" (Collier). Serpelette, Hazel Fleener; Maids, E. Giegerich, C. Green, A. Zwicky, M. Garland, M. Kane, R. Green, E. Dedolph, L. Giegerich, A. Garland, H. Giegerich, L. Spiers and L. Perkins; men servants, R. Green, S. Davis, C. White, N. Beer, E. Zwicky, B. Stephenson.

Quartette, overture from "Tancredi" (Rossini), 1st piano, Mrs. Minnion, Miss McKenzie; 2nd piano, Lettie Powell, Miss Sherraden; accompanied by the orchestra.

Duet, (instrumental) "Meadow Play," (Heller), Mona Kane and Norman Beer.

Vocal quartette, "Kentucky Babe," (Giebel), Mrs. McConnaughy, 1st soprano; Miss Carney, 2nd soprano; Mrs. Bishop, 1st alto; Miss McKenzie, 2nd alto.

Duet (instrumental) "Malufterl," (Krug), Aileen Garland and Brook Stephenson.

Vocal solo, "September" (Loudon G. Charlton), Miss Sarah Carney.

Duet (instrumental) "On the Road to Moscow," (Loetz), Alice Zwicky and Lucile Perkins.

Quartette (instrumental) "Valse in A Flat" (Mozkowski), 1st piano, Lettie Powell and Hazel Fleener; 2nd piano, Elizabeth Giegerich and Mrs. Bishop.

Chorus, "Legend of the Bells," from the "Chimes of Normandy," (Collier). Germaine, Mrs. McConnaughy; Everett Zwicky, Eliza Dedolph, Mona Kane, Rebba Green, Maggie Garland, Laura Giegerich, Alice Zwicky, Helen Giegerich, Cecilia Green, Aileen Garland, Hazel Fleener, Lucile Perkins, Lettie Powell, Elizabeth Giegerich, Pearl Spiers, Miss Sarah Carney, Miss Sherraden, Mrs. Minnion, Miss McKenzie, and Mrs. Bishop.

"God Save the King."

As already stated, the proceeds are to be devoted to the hospital fund and tickets of admission will be 75 cents for adults and 25 cents for children under 15 years of age.

Confide in a Woman

How Women Act While Consulting a Male Physician.

A woman is sick; some disease peculiar to her sex is fast developing in her system. She goes to her family physician and tells him her story, but not the whole story. She holds something back, loses her head, becomes agitated, forgets what she wants to say, and finally conceals what she ought to have told, and thus completely mystifies the doctor. Is it any wonder, therefore, that the doctor fails to cure the disease? Still, we cannot blame the woman, for it is very embarrassing to detail some of the symptoms of her suffering, even to her family physician. It was for this reason that years ago Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham determined to step in and help her sex. Having had considerable experience in treating female ills with her **Vegetable Compound,** she encouraged the women of America to write to her for advice in regard to their complaints, and being a woman, it was easy for her ailing sisters to pour into her ears every detail of their suffering. In this way

Mrs. Pinkham, in Lynn, Mass.,

was able to do for them what the physicians were unable to do, simply because she had the proper information to work upon, and from the little group of women who sought her advice years ago, a great army of her fellow beings are to-day constantly applying for advice and relief, and during the last year many, many thousands every month have written and received valuable advice and help. Nowhere except at Lydia E. Pinkham's laboratory in Lynn is there such an amount of information at hand to assist in the treatment of all kinds of female ills, from the simplest local irritation to the most complicated diseases of the womb. The records of all the many hundreds of thousands of cases as to whic hadvice has been asked are there kept on file by Mrs. Pinkham, and from this vast experience she is able to do more than the family physician for ailing women. Any woman, therefore, is responsible for her own suffering who will not take the trouble to write to Mrs. Pinkham for advice. The testimonials which we are constantly publishing from grateful women establish beyond a doubt the power of **LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND** to conquer female diseases.

A REVIVAL IN MINING

TIME COMING WHEN THERE WILL BE MANY INVESTMENTS.

GOOD ADVICE TO THOSE WHO DESIRE TO PUT IN MONEY.

