THE PAYSTREAK

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NOBLE FIVE CONCENTRATOR.

Without a Mishap the Mill and Tramway are Now Running at Almost Full Capacity.

The Noble Five Concentrator is running at almost its full capacity, and not a single accident has occurred since the machinery was set in motion a few days ago. This speaks exceedingly well for the ability of Tom Mitchell, who has had the contract of building and equipping the mill. Mr. Mitchell is too well known throughout the northwest for any particular mention, as to his ability as a concentrator man, to be at all necessary. He has built or has had the superintendence of the equipment of the four concentrators now running in the Slocan. The perfect simplicity of his system of concentration, is perhaps its chiefest recommendation. A person going through the mill, no matter how ignorant of concentration methods he may be, can under intelligent guidance, be made to understand the main principles under which the seperation of the ore from the quartz is conducted.

The bucket tramway, is the first of its kind to be erected in the Slocan and is in perfect running condition. The cable which is about one and one-half miles long is equipped with 50 buckets each of which holds about 500 pounds of ore. The tramway is run on the gravity system, the weight of the full buckets moving down towards the mill, furnishing the power for hauling the empty ones up the ore houses at the mine. When a bucket arrives at the mill, it is released from the cable, to which it is attached by a pair of jaws, and there it remains, a short time awaiting the arrival of the next one, when it is once more started on its rounds. And thus hour after hour it runs, one bucket furnishing the power for elevating and dumping the other, a perfect marvel of simplicity and ingenuity.

The concentrator is lit by electricity and the Noble Five people have the honor of being the first to have an electric plant in running condition in the Slocan It is a first-class dynamo, though small, and is more than capable of supplying the mill with light. Nothing has been overlooked in the equipment of this mill and it stands today one of the completest and best mills, of its class, in the entire northwest.

Being one of the oldest mines in the Slocan, and being largely a concentrating proposition, an enormous amount of this class of ore has been mined and thrown over the dumps. These dumps will now be sorted over and sent to the mill for treatment, and as a fair sampling of the dumps gives assays of about 100 ounces to the ton, an idea can be had as to the value of the concentrates. Besides this very little ore has been stoped out, the bulk of the work done on the property being in the course of development, and as this development consists of some eight tunnels, driven in a vein of fourteen feet in width, all of which will be connected by winzes and chutes with the lower tunnel, through which all the ore in the future will pass, an idea can be had as to the quantity of ore already in sight and only waiting the commencement of stoping operations, to prove beyond a doubt, that it is one of the Slocan's very biggest shipping propositions.

The Rabbit Paw.

The showing in the tunnel on the Rabbit Paw at present indicates very strongly that the lead is at no great distance. J. M Harris was up at the claim this week and from the face of the tunnel took a quantity of the rock which he had assayed. The result of the assay showed eleven ounces of silver to the ton. As a consequence the price of the stock of the Company owning the Rabbit Paw has been very firm. Over 15,000 shares of stock were sold this week at ten cents. The company's prospects were never so bright as at present, as the fact that ore has been found is almost conclusive that the lead will be struck shortly. The second 100 feet of tunnel is being pushed ahead very rapidly.

Large Sale of Stock

The Cameronian, on Lemon creek, is improving daily as the work of development is being proceeded with. The stock in this proposition is selling at 12½ cents a share, and at that price a block of 20,000 shares was disposed of on Wednesday last. This property, it will be remembered, was stocked recently for $850,000, with the shares at the par value of $1.00. The splendid assays and well-known value of the property has caused a demand for this stock and no trouble was found to dispose of large quantities of treasury stock at the unusually high rate of 12½ cents per share.

The Sapphire and Gem mine, which was recently bonded to a Tacoma Co., is looking better than ever. A recent assay on samples taken from this mine gave returns of 110 to 140 ounces silver and 82 per cent. lead. This is the highest percentage of lead ever obtained in the Slocan.

LOCAL CHUTE.

Of High Grade Croppings Picked up on the Streets of our Busy Town.

M. Hirschel-Cohen will spend several days in Sandon.

F. G. Fauquier, Prov. Constable, was in town on Monday last.

Dr. G. P. Young, of Winnipeg, has arrived in Sandon. He purposes settling down to the practice of medience in this town.

The Monitor is shipping about ten tons of high grade ore per day. Last year this rich little property netted its owner, Geo. Petty, about $32,000.

W. W. Warner expects to be in Sandon, next Monday. When he arrives he will take active measures to have work re-commenced on the Ajax.

E. G. Schmidt, manager of the Phoenix, is in Sandon. Mr. Schmidt is a little under the weather at present but it is hoped that he will soon be around again.

A. Helmer, book-keeper at the Slocan Star mine left today, on a trip to the Springs, where he will recuperate after his late experience with an attack of erysipelas.

The Phoenix, on the North Fork of Carpenter creek, is looking very well, as is also the Cordelia, a property situated about one and one-half miles further up the creek.

