THE PAYSTREAK

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

cal Happenings Around and About Sandon.

The Slocan Transfer company got 20 packing mules on Saturday.

Three school trustees will be voted r at the school house Monday. ne 7, at noon.

Charles Gales has added three e bath tubs to his tonsorial parrs.

Ten arc lights are being put in, hich will receive the blessings of very one.

A postoffice has been opened at cGuigan with Sam Guzbergh as stmaster.

The foundation is finished on the irginia block, and the vault will be mmenced next week.

Wanted—A man and wife want to ke charge of a miners' boarding use. Address R. D., Paystreak.

Sandon people expect to talk with Kaslo before long, and the line will robably also be connected with pokane and Rossland.

Ira W. Black has fitted up his billard room in handsome style, and it will be opened tonight with some of he best players in Sandon.

Rev. Mr. Menzies, the Presbyerian minister, is holding regular Sunday services in the school house t 11 a. m. He also preaches tomorrow evening at 7:30 in Spencer's hall.

We wish to impress upon you the fact that the PAYSTREAK is now prepared to do job printing as well and as reasonable as anybody, anywhere, and we solicit your orders.

The Balmoral hotel was slightly discommoded Friday by the water in the creek washing out the foundation of the chimney, destroying the usefulness of the culinary department.

The baseball league of Spokane, Rossland and Kaslo are trying to get the Sandon team into the league to fill out the dates left by the retirement of the Nelson team. If this is not accomplished it may be arranged for the Sandon team to play in Kaslo and have teams come to Sandon whenever it can be arranged.

The road between Sandon and Three Forks was washed out last week and made entirely impassable. This road should be taken out of the gulch and built in a permanent manner on the side of the hill, and kept in repair at all times of the year. The loss to the country at large on account of bad roads is one of the heaviest taxes that have to be borne.

Mining Notes.

Eight men went to work on the Argo Thursday. A car of ore will be shipped to Kaslo the first of next month.

The Reco has 30 men working and will commence packing ore next Monday. Eight or ten carloads are now waiting shipment.

The Kasolo smelter is handling two or three cars of ore a day, says the Nelson Tribune. The Ruth is a steady shipper and the Sunset and Whitewater are sending down now. A car of very high grade stuff was shipped from the Sunset Saturday.

The Bismarck, near Bear Lake, adjoining the Nonpareil, Miner Boy and London group, made a promising strike Thursday. This is on new workings commenced this spring as assessment work. The lead cutting the formation is four feet wide, and can be traced on the surface for 600 feet. The paystreak is white quartz carrying gray copper and carbonates. John Emdal and D. M. Bongard are the owners.

F. E. Starkey has been in Sandon looking over the Mascot property for a few days. He says that the lead is very much similar to that found on the Ruth when it was first opened up. The ore is rich but not in large quantities, and it is probably only a question of how far they will have to tunnel to find pay. He knows the ground thoroughly, and there is no doubt but that they are on the Slocan Star ledge.

CODY CONCENTRATES.

A company of English capitalists were inspecting properties around Cody Friday.

The Slocan Star is utilizing their flume for shipping lumber from Cody to the mill.

A. W. McMillan, from New York City, has bought Bongard & Peickart's place at McGuigan.

Eleven inches of clean galena was found in the Charleston, adjoining the Noonday, on Cody creek.

It is reported that the bond on the Nonpareil, near Bear Lake, has been taken up. The bond was held by an English company and was for $25,000.

D. M. Bongard is tunneling on the lead on the Wisconsin and surveying the claim. More men will be put to work as soon as accommodations are made.

Cody people are wondering why the postal authorities don't use the train service, and save a day on Kaslo and southern mails. And also have the C. P. R. mail for Cody made up direct, instead of going through the Sandon postoffice.

A petition was circulated in Cody this week, and signed by all parties interested, asking the gold commissioners to come to Cody and investigate the matter of changing the government road to run on the north side of the creek east of the bridge.

Superintendent Murphy has resigned from the Noble Five mill and will have charge of the construction of the Jackson mines concentrator. A Mr. Gordon of Kaslo has been made superintendent of the Noble Five.

Bongard & Peickart, formerly of McGuigan, have purchased S. T. Lundy's hotel at Cody, and have refurnished and refitted it up throughout. The house will be called the Noble Five hotel. Messrs. Bongard & Peickart are among the best known hotel men in Kootenay.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Sandon Should Take More Interest in the Work.

The monthly meeting of the fire department occurs next Tuesday. There should be a large attendance, as the demand is imperative that steps should be taken immediately to bring the department up to a much better standard than now prevails. The lack of interest displayed by our people in a matter of such vital importance is a subject of daily comment. There seems to be a feeling that it is a matter of chance anyway, and that it is as well to leave it to Providence and hope for a favorable outcome. Whereas, with very little effort by each of our citizens, the department could be made so efficient that there would be no danger except under unusual circumstances. As every one knows, the whole danger of fire is at the beginning, and quick action then is worth everything. This is only acquired by practice and drill, and Chief Switzer has had a hard time in getting the members out even for that. The chief is a thorough fireman, and if given the proper support will make the fire brigade equal to any emergency.

There are 15 members and the apparatus consists of a cart and 800 feet of hose, two ladders, hooks, axes, etc. It will be necessary to secure ground and build a tower for drying the hose before the cold weather, as the ground now occupied by the hose shed is loaned by Mr. Harris.

THE SANDON BELT.

Extent and Richness of This Great District.

What may be called the Sandon belt is a well defined area, extending from Silverton on Slocan lake to Whitewater creek, on a straight line running through Sandon about 15 miles long, and from three to five miles wide, running from southwest to northeast. The formation is lime and slate, with occasional intrusion of porphyry dykes. The mineral is mostly galena with some carbonates. Outside this belt, on either side, the formation and ore is of a distinctly different character.