The report of mining successes is inevitably followed by mining investment, says the Canadian Mining Review. Where money has been made, more may be made. A dividend-paying mine always occasions the purchase of an adjoining property, reputed to have an extension of the vein, and sometimes a whole district is bought up on the strength of one rich spot. The stories that have come from South Africa, Western Australia, Crippie creek, Cariboo, Rossland, Boundary, eastern Ontario, Nova Scotia and other localities where mining is and has been profitably pursued, have revived an interest in the mining industry as an investment. As there is every indication of a revival of mining investment in Canada, it may be well to endeavor to give some counsel to those who may be solicited to put their spare cash into mines. And first we would say to all such, do not spurn the request as a temptation of Satan and treat the proposal with scorn. But rather give it a serious consideration for two good reasons, one of which is that there are certainly great prizes to be had in mining, and the other is that such investment is one of the best ways of benefiting a country. Do not say as did a multi-millionaire the other day, when solicited to put a small sum into a legitimate and promising mining operation, "I would rather take the money and throw it into the ocean, then I should know it was gone, and have done with it; but if I put it into a mine I should lie awake nights and worry about it." There was perhaps some excuse for this good man's petulance, for his office was adorned with a large frame containing very ornamental share certificates of defunct mining companies.

As to prizes in mining, many examples have been furnished during the last 20 years in British Columbia, Nova Scotia, Quebec and, more recently, in Ontario. Prospects that were bought from needy explorers at prices ranging from $100 to $1,000 have been sold for large figures, and again the investors in these mines are receiving dividends from the mineral production. Mines are not all swindles or mere holes in the ground to sink money in. They are frequently good, and when they are good they are often very good. Ore deposits that on the surface only yielded $4 or $5 a ton, upon being followed to a depth, have increased in value to $50 or $60 a ton, and have paid handsome profits. New districts are being opened to which railway transportation will soon be given, and by development are sure in some localities to show rich pay centres that will make the fortune of the lucky investor, or else will prove to be of so good an average that considering the cheapness of mining and treating large masses of ore, the profits will be great and steady.

As to the benefits to the country, we can hardly expect either patriotism or utility to have much influence in deciding an investment. Yet it may have its weight with some minds, and such should understand that money put into mines probably moves a more varied and larger number of industries than any other investment. Every amount expended upon mineral production is divided among a multiplicity of interests, for a mine as a rule involves the creation of a little village of its own, and in the opening of the mine and the mining, transport and treatment of the ore a wonderfully diversified demand is made upon the other branches of production and industry. Mining investment has a good mental effect, and ought to be recommended as a tonic and stimulant for invalids. It is intensely interesting and gives a wide range to the thoughts and opens up inquiry about localities and methods of work that are both entertaining and instructive, and when the telegram comes that the paystreak has been struck and high assays secured, and that the vein has widened with depth, the excitement is so pleasurable that it is as good as a dividend in itself for its effect upon the happy investor.

The greatest difficulty, however, in mining investment, is to decide what is a good venture, and it is on this point that we aim to give some advice to our capitalistic friends. There is no doubt that they have been woefully bitten by glib-tongued promoters, who, coming with all the romance of the wild and woolly west about them, effectually pull the wool over the confiding investor's eyes. Even when they have gone to visit the mine personally they have been equally deceived. After a wearisome journey and the discomforts of log cabin bunks and miners' grub, they toil up the tortuous trail or scramble through the thick underbrush until, when the spot is reached where the treasure is said to be, they are too exhausted to investigate properly, and too disgusted to feel any interest. They willingly accept the representations of others rather than make further effort to examine for themselves. Or if they go into the tunnel or descend the shaft, with eyes scarcely able to peer through the grim darkness, they see nothing but moist, black rock, until the well instructed and wily pit foreman strikes with his pick and hands up a glittering piece of ore, and then another, saying with each stroke, "It is here, and here, and here, and here," until the visitor thinks the whole face of the tunnel is solid ore, whereas it may only have a few streaks that the miner knows just where to strike. Or if the visitor selects samples himself they may be salted. A man was recently met in the wilds of British Columbia looking for a gold mine to put a stamp mill on. He had a mill brought in 150 miles from a railway, but had no mine to employ it. Inquiring as to how so singular a thing happened, he said that he went to examine a mine and was particular to select all the samples of quartz with his own hands, but he incautiously laid the specimens down on the ground, and when his back was turned a man adroitly sprinkled some flour gold over them. The assays went so high that the mine was bought and the machinery ordered, but at last one of the men got faint-hearted and "blowed" on his partner, and new assays of rock proved the mine to be worthless. These stories are common enough, and are only alluded to in order to show how difficult it is for one, who has not the special experience needed for judging, to determine the value of the proposed investment. A novice will not venture to buy flour or grain without the inspector's certificate, yet men will buy mines or mining shares on the merest impulse or the recommendation of strangers, or else will venture upon their own judgment, which has not been trained to the work in view and is therefore valueless. The lesson to be taught is the value of expert testimony—the importance of consulting the men who know about such matters as much as can be known—for it must be admitted that a good deal is necessarily unknown about a mine, and the practical miner often sneers at his skilled professional brother by saying, "One man can see into the ground as far as another." But this remark is not correct, for some men can see a long way into the ground, or at any rate can discern that there is hardly a chance of there being any value out of visual sight.