Dr. F. P. Witter can be found at McQueen & Gore's Drug Store.

T. B. Godfrey, formerly of Vancouver, is in Sandon. He is connected with H. Byers' hardware business in Kaslo and is here for a few days during the indisposition of one of the clerks in the Sandon branch.

The Slocan Star people are building an extension of 1,200 feet to their flume. This will carry them to Carpenter creek where an abundance of water for the running of their mill can be obtained.

Dave King, of the Kaslo Kootenaian, was in town on Thursday last. It was rumored that he had come to collect rent from squatters on his ranch, but the truth of the rumor cannot be ascertained.

J. Madigan is now running two stages per day from Three Forks to Cody. This is most convenient and will be duly appreciated by everybody, as a decided improvement on the old order of things.

Jno. J. Gillis, foreman of the Ibex mine was killed by a snowslide, on Thursday last. No trace of his body has as yet been found, and little hope is entertained of its recovery until the snow disappears.

Furniture, house-furnishing, bedding, etc., at low prices, at the Auction Tent, J. Green & Co., auctioneer, auction sale on the 30th inst.

D. J. Robertson & Co., formerly of Regina, have started a furniture store in Sandon. His stock is most complete and can be inspected by visiting his place of business, over the Bank of B. N. A. Turn to his ad in another page of this edition.

F. S. Davis, of this city, is in luck, last year he located the Saratoga claim in the Colville reservation, and recently he received a letter stating that the property was turning out to be one of the richest in that section. Assays on samples from the property giving returns of about $75 gold and 35 per cent. copper.

A vigorous war is being waged, on the hobos and toughs who are becoming an unmitigated nuisance in Sandon, by our policemen. It is high time too, for if Sandon intends to keep up her reputation for law and order, she will have to eject this class of fellows who are without exception inveterate opponents of such a condition of affairs.

The entertainment given by Voorhees & Davis in Spencer's hall on Thursday last was poorly attended. It certainly was too bad as the gentlemen in question are first-rate performers, and deserved better treatment at the hands of the Sandon people. However, they contemplate giving a repetition of their entertainment on Saturday next, when Sandonites will have an opportunity of redeeming themselves.

A Good Troupe.

The entertainment given by the Edison Bioscope Co., in Spencer's Hall last evening, was by long odds the best yet presented before a Sandon audience. Unfortunately the electric light plant is not in running order and so the bioscopic part of the entertainment had to be postponed until later. However, the show, without the bioscope, was a strong one and he who did not enjoy himself last night must have been hard to please indeed. The company gives another performance tonight and no one should miss the opportunity of seeing them for they are first-class entertainers.

The Wakefield.

Some very fine cube galena was struck in one of the tunnels of the Wakefield recently. This property is on Four Mile creek about five miles from Silverton and is likely to turn out a very valuable property. A shipment of ore will be made from it in a few days time and it is expected that the ore will give returns of over $100 to the ton.

SUPERSTITIONS AND THEIR GROWTH.

We are in the habit of referring to almost any period of the past as the "age of superstition," unmindful of the fact that there is hardly a superstition of the past which does not retain a foot-hold in this day of enlightenment and advanced civilization. It is only a little over a year ago that a woman was burned to death in Ireland by her husband and neighbors on the charge of "possessing an evil eye." In our country there are plenty of people who believe in witchcraft as implicitly as did our Puritan ancestors in New England. They can be found in our own community. Thousands of people believe in ghosts—uneasy spirits of the departed, returned to visit the glimpses of the moon or with some more dire intent. To enumerate the list of superstitions which many intelligent people still cling to, would be too great an undertaking.

Belief in witches is still universal, that is to say, it is not confined to any one nation, but obtains to a greater or less extent in all countries. It obtains to such an extent in Italy that devout Catholics, when asking a blessing of Pope Pio Nino—who was believed to have the jettatura, or power of the evil eye—were wont to point two fingers at him as a protection against the papal juttatore In England, particularly in Somerset and Devonshire, the peasantry are to this day believers in the "evil eye," to the malign influence of which all kinds of sickness, both in man and beast are constantly ascribed.

"Her was overlooked, her was; and I knows very well who dou'd it," is a common explanation of maladies no more obscure than stomach-ache. In Somerset, if a farmer's cattle get sick he goes in secret to the "white witch"—that is, the old witchfinder—to ascertain who has "overlooked" his things and to learn the best antidote. Quite recently the report was made of a wealthy farmer in Devonshire whose cattle were dying of anthrax, who applied to a white witch for a remedy against the pestilence, and as a consequence he lost the whole herd.