In this belt are situated the rich silver deposits which have made Slocan famous, and silver mining as attractive as the gold placers of the past. What the output of mineral in the future will be is only a matter of speculation, but that it will be the greatest for the same amount of territory in the world's history is believed by many who are competent to judge. Already from one end to the other are fully developed mines that are paying princely dividends to their owners, and but a very small part of the claims located have been developed, although the indications warrant the belief that they are just as good as any that are now shipping regularly.

Police Court News.

The cases which have been pending for some weeks, known as the Pitts Brothers case, which came out of the attempt of H. H. Pitts, E. Stubbs, F. Golden, W. Gilbert, D. C. Fletcher, E. L. Lenning, J. Dean, to gain possession of the shack opposite Black's hotel, and held by T. Milne, James A. Collins and T. Erwin, have been dismissed with costs on plaintiffs. The cases in which the above plaintiffs appeared as defendants was also dismissed with the above. The matter has been referred to an arbitration board of three.

J. H. Ball of the Whitewater sawmill will have a hearing this afternoon on the charge of dumping sawdust in the creek.

The Diamond Jubilee.

There is a feeling of universal satisfaction that there is to be a celebration in Sandon on Jubilee Day, June 22, and it is assured of the support of the entire community. Outside towns say they will be all here.

The snow on the mountains is disappearing at a rapid rate, and with each additional warm day the prospector goes a little higher, and will soon reach the top of the range.

Personals.

Phil Hickey has returned from Spokane.

D. B. Rowe, of Kansas City, will be in town Sunday.

Col. W. L. Davis of Denver, Col., is at the Goodenough.

C. Cliff and family, from Brandon, Manitoba, have arrived in Sandod.

Dick Butler came in from Ten Mile, and is visiting Sandon a few days.

Mrs. Ira W. Black has gone to spend the summer in Aurora, Iowa.

Peter Porter, a well known mining man has been here for several days.

Neil Adair and Phil Abrahams, two well known men of Seattle, were here this week on business.

J. B. Hastings, superintendent of the War Eagle, has been stopping at the Goodenough for several days.

W. H. Montague, M. P., of Ottawa, and I. T. Carroll and I. MacQuillan of Vancouver, are a party in Sandon.

Dr. Bruner has returned from Trout Lake, where he has been putting in a few days looking over the country.

J. C. Hays left today to look after a claim lying partly in the townsite of Burton City, on Lower Arrow lake.

Phil S. Kellman, of Olympia, Wash, was at the Hotel Sandon this week, and will be in the country some time.

Mrs. M. E. Dougherty with two children has joined her husband in Spokane. Mr. and Mrs. Dougherty will reside on Capitol hill.

G. D. McMartin goes to White Grouse and Montezuma districts this week to look after claims and do some further prospecting.

A telegram was received at his office Friday from J. M. Harris in New York, saying that he was starting for his home at Vernon Mills, Va.

A. W. McCune and son of Salt Lake City, Charles S. Griffin of Spokane, George Hughes and F. J. Finacune, rode up to take a look at the Best mine Friday.

S. A. Mighton goes to Slocan City Monday for two or three days, to look after the completion of his three story building, the Hotel Oxford, on Main street.

T. P. Durham, of Victoria, father of Mrs. G. D. McMartin, has been visiting Sandon for a week, and leaves today for home, accompanied by Mrs. McMartin and her two children, who will spend the summer there.

A BIG DEAL.

Enterprise Group on Ten Mile Creek Sold for $300,000.

D. R. C. Brown and Dave Brunton of Aspen, Col., were in Sandon Tuesday, and left for Ten Mile creek to close the deal on the Enterprise mine. These gentlemen are associated with David M. Hyman of Aspen, and recently bought the Enterprise group from John A. Finch for $300,000. They are satisfied that they have a big thing. The following is a description of the working so far:

The ledge, though small, has been traced through the two claims and strikes northeast and southwest between granite walls. The ore is galena with much zinc blende in a quartz gangue, and is generally found on the footwall. Four tunnels have been driven on the ledge, leaving the ore on the side, The lowest, 500 feet, opens a chute averaging seven inches and continuous for 400 feet. The second tunnel, 170 feet higher, is in 500 feet with ore for 300 feet, where an upraise to the surface follows over eight inches of ore for 80 feet. At 330 feet a fault was struck, but the ledge has been picked up beyond it and carries ore for 150 feet further, eight to eighteen inches wide, which is being stoped. The third tunnel, 25 feet higher, is 310 feet long, and follows six to twelve inches of ore for 260 feet. The fourth tunnel, 400 feet, is 90 feet higher and is in six to fourteen inches of solid ore. These tunnels have thus traced a continuous ore chute for 1000 feet along the ledge. Shipments have returned from 153.7 to 179.5 ounces silver and 18 to 30 per cent. lead, and now average 250 tons a month. Shipments to date aggregate 26 carloads, averaging $1900 to $2000 a car net.

BREVITIES.

The 22d of June has been made a Dominion holiday by proclamation as Diamond Jubilee Day.

A number of properties are being located along the line of the K. & S. road between Whitewater and Kaslo.

The C. P. R. are considering the matter of putting on a Sunday excursion train to Slocan lake, if the patronage is sufficient to warrant it.

The education office at Victoria has created the Sandon school district, embracing all the territory within a radius of two miles of the school house.

The Le Roi mine at Rossland has declared another dividend of $25,000, making a total of $400,000. This gives them a good lead in dividends paid in Kootenay.

Dr. Gomm and W. D. Thompson are sinking 20 feet on the shaft of the Annie, McGuigan creek. There is no ore in sight, but the ledge is a bold one and promises well.