The maxim we would impress upon the investor is: Look at the men, not at the mines. Consider that you are probably incompetent to judge of a mine by personal examination, and that you must necessarily be at the mercy of some one. Mining investment is largely a matter of confidence; that is the bother of it. But being so, it behooves one to be wary whom he confides in. If a man high in his profession, of good repute and known to have been successful in his undertakings, offers an investment, let it be carefully considered, and give such a one a decided preference over the unskilled promoter who retails his hearsay stories into your ear. It is easy to find reliable men, of skill and experienme, in mining, and we advise intending investors to seek them out and profit by their counsels.

MADE IT A LONG TRIP

TRAINS TIED UP FOUR DAYS BY SNOW BLOCKADE.

MANY IMMIGRANTS ARE NOW MOVING WESTWARD.

Francis E. Armstrong, of Rossland, arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Strathcona, after an absence of a month in Ottawa, where he was called by the serious illness of his father and brother. The former is still very ill, but his brother has recovered. The trip out from Ottawa was very tedious as the train was held up by severe snowstorms at a point 80 miles east of Winnipeg for four days. The wind, which was strong, drifted the snow on the tracks to such a depth that the trains were blockaded. When the tracks were finally cleared there were eight trains tied up at the little station and they made quite a showing when they moved out. When a few miles east of Winnipeg, after getting out of the blockade, the train on which Mr. Armstrong rode had a head on collision with an east bound train. The froce of the collision was great and many of the passengers were thrown down and severely bruised, but fortunately no one was killed.

Times are very good in eastern Canada, and the people there are taking a more favorable view than formerly of mining in British Columbia.

The magnets in the west, however, are the farming and grazing lands in Manitoba and the Northwest territories. The season's hegira has already commenced and the settlers are coming out by the trainload. They are a good class and in most instances have sufficient means to establish themselves on places of their own in the new country. All are full of hope and expect to make money either in wheat or stockraising during the next few years and then, they say, they will return to their homes in the east or in the old country as the case may be. Mr. Armstrong says, however, that most of them after they have established themselves and their families in the Northwest will be so comfortable and so prosperous that they will never care to return to their former homes. Mr. Armstrong stated that a few of the travelers were en route for British Columbia where they intended to go into mining, farming or lumbering. He says when the first rush is over to the territories and the more available land settled, he expects to see a larger number of people than ever flock into British Columbia. Then much of the available land in this province will be settled on and the province will have a boom of considerable magnitude. While he was away a great many inquiries were made of him as to the opportunities for farming, stockraising, storekeeping and for obtaining work in this province, and he says British Columbia's turn for a rush of immigration from the east is not so far away as many people think.

While in Winnipeg he says he met Duke Winters, who was formerly favorably known in Rossland and other sections of the Kootenays. Mr. Winters is traveling for the Kyle, Cheesborough Co., and is doing well. Charles Lockhart, formerly a furniture dealer of Rossland, is also in Winnipeg, and is making a success of his business there. George Stunden, who moved his printing plant from Rossland to Winnipeg, during the depression of a year or two since, has his plant in successful operation there now and is making money.

Ordinary teas are often thin and watery or sometimes bitter. Blue Ribbon is always full-flavored and fragrant and its color is rich and clear. Specially handled from plantation to store. Only one best tea. Blue Ribbon's it.

LATE INSPECTOR CASEY

BURIED WITH MILITARY HONORS AT LETHBRIDGE.

N. W. M. P. LOSE AN EFFICIENT AND POPULAR OFFICER.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Lethbridge, March 31.—The funeral of the late inspector N. S. Casey took place yesterday at 3 o'clock. It was largely attended by friends from a distance and by members of the force. The places of business were closed from half past two until four, and the sidewalks were lined with a concourse of citizens.

Particulars of the unfortunate termination of the busy and useful life of the deceased were not known until the arrival of the brother Geo. Casey, of Butte, with the remains.

The recent raid of the horse "rustlers" in the Cardston district where the inspector made a couple of quick arrests led to the departure of others, who were wanted, and the mission into Montana after these was the work that brought on the pneumonia of which the deceased died. The inspector went to Browning on the Great Northern, bought a horse and having ridden for a good part of four days and four nights found himself obliged to sleep in an outhouse during one night. It was during this exposure that he caught a heavy cold and he was so ill that he decided to go to his brother at Butte. He collapsed on the platform and was delirious most of the time from last Thursday until late Saturday night when his death occurred.