The belief that witches who "overlook" both man and beast can transform themselves into hares is a common belief in the west of England. In many of the great kitchen chimneys of the old farm-houses a sheep's heart or a pig's heart has been found stuck full of pins as a reprisal against witches; and the occasional coincidence of some harm befalling the suspected witch confirms the general belief. Pig's hearts stuck full of pins are used for malignant as well as protective purposes, it being believed that the pricking of a pigs heart will act on the heart of the person aimed at. Again, when an "overlooked" pig dies, it is sometimes customary to put the heart, full of pins and thorns up the chimney, in the belief that as the pig's heart dried and withered, so would the heart of the pestilent person who had "evil eyed" the pig. This superstition, though in a different form, is familiar in the sympathetic magic of Rosetti's "Sister Helen" and the waxen image of her false lover. Among the wilder sections of Pennsylvania, Tennessee and other middle and southern states, as well as among the fishermen of the Delaware and Maryland peninsulas, many instances of firm belief in the "evil eye" are said to exist.

The precautions against witchcraft are like the forms of witchcraft, very numerous. Spitting is a very common form of protection against the "evil eye." Theocritus is almost literally translated by the rustic who says: 'If you meet anybody with a north eye spit three times"—only one of the instances, however, of the existence to-day of the superstitions of Paganism, but one which still lingers in the unseemly French habit of insult by spitting in the face. Among objects in common use whose origin in popular superstition has been generally forgotten, are the half moons on horses' harness, which were once regarded as potent amulets against "evil eye," the horse shoe nailed over the doors of houses, and the coral baubles on which infants cut their teeth, of which the shape keeps the remembrance of the old classic fascinum because the image of it was hung around the necks of children as a guard against witchcraft,

Although the belief in the "evil eye" may not grow, it will probably none the less exist in more or less pronounced forms until that millennial day when a high state of civilization shall be general in what are now the least favored parts of the earth. The hope of weeding it all out at once is as vain as that of the sudden overthrow of the various fanatic faiths of man.

"Those faiths—fanatic faiths—which, wedded fast
To some false doctrine—hugs them to the last-"

Important Silver-Lead Purchases.

The Engineering and Mining Journal of New York is authority for the statement that: "the recent purchase of the control of the Helena & Frisco property in Idaho, for the Exploration Company of London, is reported to be only a beginning, and negotiations are now pending for the control of several other mines in the same district. The intention of the buyer, it is said, is to secure all the important silver lead mines in the Cœur d'Alene region and to consolidate their management as far as possible."

Items of this purport are of almost daily occurrence in reliable journals, showing immense purchases of silver-lead mining properties by wealthy London companies where these metals are found in liberal quantities. They can be accepted, we believe, as good illustrations of the evident change of sentiment in the financial world as regards silver as a standard money metal. That silver will be recognized the world over as a standard money metal equal with gold there is no doubt, and these regular, extensive purchase of silver properties by companies of Londoners who are the acknowledged financiers of the world and best able to judge the the financial pulse of the nations, indicate clearly that the day of bimetallism, international or otherwise is not far distant.

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WHAT particular part of the Province reaps the benefit of the revenue derived from the mining interests of the Slocan we would like to know? This question is not asked entirely from curiosity. We have an object in view. If we could only ascertain for certain where this money is being spent, we might scheme some way of ingratiating ourselves into the good graces of those lucky mortals and induce them to give us a character. It might influence the Government to our benefit. Who can tell?

THE ball which will be given on Monday next by the Firemen should be largely attended by the citizens. Aside from the pecuniary benefits which will be derived from it by the boys and used for the common good, it will show the Brigade that they have the support of the community and encourage them in their laudable endeavors towards placing Sandon in a safer position as regards fire. In case a fire oreaks out we will have to look to them far the safety of our property, and self-interest if nothing else should prompt us to help the boys in making the Fire department one that can be relied on.

THE appeal which the Rev. Love made Sunday last for the erection of a church, is in a good cause, and should be treated with due consideration by the people of Sandon. It is too often the case, nowadays, that churches are made the points from which preachers advance beautiful and theoretical arguments for the redemption of humanity, and it is not to be wandered at that men sometimes get sick of them and yearn for something more practical. Still we cannot deny that the influence they exert, and it is offtimes very great, has always an upward tendency, and anything that has a tendency to lead us from a lower to higher plane, must be good for the community both socially and morally. Besides the life of a preacher in the Kootenay is by no means a picnic, it is no fun to have to hold forth to a congregation where the ventilation is of the poorest or again to stand an exhort your audience, in a place where your eloquence freezes solid as fast as it issues from your mouth. A good church would make all these things impossible as well as adding very much to the appearance of the town. Other towns of not half the significance of Sandon have good church buildings, then why cannot we have one too. We are certainly not so almighty good but that we could be improved.