The litigation over the Monitor mine at Three Forks has been settled by the plaintiff in the suit gaining his contention, and the mine will be started working immediately.

Mr. Muir has taken temporary charge of the Corinth as superintendent. Mr. Murphy, late in charge, has gone away. A permanent superintendent is on the road.

All free miners certificates, held by joint stock companies, expire on June 30 next, and must be renewed before that time. A certificate can be taken out but for one year, and expire each year on June 30. A rebate is allowed for amounts already paid.

The Edison Vitascope was exhibited in Sandon for the first time last Tuesday. As an exhibition of the progress of science and invention it was truly wonderful. A good house was present.

A man named Ross, from Kaslo, was wounded in the arm on Wednesday while getting off of the train at Denver. The gun he was carrying accidentally discharged, and it was lucky no one else was hurt.

It is rumored that one of the prominent hotel men of Sandon has become a Baptist, having been immersed three times in the placid waters of Slocan lake, in attempting to imitate the tight-rope walking at Slocan City on the 24th, on a log across the creek. After getting a balance pole on the third attempt he got across.

Notice is published of a meeting of the shareholders of the Slocan Tramway company and of the Alamo Mining company at Three Forks, June 21, and also the Slocan Milling company at New Denver, June 21. for the purpose of considering the expediency of selling such portion of the assets of the companies as may be agreed upon. This is to ratify the sale of the Alamo mine. The same company that bought the Alamo have also bought the Elgin and Ivanhoe claims, adjoining.

A stranger appeared in Sandon last week, and soon made a reputation among the black jack games as a plunger. After cleaning out several games and becoming a terror to the dealers, he was quietly notified by the authorities that there were two trains out of Sandon on the next day, and if he was seen after the last one had gone he would be run in as a tin horn. This did not appear to frighten him, however, and shortly after it was learned that he was one of the wealthy men of Toronto out for sport.

Expedition to the Pole.

The Swedish government will send out a balloon expedition toward the North pole about July 1st, and the Provincial government has requested that, should an opportunity present itself, the explorers be given all the help possible. If the balloon be seen only and no communication be had with the exploring party, it is requested that the following particulars may be noted and communicated either to a local newspaper or to some learned body, namely: the day and the hour in which the balloon was seen, the direction of the balloon and the direction of the wind.

Should any accident befall the explorers and should they arrive in any locality, having lost the balloon, the inhabitants are asked to give them all possible assistance.

Any one knowing the whereabouts of Thomas Daniels, a miner, who is interested in the Bonanza group on Six Mile creek, on Slocan lake, will please inform Thomas Henderson at Roseberry, B. C., by wire as soon as possible, and I will pay expenses. S. L. GOLDBERG.
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THE BIG BEND.

Written for the Engineering and Mining Journal by Frank L. Nason.

The tremendous interest which mining development in the Slocan district of British Columbia has excited has quite overshadowed all other mineral belts in that province. The Slocan country lies on either side of the great widenings of the Columbia River, known as the Arrow Lakes, including the Kootenay Lake district on the east and running below the Arrow Lakes to the international boundary line. It comprises an area of about 110 miles east and west and 160 miles north and south.

Geologically the rocks consist of slates, limestones and sandstones in the valleys, while the mountains are principally granite and gneiss. The stratified rocks are much broken and folded; while both of the stratified rocks and the gradites are cut by numerous greenstones or trap dikes. Geographically, the mountains of this section are but the southern extension of the Gold range on the west and the Selkirk on the east. Though placer gold is found to some extent in the eastern Columbia River valley, the great gold and silver deposits, thus far found, are in the Selkirk and in the Gold range.

Between Arrow Head, a town at the upper end of Arrow Lake, and the Canadian Pacific railroad, very few mining claims have been located. There seems to be no good reason why this ground should be barren, as the geological structure of this part of the Selkirks differs in no marked respect from that of the country below. It has probably been little explored. Immediately north of the Canadian Pacific railroad, on the north fork of the Illecillewaet River, several large silver-lead claims have been opened, and one has been sold to an English company and is now successfully shipping galena which is said to carry from 60 to 100 ounces in silver to the ton. From a claim near this a prospector shipped 40 tons to a San Francisco mill. The lead paid the shipping and mill expenses, leaving the silver as profit. This is one of three claims that have been consolidated. Through August and into the middle of September a half dozen prospectors were working still further up the fork, but the early winter drove them out before much was accomplished. From Revelstoke on the Canadian Pacific there is a good trail following up the Columbia for 60 miles. This trail has been opened for ten years and is the only inlet to the Big Bend country. Supplies are often taken up the Columbia in boats by cordelling and with pushpoles, but this is practicable only in the early spring and the fall, before and after the freshets caused by the melting snow. The mines or prospects thus far opened along the Columbia and in the Big Bend are as follows:

About 12 miles from Revelstoke, in Jordan Pass, two prospectors are engaged in developing a large vein of galena and pyrite. The vein is reported to be from five feet to 15 feet in width and to have a streak of solid galena about three foot thick. The remainder of the vein is concentrating ore. The galena is reported to carry from 10 to 20 ounces of silver, and gold in the mixed pyrites from $4 to $10 gold per ton. This prospect is located in the Gold Range and is the only prospect reported on the west side of the river below Smith creek, 60 miles above Revelstoke.

Along the trail which follows up the east bank of the Columbia, the first mining of any kind is a small bar digging about four miles from Revelstoke. This has been worked principally by Chinamen and from them no definite information is to be gained. From the fact that the bar is only worked intermittently it is to be inferred that it is not very rich. Pannings by the writer showed a good deal of fine gold confined to a gravel stratum about two feet to four feet thick, and yielding from 10 to 50 cents a yard. It may be remarked in passing that this claim or bar is typical of dozens of such places along the river. These bars are not in a position to make hydraulicking possible, lying at river level at high water, and their gold contents and extent do not warrant the use of dredgers.