He was given a military funeral under inspector Davidson of Pincher Creek, the remains being carried on an historic ninepounder gun carriage, that was last busy in '85 up north. The cortege left the barracks at 3 o'clock, for the English church. Upon the bier were the union jack and the belt and helmet of the deceased. His favorite horse "King," was led immediately behind with the usual black and white trappings, saddle and the boots of the gallant policeman reversed. The sight was a touching one to those who were accustomed to see the well known erect figure in the streets of Lethbridge. The pall-bearers were six sergeants. The chief mourners were Geo. Casey, of Butte, brother; C. D. T. Beecher, brother-in-law, and Messrs. Matthews and George, sons-in-law of the deceased. Other military mourners were inspectors Duffin, of Calgary, Begin of Lethbridge, Irwin of Cardston, and Primrose of McLeod. Colonel Perry, commissioner of the force, and major Burnett, late of a Kingston cavalry regiment, were also in attendance. A police wagon carried a large number of floral offerings from Calgary, McLeod, Lethbridge and Montana. After the usual English church burial service the procession led to the cemetery.

The firing party lined up at the grave and assisted by the bugler, the last tribute or respect to the dead soldier was given.

Inspector Casey was from Colborne, Ont., and belonged to U. E. Loyalist stock that came over with the first trek from Newport in 1784. He was in the militia of Canada from 62 to 86 and was in the third regiment of Cobourg as cornet and afterwards as captain. He was brigade major of the military camp in Kingston in 1882. In 1886 he was appointed inspector of the N. W. M. P. force and had completed nearly 18 years of service at his death. He got his commission as inspector when the force was increased from 500 to 1,000 after the rebellion of 1885, and served at the Regina, Battleford, McLeod, Edmonton, and Lethbridge posts. During the past eight years he had been principally between the McLeod and Lethbridge posts. He was an energetic and capable officer and has done useful work in the horse and cattle districts where offences are such as demand prompt action, nerve and shrewdness. As a citizen he was highly esteemed being of kindly social qualities and a patron of manly sport. He leaves a wife and three daughters. The eldest daughter, Grace, is married to F. W. B. George, rancher of McLeod, the second daughter, Clare, is Mrs. R. G. Matthews, of the same place, and one daughter, Nora, is unmarried.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that under the provisions of By-law No. 80, "Pound and Dog Tax By-law," is it unlawful for any person to suffer any horse, mule, bull or cow, sheep, goat, pig or other cattle, or poultry, to run at large within the limits of the City of Nelson.

Every owner of a dog in the City of Nelson is required to pay annually a tax of two dollars for each dog owned by him.

No person shall suffer or permit his dog to run at large in the City of Nelson for which such person has not paid the tax required of him, and unless such dog shall have around his neck a collar or strap to which shall be attached a metallic plate to be supplied by the city on payment of the said tax.

Warning is hereby given that any person guilty of an infraction or violation of any of the provisions of the above named by-law is in addition to the fees and charges set forth therein, liable upon summary conviction to a penalty of One Hundred Dollars and the costs of prosecution, and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two months.

By Order, D. C. McMORRIS,
City Clerk.

Nelson, B. C., April 1st, 1904.

Corporation of the City of Nelson

WATER RATES

Water rates for the quarter ending June 30th are now due and payable at the city office. If paid on or before April 15th, a rebate of 10 per cent will be allowed.

By Order. D. C. McMORRIS
City Clerk.

April 1st, 1904.

Corporation of the City of Nelson

ELECTRIC LIGHT RATES

Electric light rates for the month of March are now due and payable at the city office. If paid on or before April 15th, a rebate of 10 per cent will be allowed. By Order.

D. C. McMORRIS,
City Clerk.

April 1st, 1904.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

W. J. Toye wishes to announce to the citizens of Nelson that on April 2nd he will open up a fresh stock of Groceries in the store opposite the Methodist Church, on Silica Street, and solicits a continuance of the old as well as new customers of this store. We guarantee satisfaction and prompt delivery.

W. J. TOYE, Telephone 7 Opposite Methodist Church.

IS A GROWING TOWN

A SCHOOLHOUSE IS BEING ERECTED AT POPLAR

A BRIDGE WILL SOON SPAN THE LARDEAU RIVER.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Poplar, B. C., March 31.—The Trout Lake Topic gave utterance to some very severe strictures upon the conduct of the school inspector, David Wilson, which is very much resented by this community, for although they regret the fact that the inspector could not recommend the government to erect a school house yet, they recognise the impossibility of his doing so under the existing laws, which only warrant the government, in assisting schools where the locality has more than ten children of school age, and does not warrant them in erecting new schools before the conditions are ripe.