ONLY of late have people in general been awakening to the fact that there is money to be made in the silver mines of the Slocan. Heretofore their attentions have been engrossed with the gold propositions of Rossland Anything in gold stock labelled "Rossland" was certain to be gobbled up, and the result was that the gold dazzled tenderfoot becam absolutele pie to the crafty stock manipulator. But even there is a limit to the gallibility of the tyro stock speculator, and as the months rolled by and no dividends hove in sight, he began to entertain grave suspicions as to the wealth producing properties of these wonderful bonanzas, and gradually by degrees he awakes to the fact that he is a sucker —a— plain.—ordinary,—common. —everyday sucker.

Now, we do not wish to be understood, as decrying the value of our gold mines, it would be foolish to do so. But we do say that for every good legitimate mine there are two that will not bear too close scrutiny. It is the history of every mining camp of any importance, it has been Rossland's, and if we do not look out it will be ours.

Hitherto we have been pretty free of stock gamblers, but now that the great profits to be gained in silver mining, are becoming better known, we may expect to get our share of these gentry. Impossible stock propositions will be floated, and suckers netted The sucker will get the rainbow-hued delusion and the gambler the hard cash. Do what we will we cannot, entirely hinder these confience games, but we can advance a good piece of advice. Avoid those propositions "that may turn out all right" for the chance are heavily in favor of the manipulator. Stick to good legitimate prospects with ore in sight, and avoid the seemingly feasible proposition of a "splendid iron-capping," with a big assay in the prospective, for you will get left in nine out of every ten cases.

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MINING ACTIVITY.

The following extracts are taken from an article entitled "The Prospective Resumption of Mining Activity," written by David T. Day for the 'Engineering Magazine,' New York.

"The quantity and value of the mineral products of the United States form a good barometer of industrial prosperity. Mineral industries are more directly affected by commercial changes than almost any others since the crude products of the mine serve as a starting-point for most manufacturing entesprises. Any industrial expansion must be anticipated by a correspondingly increased supply of the crude minerals necessarily involved.

"One well recognized condition necessary for mining prosperity is to find a market for the continually growing supply. Full activity for the enormous mining plants of the country means great prosperity. But, after several years of declining industrial activity, a glance over the field shows a great aggregate of capital invested in idle mines and their accessories. That this is a serious, ever critical, condition for the capital involved will be appreciated by considering the rapidity with which an idle mining plant depreciates. Mining machinery is rendered worthless more rapidly than that of a well protected factory. Frequently the mine-water is so acid as to quickly corrode metal to a worthless condition, and in the deeper mines the encroachments of water alone frequently amounts to more than the mineral is worth, and then a shut down means abandonment.

"No greater contrast can be drawn between the effects of prosperous conditions upon two different mineral industries than is to be seen in the cases of the building stone and the precious metal industries. The former is entirely dependent upon a market which comes with the increased building in a season of even moderate prosperity, while gold and silver, on the contrary, always have an abundant market, no matter how great the product. Still, even these are dependent upon the prevalance of prosperous industries to induce the investment of capital in producing them, and our gold and silver mines have felt the recent season of dull times as greatly as any other line of mining work. The prospector goes ahead in all seasons, unreasonably seeking deposits whether he can sell them or not, so that the present condition is one of countless undeveloped deposits of gold and silver, of greater or less importance, waiting for the necessary capital before a product can be realized.

"Beside the well-recognized increase in mining activity in the Rocky Mountain region, the opportunity for profitable investment in gold-mining in the Piedmout region of the South must lead to greater development. It is in this field that much prosperity must result from the use of new reduction methods for refractory ores. There is no doubt that the expectations from the great cyanide process and recent advances in chlorination have been altogether too sanguine. Nevertheless, the possibility of treating low-grade ores, practically tailings, by one or another of these devices is leading to more business-like methods in this entire field. That the result means a marked increase in the gold product in 1897 is undoubted.

"Newly discovered fields of unusual richness, and old fields, now made valuable by great reduction in costs of mining and milling ores by the introduction of new and improved processes, are in a position to add to the product.

"There is no particular branch of the mining industry which has not felt the quickening effects of these economies, but the precious metals have been especially benefitted. We do not refer to the record breaking figures at which low grade quartz has been mined at a profit, but rather to the large bodies of low grade ore, as well as old waste dumps, which it has become possible to work profitably by the cyanide process which puts the low grade deposits in the attitude of a newly discovered store of wealth. Thus at Cripple Creek very little ore is shipped which carries less than $25 a ton in telluride of gold, although in most localities $7 ore would be shipped, and still poorer ore might pay expenses. Already there are large dumps at most of the Cripple Creek mines which exceed $7 in gold, and these must surely be used at future local cyanide mills.

Among the new gold fields of the United States, that at Gunnison, Colorado, and those in the Black Hills seem of unusual promise. Again, the reaction from the South African excitement is sinking much capital into British Columbia, notably Trail Creek. There is no question but that this camp will show a great increase next year.