Twenty-eight miles above Revelstoke is Carnes Creek. For at least ten years there have been "snipers" (men who hunt gold in bedrock crevices in the stream) who have earned a living by washing shallow bars, and, in low water, building wing dams, thus partially turning the stream, and recovering the gold-bearing gravel "sniped" from the bared stream bed. The gold is coarse, of fine quality, bringing from $18 to $18.50 an ounce, and is beaten into shapeless masses, showing that it has traveled for a considerable distance. Every rise of water takes out the crude wing dams and sluices, but with recurring low water these are put in again and the same ground worked over. This shows that gold is still running in the stream. There are benches or terraces rising from 50 to 100 feet above the level of the stream, but confined as they are in a narrow canon they are not extensive enough to warrant the putting in of a hydraulic plant, nor are they rich enough to pay for hand work. Numerous tunnels have been driven in these benches in order to strike vein rock, which has been done in many instances, but the yield of gold has not been sufficient to warrant extensive work. The work has been done entirely by prospectors, many of the tunnels having been driven at least 30 years ago. The gravel from "grass roots" down carries gold. In the autumn of 1896 a large block of claims were staked out and sold to parties in Seattle, but, of course, when examined by an engineer, they were abandoned as unfit for hydraulicking.

Five miles above the mouth of Carnes creek from where it empties into the Columbia, a large vein of mineral was discovered in 1895. Eight claims have been located on this vein and development work was begun in 1896. A tunnel has been driven in over 50 feet, the vein at this point being about 10 feet wide. There is no free gold in the ore, which consists of iron pyrites, arsenical pyrites, chalcopyrite, galena and other sulphides. The assay value of the ore as it comes from the tunnel is $10 to $20 a ton.

Twelve miles above Carnes creek is Boyd's ranch. On the top of a mountain 10 miles east of this ranch another group of claims has been located. The character of the ore and its assay value is the same as the vein on Carnes creek.

Five miles from this ranch Downie creek empties into the Columbia river. This creek is also flanked by benches or terraces, of which all the gravels carry some gold, while a thin stratum carries 25 cents to $1 a yard. It is too thin, however, to work by tunneling and hydraulicking is impossible for the same reason as at Carnes creek. Several auriferous sulphide claims have been located up this creek, but little or no work has been done on them, certainly not enough to determine either the size or the value of the prospects, though high hopes are entertained of them.

Between Downie creek and Gold Stream, a distance of 17 miles, no work of any importance has been done. Several bars in the Columbia have been worked by white men, notably Seven-Mile bar, and many more have been worked by Chinamen. Around Gold Stream and its tributaries, however, the deepest interest has been centered. Gold was first discovered here in about 1860 to 1865. In 1895, two mining companies, or, more properly speaking, two partnerships of prospectors, put in extensive wing dams about one mile from the mouth of Gold Stream. A good many ounces of coarse gold of fine quality had previously been taken from the crevices in the bed of the stream during low water and it was believed that by turning the stream, if only partially, good results would be obtained. The wing dams which were put in cost about $5000, but only about $200 were recovered the following season, the bedrock, a white dolomite, being found to be worn almost perfectly smooth, with no gravel and only now and then a coarse nugget of gold. The gravel in the benches on either side of the stream carries gold in considerable quantity, but cannot be hydraulicked. In the northeastern angle between the Columbia and Gold Stream is an extensive brush of gravel which is now being tested. Considerable gold is found, the gravel carrying as high as 25 cents a yard. The principal difficulty is lack of water under head.

Four miles above the mouth of Cold Stream a tributary, Camp creek, flows in. Considerable gold has been found on this stream and within the past two years several attempts have been made by prospectors to sink a shaft to bedrock and tunnel under the stream to bedrock. Though the gravel from the surface down shows gold it was not the intention to hydraulic the stream, but only to work it as drift or bedrock diggings. The appliances for handling the water were crude quicksands were encountered and the shaft was then abandoned.

Eight miles up Cold Stream, another tributary stream; McCullough creek, has in the past produced a great amount of placer gold. Extensive works were planned and some hydraulic pipe was brought on the ground when trouble over the division of the output of the mine arose, and the property has been idle ever since, awaiting the action of the courts. Three miles above this claim is another on which persistent efforts have been made to reach bedrock. The effort was successful in the autumn of 1896, but very little gold was found. The gravel above, over 100 feet thick, is reported to be very rich. Nuggets have been found worth from $5 to $7, together with much fine gold.

Three miles above McCullough creek French creek comes in. This is the most famous stream in the Big Bend. It is reported to have produced gold to the value of from $100,000 to $1,000,000. There is no way of verifying these reports today, but the traces of former occupation and work are everywhere extant. Long tunnels are driven into the benches, shafts sunk, and ruins of scores of log cabins and mining tools mark scenes of stirring activity about 30 years ago. The richness of the gravel left easily leads one to believe that there were bars of great richness when the place was first discovered. Within the past 10 years there have been at least six different claims worked, principally as bar or creek diggings. One company has sunk a shaft 50 feet deep to bed rock and has run extensive tunnels under the bed of the stream. The gold produced is coarse, probably 50% of it being nuggets worth from $1 to $50, though only two of the latter value have been found. The remainder of the gold occurs in 5 to 50 cent nuggets. Several of these claims have been recently consolidated and an extensive hydraulic plant is to be put in in the spring of 1897.

Almost directly opposite the mouth of Cold Stream another auriferous creek empties into the Columbia. This stream, Smith creek, was worked, on the surface only, in the "early days," 1860 to 1865, and some very rich bars were found. Latterly two companies of miners have made attempts to sink shafts to bedrock, but without success. An American company has now taken possession and will thoroughly prospect it with the view of putting in a hydraulic plant. In the upper angle between the Columbia river and Smith creek, another American company has the distinction of putting in the first hydraulic plant in the Big Bend. This plant was in operation in 1896.