The article has evidently been written under a misunderstanding of the facts. Mr. Wilson when here, went most carefully into the facts, and his report was doubtless in conformity therewith and of which we do not complain.

The people here are now erecting a new school house of their own, and the building when completed, will serve for a meeting house for all the various churches, public meetings, and other useful purposes, including perhaps dances.

The people own the lot, and the building will be erected by public subscription, and held by trustees for the people, in the truest and highest species of socialism and self help.

The town is building up rapidly, several new buildings are now completed, others have been materially added to, others plastered, and every car of lumber which comes in is seized as though it were a carload of bread.

The record office is commencing to feel the work of incoming prospectors and several assessments and new claims have been recorded as a result of the development work.

The bridge across the Lardeau river is making good progress, and by the middle of the month will be completed ready for traffic. Its location is immediately opposite the north end of Second street, Poplar Creek, in line with the depot, and will be of great value to the prospector this summer and save him many a mile's tramp.

The hotels are all filling up, the snow is rapidly disappearing, and, by the 24th of May the town will remind the old timers of the early days of the camp last year.

Several carloads of general merchandise arrived today, and a well loaded car of machinery went on to Trout Lake for the saw mill at Trout Lake City.

Camborne, Trout Lake, Ferguson and the other points up here are getting ready for the summer's work, and the feeling throughout the whole of the Lardeau district is one of great satisfaction to all for they believe that there will now ensue a steady improvement in the times.

THE CITY SCHOOLS.

Teachers Will Attend Provincial Convention—Figures For March Attendance

The high and public schools of the city closed yesterday for the Easter holidays. The public school will reopen on Tuesday April 5th, and the high school on Monday, April 11th.

The provincial teachers' convention opens at Vancouver on Monday, April 4th. R. J. Clark, principal of the high school, Charles Fraser, science master at the high school, and A. Sullivan, principal of the public school, will be present at the convention.

An exhibit will be on view at the convention from the Nelson public school, consisting of brush drawings, arithmetic number work, and composition, illustrated maps, the work of the primary, intermediate, and lower grade pupils.

The pupils attending, average actual daily attendance and percentage at the public school for the months of March is shown in the following table:

Class.	Atten.	Aver.	P.C.
I.	31	29.72	95.87
II.	34	30.65	90.15
III.	40	36.26	90.65
IV.	41	36.52	89.07
V.	42	38.21	90.97
VI.	55	49.91	90.74
VII.	50	47.91	95.82
VIII.	47	40.04	85.19
Total	340	369.22	728.46

The total average percentage for the month of March was 91 05 6-8.

CHAMBER APPLICATIONS.

Injunction Obtained in Poplar Deal—Former Sandon Man Attached.

In chambers yesterday before his honor judge Forin, S. S. Taylor, K.C., obtained an ex parte injunction, in the action of George Proulx, of Lardo, against Aug. Buffalo, of Poplar, and John A. Finch and Henry White, of Spokane, restraining Finch and White from paying to Buffalo one-half of the $5,000 instalment due today on the Buffalo group at Second Crossing, near Poplar. According to the affidavits presented to the court, Proulx was the owner of the Dominion, and Buffalo of the Dick mineral claims, which constitute the group. In order to make a deal Proulx conveyed the Dominion to Buffalo and the two claims were bonded to Finch and White in December last for $15,000, payable $1,250 down, $5,000 on April 1st, and $8,750 on September 1st. The first payment of $1250 was, it is alleged made to Buffalo who has retained the whole of it and refused to pay the one-half share to Proulx, hence the present action and injunction application.

In the last mentioned action an order for service of writ ex juris was granted.

Boultbee vs. Pellant, Hannington for the sheriff; Johnson for the plaintiff. Order on consent that sheriff retain taxed costs out of funds in hand.

Re estate of Evon Delour—O'Shea obtained an order for probate of will dated 8th August.

Last Chance Mining Company vs. American Boy Mining Company—Johnson for plaintiffs; O'Shea for defendants. Order granted for special examination in Spokane before W. J. Thayer.

Watson vs. Pieper—Order for judgment against defendant. Johnson for application.

Downes vs. Thomas—Order for service of writ ex juris. Johnson for plaintiff.

Kumlin vs. Dean—Johnson obtained an attaching order against George B. Dean, formerly of Sandon, under absconding debtors' act.