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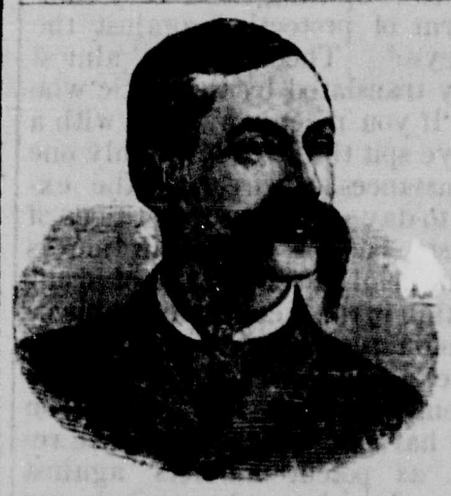

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The Outp t of Ore.

The total amount of ore shipped from the Slocan country up to Dec. 18, 1896, according to the Engineering and Mining Journal of New York, was 28.565 tons, valued at $3,246,952, while the shipments from Trail creek to the same date amounted to $1,450,000. These figures are as reliable as can be procured and tend to show in what section of B. C. her mineral wealth lies. The Slocan will ever be the greatest producing country, although it has not been boomed as other sections have.

ADVERTISING CANADA.

The question of immigration and extending Canadian trade in foreign countries are absorbing more of the attention of those concerned for the popularity of the Government and the progress of the country, than any others.

Minister of the Interior Sifton has very definite ideas with regard to immigration, and it is said that his policy will largely be that of selecting proper persons by the personal canvass of his agents, that these selected immigrants may found settlements, and by their prosperity attract people in large numbers.

In addition to this the Dominion Government authorities might very well petition the authorities in Downing street, asking that the name of Canada be always associated with that of Great Britain at the embassies consulates and British agencies throughout the world. At present we are much handicapped by being unknown as a nation and almost at a distance unmentioned as a geographical or political entity. If on the signs and letter-heads of all British foreign agencies the name of Canada appeared, we should seem to amount to something more than we do now. As it is, we are too often regarded as a frozen atom; an unimportant colony of an Empire.

Her Majesty is styled Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India in state papers. Why should not Canada be mentioned? The people of this country think they have a right to a constant repetition of the name of their Dominion in everything that is done by Great Britain.

The United States has been marvellously successful in attracting emigration and building up trade, because everywhere on earth where there has been a chance to display their flag or obtrude a picturesque sign or employ an agent, the advertisment has been obtained. Both trade and emigrants are directed to a country by the same or similar means. At present we are directing neither to Canada in a proper manner, and it is to be hoped that Canada will use every possible influence, not only by the direct employment of the necessary agents, but by inducing Great Britain to co-operate on the lines suggested.

English Sunday School Teacher (solemnly)—And now, Albert Edward, you may relate the terrible fate of the prodigal son after leaving his father's house and squandering his patrimony in riotous living.

Albert Edward (in an awed whisper)—'Ee—'ee—'ee 'ad to go to Hamerica han' get mrrried, ma'am.

PIONEERS IN EAST KOOTENAY.

Some Who Went to Wild Horse in '64 Are Still There.

In the year 1864 about 3,000 men were in Kootenay, attracted thither by the rich gold discoveries on Wild Horse creek. Many of those who came in remained only a short time, the majority going to the mining camps of Montana, which were then much talked about, especially Mac-lellan gulch, which turned out to be one of the paying gulches in that territory.

The following old-timers still remain and are identified with the district. Among them we may mention David Griffith, who came in via Walla Walla in the spring of 1864 and who still lives on Wild Horse creek and who has large interests both in placer and quartz mining. Robert C. Dore, who also came by the same route, and who left Kootenay in the 70's to go to the Cassiar excitement, but after trying his luck in California, Montana and Arizona, is content to remain here, believing as he does that this section has a great future. Patrick Quirck, another old timer who came here in 1864 and who left for the Cassair country, returned to remain, having satisfied himself, after following many of the gold excitements, that there is no place like Kootenay, concluded to take up a farm and play the role of an honest granger. He now owns a good farm called the "Daisy." Peter Boyle, another old-timer who has remained in the country ever since he came in, and who some years ago gave up mining and turned his attention to farming, now owns a good home on Cherry Creek, where he is prospering. Colonel George Dougherty, who is still with us, came here in 1864. He afterwards tried Dakota Montana, Arizona and California, but came back to his old stamping ground, Wild Horse, where he has some first-class properties that are being developed, and they all prospect well. The colonel has abiding faith in the country. Our S. M., Mr. Phillips, who was in charge of the Hudson Bay Co's extensive business, came here in 1865. After leaving their service he settled at Tobacco Plains, where he has a beautiful home. Pioneering in the 60's was not confined to the men only, but many ladies accompanied their husbands into what was then known as the wilderness, or out of civilization. Among those who came in with the early prospectors was Mrs. Griffith, who still lives on Wild Horse, hale and hearty, and who has always a kind word for the "old-timers," who who bear testimony to her kindness of heart and generous hospitality.