The Big Bend country has been known to be auriferous for the last 30 years or more. The country was pretty thoroughly traversed by prospectors in the early days, but, with the exception of the finds on French creek, no diggings were found that could be worked at a profit with access so difficult and supplies so high. Even now practically the only prospecting that has been done has been on streams emptying into the Columbia river, and for only a few miles from their mouths. Again prospecting has been confined almost exclusively to auriferous gravels, little or no attention being paid to ledges. In mining the gravels of the streams, not only of those on which placers are being worked, but on others as well, there is found among the black sands a liberal sprinkling of galena. Considering how soft and friable this is, it seems as if it must have a pretty extensive source in order to show as abundantly as it does. In the lower sands, the "blue gravel" of the Californians, there is also found much pyrite, chalcopyrite and other sulphides. These are without exception, so far as the writer's experience goes, auriferous. Whether these auriferous and argentiferous sulphides come from extensive and workable veins or from small stringers, no one is as yet able to say for certain. With the three exceptions quoted on Carnes creek, Downie, and back of Boyd's ranch, no sulphide deposits have been located. Near Smith creek several irregular veins in hydro-mica slate have been found to carry gold in their iron sulphides but no large workable veins have been found.

In one instance, however, the placer gold has been skillfully traced up the stream to its source and a large number of claims located on ledges. Prospecting was begun at the mouth of McCullough creek. Gold was found in flattened, hammered scales. Higher up the stream these characteristics began to disappear, the gold had more quartz and vein matter attached to it and at the head of the stream the gold was found as if just loosened from its matrix, in many cases having soft slate still adhering. A little higher up, in what is known as Ground Hog basin, the mother lodes were found. These ledges are veins of quartz running through the soft hydro-mica slate which forms the country rock. The gold comes free in the quartz and is also free in the slate of the contact walls as well as in the included masses of slate in the vein. Sulphides of iron occur in varying percentages, all carrying gold. Some veins are found consisting of almost solid iron pyrites. Several companies have staked the section pretty thoroughly and are now developing the prospects. As French, McCullough and Camp creeks rise in nearly the same mountain, it seems more than probable that this is the source of their gold.

Owing to the difficulties of gaining access to the mountains, but little thorough prospecting has been done, same for placer gold. Then, too, the successful development of mines in the lower country has attracted the attention of more prospectors. In the mountains of the Big Bend snows come early and remain late, thus practically limiting the season to at the most three months, July, August and September. In spite of these drawbacks, it is the writer's opinion that a thorough search of this section will meet with great success. Once a large mineral belt is developed, the Government is very prompt and liberal in aiding mining enterprises by opening and maintaining good trails.

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FLOCKING IN.

Crowds Going to the Lake of the Woods District.

Rat Portage, Ont.—Navigation is now open on all the inland lakes in Western Ontario, especially the Lake of the Woods, and an increased activity in mining matters is looked for. For nearly six weeks the trails have been heavy and the ice dangerous for travel, especially for teams and freight. As a result much development work has been temporarily suspended and mine owners and seekers after properties have not been so much in evidence. Miners for development work are in demand. Each outgoing boat takes all the passengers it can carry and freight that has been in warehouses and in docks for many weeks. Each train also brings in carloads of freight and machinery and all classes are watching and hoping for the advent of numerous capitalists and investors.

Local mining men are jubilant over the repeal of the law imposing a tariff of 33⅓ per cent. on all mining machinery. This not only admits all mining machinery free of duty but all materials used in its manufacture. Canadian machinery is admittedly inferior to American and the manufacturers on this side of the line will have to meet competition in price and quality or retire from the field. As a result, a great roar is going up and great efforts are being made to induce parliament to rescind that action. The best mining men and engineers in Canada have fought for the repeal of that duty for years and will use every influence now to see that it stays repealed. This will be a boon to American manufactures and for mining development here.

Mining brokers report things quiet just now. The season has hardly opened and they expect a greater activity later. A good many inquiries are being received, however.

The latest reports from London are that the interest is greatly on the increase there. Six or seven very strong English syndicates are in here already and more are coming. The company represented by Col. Engledue lost heavily in South Africa and he says that every dollar lost there will be regained in Ontario.

The most important and significant deal of late is the purchase of a one-eighth interest in La Mascotte mine by Sir Roderick Cameron of R. W. Cameron & Co., New York, for $11,000. He also purchased seven other valuable properties and is expected to increase his holdings from time to time. Only a very few months ago, Sir Roderick was offered the entire La Mascotte property for $10,000, but he declined it. The property was discovered last August by Geo. Girard, a prospector, for the Corondo Mining company. Later it was sold to the Colcleugh Mining company. To-day a shaft is down thirty-five feet with a 90-foot tunnel. The property embraces 45 acres and is 50 miles from Rat Portage on Whitefish bay. The ore is a sugar quartz and free gold is visible to the naked eye in large quantities. Assays have run all the way from $250 to $2,200 a ton.

Work has commenced at Keewatin at the old Dick & Banning water power for the erection of a 50-stamp reduction works. The Ottawa Gold Milling and Reduction Works company is back of the enterprise and it is expected to be ready for operation the first of next August. George E. Foster, late dominion finance minister, is one of the promoters. This is to be a custom mill and the company will at once construct barges and tugs with which to collect and convey ore from mines to works and to carry supplies back to the mines on the barges. It is estimated that ore can be carried for 50c to 60c a ton. A number of mining companies already have taken stock in the enterprise. With the completion of the locks at Fort Frances which is hoped for, ore could also be brought from the Seine river mines. Mine owners without capital for rapid development and stamp mill machinery claim that now they will be able to secure enough bullion as they develop to more than pay all expenses.