SERVICE OF SONG.

This Evening By Choir of St. Paul's Presbyteria nChurch.

Under the direction of Mrs. Melville Parry, a service of song will be given in St. Paul's Presbyterian church this evening by the choir.

An excellent program has been provided and an enjoyable musical treat may be anticipated.

PROGRAM.

Organ Solo—Crucifix.....F. Faure
Mr. Bodmer.
Hymn—No. 51.....
Congregation and Choir.
Anthem—Holy Art Thou....(Largo) Handel
Choir.
Duet—My Faith Looks Up to Thee. Bassford
Mrs. Melville Parry and Miss Greecey.
Anthem—God is a Spirit.....Bennett
Choir.
Solo—My Redeemer and My Lord...Dudley
Mrs. Melville Parry [Buck
Anthem—Christian the Morn.....Shelly
Solos, Mrs. Parry, Mr. R. Clark and Choir
Organ Solo—Ave Verum.....Gounod
Mr. Bodmer
Hymn—No. 163.....
Congregation and Choir.
Anthem—God So Loved the World.....
.....(Crucifixion) Stainer
Choir.
Solo—Face to Face.....Johnson
Mr. R. Clark.
Anthem—Christ Our Passover.....Schilling
Choir.

NEW SOUTH WALES WHEAT CROP

Eleven Million Bushels in Excess of Best Previous Record.

Sydney, N. S. W., March 31.—The work of harvesting this year's wheat crop is nearly completed and the government estimates place the yield at 11,000,000 bushels above the best previous record. Seventeen million bushels are now available for export.

BIG GERMAN LOCOMOTIVE.

Makes 60 Miles an Hour Drawing Six Vestibule Coaches.

Berlin, March 31.—A giant three-cylinder locomotive, which it is the intention to exhibit at the St. Louis exposition, has been tested on the military railroad here in the presence of a large company of civil and military personages. The engineer of this locomotive rides on its forward part and communicates with the fireman through a speaking tube. The front and rear cones diminish the resistance. The engine made the 80 miles in an hour, and 60 miles an hour when drawing six vestibule coaches, totalling 225 metric tons weight.

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RUN ON A BANK.

Excited Depositors Wanted Their Cash Back—Panic Soon Quieted.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 31.—As a result of sensational reports in circulation in connection with the assignment of the Federal Trust company, a run was started today on the Pearl street Savings & Loan company's bank. The bank is largely patronized by foreigners and for an hour or so excited men and women crowded its offices waiting for their money. Big downtown banks promptly rushed large sums of money to the Pearl street bank which was piled up high on the counters in view of the crowd. The effect of this was instantaneous and the crowd of depositors dispersed and the run was over. The bank is declared to be perfectly solvent.

AN ARTISTIC DISPLAY.

If you want to see something that is both artistic and original take a look as you pass along Baker street, at the show window of the Royal Shoe Store. An effect has been wrought by the use of green and white arranged in diamond shape that is absolutely novel. It reveals that Mr. Andrew, who dressed the window, understands the art. The display of shoes in the window is most attractive and indicates that the stock of the store contains shoes of the very best makes, which are sold at reasonable prices.

SALT WATER FOR FIRE FIGHTING

New York, March 31.—Nearly five and one-half million dollars was set apart by the board of estimates today to be expended in installing an auxiliary system of salt water mains to be used in connection with fire fighting in the boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn. The installment of such a system has long been urged by officials of the fire department and business men.

END OF CANAL LITIGATION.

Paris, March 31.—The first civil tribune of the Seine today decided the case of the republic of Colombia against the Panama Canal company, in favor of the defendants. It condemns the plaintiffs to pay the company's costs of the action. This decision has the effect of removing the legal obstacles in the way of the transfer of the canal concession from the company to the United States.

N. S. STEEL COMPANY'S PROFITS

Halifax, N. S., March 31.—The annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Steel company was held at New Glasgow yesterday. Reports for 1903 showed that the company had the best year in its history, the volume of business being over $200,000 in excess of that of 1902. Profits for the year were $859,397,19 and the balance brought forward from 1902 was $452,149.43, making a total of profit of $1,312,546.62.

ASKOLD ISLAND REINDEER.

Vladivostock, March 31.—Concern is felt here lest the herd of 3,000 reindeer, the last specimens of that animal on Askold island, which is within range of the Japanese guns, shall be destroyed. The herd is valued at half a million dollars. The horns of the animals are very valuable. They are used by the Chinese as medicine.

PRINTERS' MODEST REQUEST.