Do you really wear corsets through necessity? she asked. Oh, no, the other girl replied, simply as a matter of form.

Priscilla—My dear, your dress is so short that I'm half afraid they can see your ankles. Prunella—And it's so long that I'm half afraid they can't.

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Recorded at New Denver, the Assessments Transfers and Locations:

LOCATIONS.

January 12:
New Koh-i-noor, Carpenter creek; C E Blackwood.

January 15:
Alameda, New Denver; Albert Doring.

ASSESSMENTS.

January 13:
Pirate—Thos J Linderman.
Eva Fraction—Same.
Day Dawn and Pacific—A S Farwell.

January 14:
Richmond—H A Ross.

January 15:
Teller—John Stewart.

TRANSFERS.

January 11:
John McNeil to S K Green—¼ Stormount; Jan 6.

January 12:
Sam'l L Goldburg to Thos Henderson—¼ Goldburg, Dec 31; $1.
Thos Henderson to Hamilton Douglas—¼ Henderson, Dec 31; $1.
Thos Daniels to Hamilton Douglas, Thos Henderson and S L Goldburg—to each 1-6 William John, Jan 1; $1.
Thos Henderson to Hamilton Douglas and S L Goldburg—to each ¼ Lydia, Dec 31; $1.
Hamilton Douglas to Thos Henderson and S L Goldburg—to each ¼ Douglas, Dec 30; $1.

January 13:
Jackson Radcliff to James Williamson—¼ Great Britain, Jan 8; $1.
Alexander Dick and Archibald B McKenzie to James D Sword—¼ Comal, Dec 11; $1.
Antonio Rallo to Howard West—Ferry No 2, Nov 7; $500.
Howard West to Geo J Wonder—Ferry No 2, Jan 13; $500
E M Sandilands to The Purcell Mining corporation, Ltd—¼ Purcell, Nov 4; $1.
John G Dickson and Geo S Waterloo to The Purcell Mining corporation—1-5 and 1-40 Purcell, Nov 10; $1.
Chester Glass to The Purcell Mining corporation—¼ Purcell, Nov 2; $1.
John J Kingsmill to The Purcell Mining corporation—1-40 Purcell, Dec 19.
Ed Erp Brockhausen to Johanna Erp Brockhausen—¼ Sunrise No 4 and ¼ Climax, Nov 18; $1.
W H McVay and D E McVay to Geo Alexander—¼ Despair, Wyoming, Ruth, Ruth Fraction and Hope, Jan 6.

January 14:
Chas Taylor to Alexander Fleming—Atlanta, Dec 17; $250.

January 15:
Geo C Clarke to Duncan McMillan—1-16 Bonnie Doon, Dec 24; $100.
Geo C Clarke to Duncan McMillan—1-16 Bonnie Doon, Dec 25; $100.
Robert McTaggart to D A Van Doran—¼ Iron Mountain, Jan 14; $250.
C W Aylwin to D A Van Doran—⅛ Iron Mountain, Dec 15; $800.
John R Gates to D A Van Doran—¼ Mountain Chief No 3 and Sarnia, Sept 23; $1,800.
Chas Neuhaus to Alexander McPhaden—¼ Great Britain, Nov 25; $1.
H E McCarvill to Wm Thomlinson—¼ Pioneer, Oct 30; $1.

January 18:
Frank Nelson to P A Carlguish—¼ Franklin Fraction, Nov 17; $1.
A J Hayward to M H McCord—¼ interest in a bond on Irene, Jan 8; $500.
A G Ferguson to Harvey Hadden—¼ interest in a bond on Dalhousie and Whycocomagh, Jan 10; $1.
Geo F Hayward to Hugh Doheny—1-20 Northern Bell, Dec 16; $1.
J Frank L Osler to Henry S crotty—¼ Quappelle, an 9; $1.
John Thomas and James Gray to c E Dunbar, —catardin, Aug 1; $25,000.
E P Dunn to J H Purdy—¼ Barrie, Jan 8; $1.
Peter Lindquist to D D McPherson—¼ Sunshine No 4; $1.
M c Monahan to P M Hayes—1-6 Sapphire, Dec 19; $1.
John Regan to P M Hayes—¼ Sapphire and Gem, Dec 19; $1.501.
c W Harrington to P M Hayes—¼ Gem, Dec 19, $1,000.
John L Retallack to c W Harrington, ¼ Sapphire, Jan 7.
Ernest E Evans to Albert Behne—25-48 Wild Goose No 2, Jan 6; in trust.
J W Troup to Eva Boss—¼ American Boy, Jan 1; $1.
Eva Boss to Thos McGuigan—¼ American Boy, Jan 3; $1.

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TAILINGS.

Mrs. Stauffer, who has for some time past been visiting in New Denver, returned on Wednesday last to the Hub.

Beds, mattresses, pillows, the cheapest and best made in Sandon at the Factory, Crowley & Co., next to Haye's tin shop.