The members of the mining exchange are exerting Herculean efforts to make the mining convention set for June 2, 3 and 4 a great success. Numerous responses are being received and a large attendance is expected. Papers will be read and discussed. Samples of ore from all the mines exhibited, ore crushed and panned before the eyes of all and free excursions given to some of the most rich and interesting properties in this district. All principal railroad lines have offered a rate of one fare for the round trip, tickets good for one month with stop-over priviliges. A round-trip rate from Duluth to Fort Frances via Port Arthur and Rat Portage, including berths and meals on Lake Superior and Lake of the Woods boats has been fixed at $30.

New Town.

The newest town in Kootenay is Craigtown, formerly knows as Craig's camp. It is situated on the North Fork of Salmon river, about six miles from the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway. The town is in the centre of a rich mineral district and promises to become a place of considerable importance. An hotel and several business houses are now being erected there.

At present the settlement lacks roadways and trails, but a petition with over 400 signatures has been forwarded to the government at Victoria asking the construction of a government wagon road from the railway track to a distance of nine miles up the North Fork.

This summer many mineral claims in the vicinity of Craigtown will be extensively developed. Several properties were worked continuously during the winter.

Goat River.

Prospecting has already commenced at the headquarters of Goat river at the southern end of Kootenay lake. Several parties are exploring the hills and are keeping well up with the snow line. One rich strike is reported to have been made about seven miles east of Kootenay river. The discovery is a well-defined vein containing four feet of solid galena.

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Hope No 2—Robert Cooper
Dalhousie—J G McKinnon
Whycocomagh—same

May 21
Columbia No 7—Robt Oliver
Clarence—Alamo Mining Co
I. May N—A D Coplin

May 22
Nellie Mac—J D Reid
Morning Star No 7—R C Graham and John Bulko
Calidonia—J R Campbell
Mayflower—D G McCraig et al

May 25
Halton Chief, Pay Rock, Q K—E S Graham;
Della Fraction—Sam Deschamps
Boston No 2—Wm Gibson

LOCATIONS.

May 19
Hermit—Sandon, W S Thompson
Royal King—Carpenter, Thos Knight
Iron Mask—Rossbery, John McClements
Silver City—Indian, Jno Henderson
Maud S—same R E Irwin
H and S—same, G H Suckling
Winnipeg—Wilson, Frank Hill
White Birch No 1—Lemon, Dan Nicol, George Nicol, Malcolm Cameron, Russell Nicol
White Birch No 2—same
White Birch No 3—same
Rusty Treasure No 1—same, Dan Nicol, George Nickol, M Cameron, D J McDougald and Russell Nicol
Rusty Treasure No 2—same
C O D—Carpenter, W R Howe
Utah—same, Henry Dilley
London Boy—McGuigan, Edward Adams
Black Hawk—Lemon, Duncan Lindsay and I Schobot

May 20
Sailor Boy—Lemon, Henry Brown
Diana—Lemon, E A Wilson
Superior—same, Henry Brown and E A Wilson
Glenarm—same, Robt Cooper
Glencoe—same, E O Madden
I X L—J A Foley
Equinox—same, E M Teeter
Tacoma—same
Triumph—same, F S Andrews
Lillie White—same, R Cordell, J Gibbs and J L White
Alice—Wilson, C F Denver and Frank Anderson
Aberdeen—same
Mary—same
Remo Abbott—Goat, E O Madden
Young Dominion—Wilson, Pat Sheran
Matchless—Nemo, Geo Long
Sunnyside—same, Dan McLeod
Diamond Jubilee—Sandon, Wm Walmsley

May 21
Sundown Fractional—Lemon, Dan Hawlen, P McNichol
Cable Extension—Bear lake, C W Gustafson
Katie—Little Slocan lake, Joseph J Bean
Iolanthe—same, Wm B George
Ivan—Wilson, David McKay
Princess—same
Iron Horse—Slocan, Samuel Homer
Blue Eye Nellie—12 Mile, Burt Pearson Abe Leggett
Black Bird—same
Big Daisy—same
Copperopolis—Slocan lake, Angus McWilliams
Chapleau Fraction—Lemon, Thomas Malone, Frank Shabot and Jno Jarvis
Goldchester—same, Wm L Copeland and J Breeden

May 22
Examiner—Galena Farm, F B DeMars
Jack—Lemon, Mike Mellan
Bismark Fraction—Slocan, Jno Ripdinger
Whitehorse—same
Gold Dip—Lemon, Mike Mellan
Silver Bud—McGuigan, Wm Ridpath
Royal Flye—Rossbery, W J Laughlin
New York—Lemon, London Humboldt Isaac Loughreda nd Peter McEwan
Waterfall—Evans, Wm Clough, Howard Guest, R A Bratshaw
Silver Bell Fraction—Springer, Wm Clements
Clinton—Carpenter Chas Anderson
First Chance—same, J Mantleick

May 25
The Ben—Four Mile, A H Brenner
Frank Fractional—Noble Five mountain, Henry Callaghan
American Dollar—Wilson, Samuel Deschamps, J A Deschamps, Angus Gillis, Jerry Gaguir
Horse Shoe—Wilson, P H Stewart
Four Friends—same
Dexter Fraction—Lemon, W D McGregor
Perhaps Fractional—near Cody, Harvey J Warner, Gus Faundry, W W Warner
Pilgrim—Wilson, C H Richardson
Pelly—Four Mile, Ed Mahon
Napier—same
Ricardo—same, Ed Stewart
North Star—Lemon, Frank Wagner
Oregon—same

TRANSFERS.