Toronto, March 31.—Job printers want $15 a week and an eight hour day instead of $13.25 a week and a nine hour day. A conference will be held with representatives of the Typographical union and owners of job shops on Monday to arrange a scale which will take effect June 1st.

FIRE IN LIVERY STABLE

Toronto, March 31.—Fifteen horses were suffocated in a fire which broke out in the Dominion livery and boarding stables, York street, early this morning. About 30 animals were in the building at the time. Several were led out by firemen badly burned. The loss will be about $3,000.

STRIKE AVERTED.

Glace Bay, March 31.—The threatened strike at No. 2 of the Dominion collieries, which gave promise of involving all the miners in the employ of the Dominion Coal company, has been avoided by the request of the miners being acceded to and the dismissed firemen reinstated.

MAKE WAY FOR JUNIORS

Toronto, March 31.—President Curry, of the Toronto Lacrosse club, states that not a single man of last year's team will figure on this year's twelve. If the club had any team at all it would be made up of junior players.

HIS CAREER CUT SHORT.

Chatham, Ont., March 31.—Hans Cummings, a young Englishman, only out from the old country a short time, was drowned while gathering drift wood at Kent bridge yesterday.

TO JOIN ASTOR.

New York, March 31.—The American today says J. P. Morgan leaves next Wednesday for London where he will probably remain the rest of his life.

COLONEL OTTER'S CONDITION.

Toronto, March 31.—Lieutenant-Colonel Otter was conscious all day and his physicians are still hopeful of his recovery.

RASCALS RETIRED.

Belgrade, March 31.—A royal decree issued today retires twelve of the higher army officers.

EPPLOSION OF ONE SQUIB

WRECKED A BUILDING, SET FIRE TO TWO OTHERS.

KILLED SIX PEOPLE AND FATALLY INJURED FIVE.

Scranton, Pa., March 31—Six persons are known to have been killed and five fatally injured by an explosion in the factory of the Dick Squip company at Priceburg, near here, today.

Twenty girls were employed in the factory. It is said one of the girls threw a squib into a stove and that the force of the explosion was so great that it wrecked the building and set it on fire.

The squibs are used in coal mining. The Dick Squib company occupied only the first floor of the structure, the Callahan family having rooms on the second floor. The Callahan children, aged three years and six months, respectively, were playing on the floor when the explosion occurred and both were killed.

The building caught fire and two adjoining buildings were burned.

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On the property is a frame building at present used as a restuarant.

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PRICE OF METALS

New York, March 31.—Bar silver 55 1-4; Electrolytic copper 12 7-8; Amalgamated copper 48 7-8; Spelter, firm.
London, March 31.—Lead £12 3s. 9d.

NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

J. B. Ramie and Mrs. Ramie, of Long Beach, Calif., are guests at the Strathcona.

The dance of the Boat club will be held on April 8th in Fraternity hall. Tickets can be obtained from the members of the committee.

The Canadian Pacific railway announces that hunting and fishing boats will be carried free to the various resorts along Kootenay lake for bona fide hunters and fishermen.

At the mining recorder's office on Thursday, certificates of work were granted A. E. Gallupe on the Montreal, and on the Quebec mineral claims, for work done since 18th April, 1903.

J. A. Irving has accepted the challenge of the bowling team of the Canadian Order of Foresters. He says he is satisfied that he can organize a team made up of all comers that will be able to easily defeat the alleged champions.

George H. Green is at the Hume, having just returned from a visit to Seattle in the interest of the Copper Farm Co., which is operating the Copper Farm group, at Green City on the north fork of the Salmon river. Mr. Green leaves for Green City today.

J. G. Simpson & Co., grocers, are moving from their old stand at the corner of Silica and Josephine streets to the fine, commodious premises on Baker street east formerly occupied by Morrison & Caldwell. The firm will open out at the new premises tomorrow.

W. J. Toye, who has been in the employ of T. S. McPherson for some considerable time, has decided to start business on his own account and tomorrow will open an up-to-date grocery store in the premises on the corner of Josephine and Silica streets, opposite the Methodist church.

As today is Good Friday, the public offices, banks and most of the stores will be closed for the day. Most of the stores were kept open until 10 o'clock last evening for the purpose of giving their patrons an opportunity of laying in supplies for the day. The general delivery window at the postoffice will be open from 10 a.m. till 12 m. o'clock today.