Mrs. David Matheson, of New Denver, paid Sandon a brief visit on Wednesday last.

The B. C. Restaurant, in Sandon, has become one of the most famous cafes of the silvery Slocan.

Mrs. J. C. Bolander, of New Denver, passed through Sandon on her way to Spokane on Wednesday last. Mr. Bolander accompanied her as far as Kaslo.

The new edition of Thomlinson's map of the Slocan for sale at this office.

Miss Johnson, of New Denver, left for Spokane on Thursday last.

A special bargain in Greenland seal fur capes at the Postoffice store.

Geo. Aylard, manager of the Enterprise mine on Ten Mile, passed through Sandon on his way to Spokane on Thursday last.

The chickens served at the B. C. Restauant all die young and are the reverse of the formation around Sandon.

Horace Dagan, late of Rossland, is officiating as steward in Black's Hotel. Mr. Dagan has earned a reputation for himself as a first-class caterer and all lovers of good things will welcome his appearance in Sandon.

Dr. Witter's temporary office at McQueen & Gore's Drug Store.

Jno. Bitters, a well known tinhorn, who appeared before the beak on Monday last, charged with stealing a sum of money from a Swede named Benj. Wuk, while playing a game of freeze-out, was convicted and sentenced to Kamloops jail for a period of 90 days with hard labor.

D. J. McLachlan has just received a consignment of sashes and doors which he will dispose of at reasonable rates.

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Doctors to right of us
Doctors to left of us
M. D.'s in front of us.
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Soon we shall read our doom
Soon there will be no room
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All will be doctors.

Dissolution of Partnership

The partnership between Robt. McTaggart & Hans Madsen has been dissolved this day by mutual consent. Madsen & Lundy pay all accounts and collect all monies due the late firm.

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Sandon, Dec. 23rd, '96.

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Stick close by the "Thistle," for fear lest you fall.

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Take comfort serene, with a drop of the "Thistle."
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Enough of its merits you have heard you will think,
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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an act enabling the Noble Five Consolidated Mining and Milling Company (Foreign) to appropriate five-hundred (500) inches of the waters of Cody Creek, in the Slocan mining Division West Kootenay District, to erect flumes for the purpose of operating a concentrator, electric light plant, power drills, and all other purposes usual, necessary or incidental to the mining or milling of ores, for the purpose of expropriating lands for such purposes.

NOBLE FIVE CONSOLIDATED MINING AND MILLING CO. (Foreign.)

Jan 21st, '97.

Certificate of Improvements.

Wild Goose mineral claim.

Situate in the Slocan mining division of West Kootenay district, on Noble Five mountain.

Take notice that I, A. S. Farwell, acting as agent for the Noble Five, Consolidated Mining and Milling Co., (foreign), free miner's certificate No. 77,579, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of abtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this the 13th day of January, 1897.

Jan. 16th, 1897. A. S. FARWELL.

Pirate mineral claim.

Situate in the Slocan mining division of West Kootenay district, about one-quarter of one mile northeast of the town of Cody.

Take notice that I, A. S. Farwell, acting as agent for Thomas Marks, free miner's certificate No. 76,224, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 9th day of January, 1897.

Jan. 16th, 1897. A. S. FARWELL.

Starlight No. 3 mineral claim.

Situate in the Slocan mining division of West Kootenay district north of, and joining the Last Chance mineral claim.

Take notice that I, A. S. Farwell, acting as agent for the Last Chance Mining and Milling Co., free miner's certificate No. 78,691, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 7th day of January, 1897.

Jan. 16th, 1897. A. S. FARWELL.

Lone Star and Blue Grouse Mineral Claims.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, three-fourths of a mile south of Sandon, west of Slocan Star Group.

Take notice that, I, John Fielding, as agent for James D. Sword, Free Miner's Certificate No. 76,555, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of improvements for the purpose of obtaining Crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice, that action under section 37, Mineral Act 1896, must be commenced before the issuance of said certificates of improvements.

Dated this 7th day of January, 1897.

Jan. 9th '97. JOHN FIELDING.

Snowstorm Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, adjoining the Slocan Boy on Payne mountain.

Take notice that, I, A. S. Farwell, acting as agent for Edward Mahon, Free Miner's Certificate No. 54,931, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 14th day of October, 1896.

Jan. 9th '97. A. S. FARWELL.

DAY DAWN FRACTION MINERAL CLAIM,

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, in the McGuigan Basin.

Take notice that, I, A. S Farwell, acting as agent for Michael C. Monaghan, Free Miner's Certificate No. 74,411, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 28th day of December, 1896.

Jan. 2nd, '97. A. S. FARWELL.

Phoenix Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, three and three-fourths miles up North Fork of Carpenter Creek.

Take notice that, I, John Fielding, as agent for the Phoenix Consolidated Mining and Milling Co., Limited Liability, Free Miner's Certificate No. 74,419, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 1st day of January, 1897.