May 17
John Sullivan and J W Clarke to Silver Hill Mining Co—the Silver Hill No 3 $1
Herman Clever to K W Richmond—¼ Artic, Antartic, Pacific, Atlantic, Great Divide, Kootenay Pass and ¼ Rosena Jonstad Newry, May 13, $50
Chas Wilson to the Corinth Mines—the B Fraction, May 11, $1
Frank A Wells to Eleanor J Kendall and A R Fingland—the Monitor No 2, April 19, $4000
P M Hayes to J W Ryan—¼ Prentice Boy, Sept 6, 1895, $1

May 18
H C Wheeler and C H Abercrombie to F H Bartlett and N F McNaught—¼ Cascade and Spray, May 17, $10
W K Richmond to Russell Ormsby—½ Rosena Joust, May 18, $
M McNicol to M L Grimmett—1/32 Sligo, May 18, $1
M I Clements to W R Winstead and F J Holman—to each ¼ Pilot, April 26, $1
Fred B Grimsell to Michael J Sweeney—1/18 Silver Bell No 2, May 6, $650
Eli Carpenter to A E Whitmore and H B Lyall—the Spanish, April 20, $1

May 19
C W Aylwin, Alex Sproat, Amos Thompson to H H Knox—Atlas No 3, May 18, $1
Joseph Wright to Edward Mercer—½ Eagle, May 19, $1
Robert Williams to W S Drewey—¼ Isis, May 15, $1
Robert Williams to same—¼ Gentle Annie, ¼ Elazhar, Reliance and Glasgow, May 15, $1
Peter Chisholm to W S Drewey—all interest in the Gentle Annie, May 14, $1
F S Andrews to G A Love—1/64 Sligo, May 17, $200
W K Richmond to Russell Ormsby—½ Newry, May 18, $1
F H Bartlett to H C Wheeler and C H Abercrombie—¾ Cascade Fraction, and to N F McNaught ¼ Cascade Fraction, May 17, $10
P H Kennedy to W R Howe—¼ Shamrock, May 6, $50
Walter Brown to Albert Doring—¼ Alpha, May 6, $5

May 20
Albert Doring to J W Kyte—the Alpha No , the Alameda and Lake View No 12, May 20, $700
J D Woodcock to Wm Kerr—½ Regina, March 8, $1
W H Maxwell to Lorenzo Alexander—½ Gold Finch, Grey Eagle No 4 and Corker, May 91
Geo Aylard to Alex Sprout—1/6 Variett, May 20, $250
Nathaniel K Franklin to W H Doolittle—the Ibex, April 1, $1

May 21
Same to same—the Whistler, April 1, $1
Fred J Smyth to Robt W Gibson—the Concord, May 17, $1
Robt Oliver to Walter L Brogg—¼ Columbia No 7, May 19, $1500
Chas Chambers to W P Dickson—the Daylight and Hoodo, May 5, $1
B V Risden to N W Feasler—1/8 Three Guardsmen, W & D, and Clipper No 3, Jan 15, $1
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FROM ROSSLAND.

[By our own Correspondent.]

Two claims—the Dolly Varden and Plymouth Rock—were staked last week adjoining the Prospector, and are now added to the ground, making seven claims in all. Four of them, the Prospector, Little Flo, Victoria and Handy, are under bond to J. C. Tanner, of Spokane, the first payment of $500 for each claim being due on the 22nd inst. The ledges which traverse these claims are immense, one being 20 feet wide and the other 12 feet. The usual iron cap covers the big ledge, but the smaller one carries 7 per cent copper, $2 in gold and 2 ounces silver at surface.

The Rossland Stock Exchange has been closed. The malcontents were headed by C. O'Brien Reddin, who was one of a committee of three, which went to Spokane to ask the Spokanites to close their exchange in accordance with a telegram sent by the president and secretary of the Spokane Exchange to the effect that if the Rossland brokers would discontinue their exchange Spokane would do likewise. But when Mr. Reddin and his companions reached Spokane the members of that exchange refused to stand by their offer. So the followers of Mr. Reddin in the Rossland exchange have been nicely fooled. However, the minority section of the late exchange, of whom Ernest Kennedy and F. W. Rolt are the chief exponents, have decided to inaugurate another exchange, and to permit the admission of the general public.

The Le Roi smelter agitation is very much to the front here now, and many prominent men, as well as two of the newspapers, are threatening the advocacy of an export duty on ore, should the company decided on building their smelter at Northport. Some of the American mine-owners laugh at this, and ask where British Columbia would sell her matte, if the United States did not buy it. To this question may be added another—where does the United States sell the matte she produces? England buys nearly all that is exported from the American continent, and we have no need to fear a loss of our market if the United States refuses to take our output. We can send our matte and bullion where they send theirs, and get a better price than they ever did or ever will pay. It is high time that the American mine-owner in Kootenay had extracted from his anatomy some of the hifaluting gall regarding the immense favor conferred upon us by the American government in permitting our ores to cross the boundary at all, and the condescension of those said gentlemen in coming here to extract precious metals from Canadian soil. Rossland is somewhat tired of building up American towns. Spokane has been built up by Kootenay minerals, and now those Americans who have real estate interests in Northport think they have a cinch on Red Mountain ore and intend to work it for the benefit of themselves.

But the Dominion Government is not asleep. Laurier, in a telegram to Mayor Scott, says: "The parties intending to locate a smelter on the south side of the international boundary line would be wise in taking no hasty action." This probably means that an export duty would be the result of such an issue. We should make it known, once for all, that Canada is entitled to the benefits accruing from her rich mineral deposits, and that she intends to secure those benefits in spite of any threats of retaliation that may emanate from disgruntled self-seekers from across the line.

Hart's opera house, now named the Rossland opera house, which has been leased for five years by a syndicate, opens on Monday night with Miss Lillian Beddard and her stock company in the farce comedy "Tit for Tat."

On The Mesaba.