It was stated yesterday that the grocer and the wholesaler who refused to purchase 50 cases of eggs because they were partially cooked missed a good thing. A closer examination of the eggs were made yesterday and it was found that only the eggs in two or three of the cases had been partially cooked, while the balance were found to be in first class shape. Had either the wholesaler or the retailer bought the eggs at the bargain price at which they were offered they would have made a fine profit on the transaction.

There will be special Good Friday services today at the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches and at the Salvation Army barracks. At the church of Mary Immaculate the services will be the regular Good Friday ones at 8 a.m., 3 p.m., stations of the Cross, and 7.30 p.m. At St. Saviour's Matins, ante-communion and sermon 10.30 a.m., children's service 3 p.m., evensong and address 7.30 p.m. The Salvation Army will hold a special Good Friday service at 3 p.m. and a calvary meeting with special musical services at 8 p.m. At St. Paul's Presbyterian church a sacred concert will be held tonight commencing at 8.30.

A. Miller, of Greenwood, arrived at the Strathcona last evening.

W. Moffat, of Toronto, inspector of the Imperial Bank of Canada, is at the Strathcona.

Messrs. Nunn, Hood and Starkey, the managers of three of Nelson's wholesale houses will today play a two game match of ninepins with Messrs. Seattle, Banfield and another gentleman, not yet named, who will represent the bankers.

The tramway will close down on April 5th for a period of two months. Under the charter the company has the privilege of closing down for two months each year and the manager considers that April and May will be the months when the non-operation of the line will inconvenience the public the least.

Some fool—an April fool—turned in an alarm at 12.15 this morning from box 44, corner of Park and Front streets. When the brigade arrived no one was to be found and there were no signs of fire visible anywhere. It might be as well to point out to the perpetrator of the alleged joke that last month at Vancouver one of his class got six months with hard labor for a similar piece of foolishness.

There will be a meeting of all those interested in clay pigeon shooting at the Hume hotel on Monday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of reorganizing the Nelson Gun club. This year both Kaslo and Rossland have active gun clubs, and matches can be arranged with either of these places, just as soon as the local experts get together. There is also some talk of the possibility of holding a big tournament in connection with the Nelson fair in September next.

Robert, the 11-year-old son of Dr. A. W. and Mrs. Kenning, of Rossland, died on Wednesday in Rossland. Dr. D. A. LaBau of this city, was summoned to Rossland on Tuesday for the purpose of performing an operation on young Kenning, who was afflicted with appendicitis. The operation was performed on Tuesday, but it was too late as the appendix had already been ruptured and there was over a pint of pus in the abdominal cavity. There was no chance for recovery. Dr. LaBau stated yesterday that the operation was put off too late. A difference of a few hours in such cases is sometimes fatal. Just as soon as it is definitely known that appendicitis exists the only safety lies in an immediate operation. The lad was exceptionally bright in music, and had a talent that promised to bring him to prominence in the future. He performed remarkably well on the violin and piano.

A Special for Saturday

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There are many people who cannot understand why domestic peas cannot oust the imported article. These people do not understand the canning business. The fresh pea is preferred because of its reliability in point of flavor and quality; it is uniformly green, uniformly tender, uniformly sweet. Domestic peas sometimes are a wobbly lot, some are good enough, but just about the time the consumer is growing fond of them, he strikes a can that gives him that tired feeling and another believer in imported goods is born.

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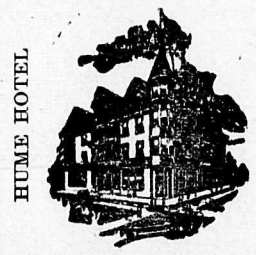

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Walter Aldridge and D. W. Moore, of the Trail smelter, returned home yesterday.

Louis Pratt, of the Last Chance mine, Sandon, was in the city yesterday on legal business, returning north this morning.

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The following officers were elected: Trustees, J. C. Riley, A. V. Smith, Richard Sullivan, Percy Poupard, Geo. King, A. Lackey A. W. Harrod, Mrs. N. M. Watnee, Mrs. J. M. McCleod; secretary, C. R. Howell; treasurer, J. H. Matheson.

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A pleasant wedding took place last evening when Miss Nellie Nelson and John Lawson were united in marriage. The ceremony took place at the newly furnished residence which Mr. Lawson had fitted up specially for the occasion and for a home for himself and bride. Mr. Lawson was one of the fortunate locators of the Swede group at Poplar and has many friends throughout the Kootenays. His bride is a popular young lady of this city, the daughter of Mr. Nelson, who is a valued employe at the smelter. After the knot had been tied by Rev. E. H. H. Holman, the happy couple and their friends adjourned to the home of the bride's parents, where all enjoyed a substantial wedding banquet.

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