Jan. 9th, '97. JOHN FIELDING.

Noble Five, Knoxville, Bonanza King, World's Fair and Maud E Mineral Claims.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, on Noble Five Mountain, one mile north of Cody.

Take notice that, I, John Fielding, as agent for the Noble Five Consolidated Mining and Milling Company, Free Miner's Certificate No. 77,579, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of improvements for the purpose of obtaining Crown grants of the above claims.

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

Dated this 4th day of January, 1897.

Jan. 9th, '97. JOHN FIELDING.

GREENHORN MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, on Carpenter Creek, about two miles easterly from the town of Cody.

Take notice that I, A. S. Farwell, agent for John McNeill, Free Miner's Certificate No. 64,832, and Daniel McNeill, Free Miner's Certificate No. 60,373, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 12th day of November, 1896.

Jan. 2nd, '97. A. S. FARWELL.

VIRGEN MINERAL CLAIM,

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, on Carpenter creek, near the Greenhorn mineral claim.

Take notice that, I, A. S. Farwell, agent for Frederick J. Donaldson, Free Miner's certificate No. 66,030,; John W Switzer, Free Miner's Certificate No. 61,646; Charles B. McCluskey, Free Miner's Certificate No. 61,645, and William H. Todd, Free Miner's Certificate No 61,809, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaintng a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 14th day of November, 1896.

Jan. 2nd, '97. A. S. FARWELL.

PACIFIC MINERAL CLAIM,

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, on Payne Mountain, North of and adjoining the Washington.

Take notice that I, A. S. Farwell, agent for Frederick Steele, Free Miner's Certificate No. 65,596, and Samuel B. Steele, Free Miner's Certificate No. 73,946, intend, sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 28th day of November, 1896.

Dec. 5th, '96. A. S. FARWELL.

EPHRAIM FRACTION Mineral claim,

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District on the North Slope of the South Fork of Carpenter Creek, North of and joining the Texas mineral claim.

Take notice, that, I, John M. Harris, No. 56,917 for myself, and as agent for F. T. Kelly, No. 54,185; S. M. Wharton, No. 65,360, and G. C. Wharton, No. 65,359, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this eighteenth day of November, 1896.

Nov 21st, '96. JOHN M. HARRIS.

LOOK OUT AND COLUMBUS MINERAL CLAIMS,

Situate in the Slocan Mining Divisionof West Kootenay District, adjoining the Wonderful mineral claim L. 481 G. I, on Carpenter Creek and about one and a one-third miles west of the town of Sandon.

Take notice that I, A. S. Farwell, agent for the Wonderful Group Mining Company, Free Miner's Certificate No. 66,166, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 28th day of November, 1896.

Dec. 5th, '96. A. S. FARWELL.

TARIFF ON LEAD.

Congressional Committee Considering Revision of Present Schedule.

W. H. Alexander, of the Omaha-Grant Smelting Company appeared last week before the Congressional committee on ways and means, at Washington and made a strong plea for the reduction of the present U. S. tariff on lead ores. He claimed the importation of lead ore was necessary for smelting, whereas, under an erroneous interpretation of the present law, rates as high as five and five and a half cents per pound are now paid. He asked for duties of one and one-quarter cents on lead bullion and one and three eights on pig lead.

A representative of the St. Joseph Lead Company, of Missouri, urged the committee to maintain a high protective tariff instead.

Another Bond.

The claims Tiptop, Maggie, Nellie D. and a one-third interest in the Cody Star have been sold by A. D. McGinty to Victoria parties for $7,000. Ten per cent. cash and the balance in six months. This group of claims is situated near Cody. There is a fine showing of about six inches of galena on the surface. Assays of which give 300 ounces silver and 67 per cent. lead. The property is a very valuable one and the work of development will be prosecuted with vim as soon as spring opens.

Black Hills.

The tunnel on the Black Hills is now in about sixty feet and will tap the lead in about forty feet more. Two leads, not shown on surface, were tapped in the tunnel, the assays of which went very high. After the main lead is tapped these new leads will be opened up.

Notice.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: That we, D. E. McVay and W. H. McVay, from and after this d te, will not be responsible for any and all accounts that may be contracted for by the Ruth Mines or Ruth Mining Co., of Sandon, B. C.

January 2nd, 1897.

Spring-bed and mattress complete for $7, pillows 50 cents, at Furniture Factory, next Haye's tin shop.

H. P. Christie has been appointed Constable to assist Policeman Lloyd in Sandon.

The man with the blue shirt and a capital of four bits is just as welcome at the B. C. Restaurant, in Sandon, as a white-shirted millionaire from New Denver.

Mr. Athey, of Virginia, is in Sandon. He will make his home in this city for some time to come.

Wm. Hunter has returned from a trip to Silverton and the Lake towns.

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