Duluth, Minn.—There is a little more activity in iron ore mining circles. The Norman mine, commencing Monday, will ship 400 tons daily, and will put on a night crew Wednesday or Thursday night. At the Fayal mine a steam shovel has been put to work loading stock pile; they expect to increase shipments daily. At the Auburn, another Minnesota Iron company property, light shipments are going forward daily, with a promised increase in shipments in a few days. The Cincinnati, at Biwabik is a light shipper; the Hale and Roberts also expect to commence shipping in a short time.

John Gulbranson has secured a contract to strip 25,000 yards at the Ohio mine, and will commence work immediately.

W. C. Merritt & Co. have secured a contract for stripping about 500,000 yards for the new Sparta mine. It will be done with steam shovels.

Winston Brothers have loaded their entire outfit and will remove to Spooner, Wis., where they have secured a railroad contract. Although there is considerable work started up there are a large number of laborers unable to get work on the range. Men are coming here daily to look for employment only to be disappointed.

General-Manager Cole of the Commodore mine on the Mesaba, says that arrangements will be made to operate the mine, and it was for the purpose of making preparations to that end that Mr. Cole came to Duluth.

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LATEST FROM KASLO.

From our own Correspondent.

The 24th of May celebration was a great success in every respect. The excursion on the International brought a large crowd from Nelson and the K. & S. brought in quite a number from Sandon. The opening event of the programme, the yacht race, was a failure, as the Kaslo boat, Kootenaian, became disabled, and her crew had to pile her bones on the beach without completing the contest. The Caledonian games brought out a large number of contestants, and the streets were crowded with spectators. The first baseball match of the league series attracted a large audience, who watched the game with intense interest. The playing, on the whole, was poor, and it was a batting game from the start, Kaslo making 17 hits while Spokane made 21. Both teams played ragged during the game and the score stood 15 to 16 for Spokane. The lacrosse match with Nelson was an exciting one, and some good individual playing was brought out, though not much combination work was done. Nelson got three goals and Kaslo two. In the drilling contest only one team appeared, Mason and Peterson, the Whitewater team. They had rather hard luck with their steel, breaking nine drills, but put down 24½ inches in the 15 minutes. Tuesday's ball game brought out much better playing. The grounds were in better condition, and the score stood 12 to 7 in favor of Spokane. The horse races could hardly be called a success, as only three horses appeared to compete.

Duncan McPhail is moving into his new residence.

Nelson & Nelson have opened in their new hotel on Front street.

George Manielly is now occupying his new block as a restaurant and ice cream parlor.

G. O. Buchanan has shipped to Nelson the large crib raft of lumber lately built at the sawmill.

A. E. Barrett, a prominent mining man from the Sound, is looking up investments in this district.

Bruce White came down to have a look at Tuesday's ball game.

The sampler is now handling three or four cars of ore a day, mostly from the Whitewater, Sunset and Ruth mines.

The water in Kootenay lake is still rising, and is now up around the K. & S. depot, necessitating the landing of passengers from Sandon on the hill where the track crosses Avenue A.

It is reported that Charlie Green, who played with Kaslo during the first game, will go to Sandon. Green is an A1 ball player, and would be a great acquisition to the Sandon team. He differed with the Kaslo management on a point of finance.

George Long of New Denver came down on Friday and stayed over to see the celebration.

Mrs. Tirrell and Mrs. Nettie Dryden of Cody came down on Saturday to see the celebration.

Charlie Dodds of Sandon was one of the judges at the drilling contest.

Very little money changed hands on the ball game.

Hugh Mann came over from Sandon on Monday.

Sandon should send a team down to give Kaslo a whirl on their own grounds. They have the material to put up an interesting game.

Henry Croft of Victoria was in town Monday.

J. A. Wood came in from Slocan City on Tuesday's train.

P. J. Hickey came over from Three Forks on Tuesday.

Hall's new hotel on Avenue A is being rushed forward as rapidly as possible. It is to be called the Victoria.

Work on Linnard's hotel has not yet commenced. The Pilot Bay mill is closed on account of high water, and lumber is not forthcoming.

E. R. Atherton was over from Sandon on Tuesday.

Angus McGillvray was in town from New Denver on Wednesday.

G. O. Buchanan returned from the east Wednesday evening.

The tug Halys is being repaired preparatory to commencing on her new route on Howser lake.

LOCAL ITEMS.

The Wonderful shipped a car of ore last week and another this week. The ore goes to Tacoma.

The Coin Mining & Milling Company, Ajax mine, struck eight inches of clean shipping ore last week.

A new townsite is being formed on Ten Mile creek, near the Enterprise group, by J. Lukov of Trail and J. Fleischman, Vancouver. The name of the town is not yet settled on.

Mrs. J. B. Gordon of Victoria, whose husband perished in the Point Ellice bridge disaster a year ago, has got a judgment for $10,000 against the city of Victoria. The electric railway company was held blameless by the jury.

C. C. McRae has returned from a week at Kamloops. He reports everybody there looking for gold. Copper seems to be quite plentiful, but gold is yet to be found. Very little is heard about Cariboo, but considerable of Lillooet.

A. E. Lindberg has conveyed to A. D. Williams the two mineral claims, Mountain Goat and Oakland, located on the south side of Kaslo river about nine miles from the city of Kaslo. Both these claims were located during the spring of this year.

At the fifth annual convention of the Western Federation of Miners, Ed Boyce was re-elected president, and James Maher of Butte re-elected secretary-treasurer. The headquarters of the federation will be quartered in Butte for the coming year, and the next convention will be held in Salt Lake City on the second Monday of May next.

The Magnet Sold.

The Magnet mineral claim in the Slocan country has been purchased by the Montezuma company. Adjoining this claim is the Bolander, whose pay streak eight inches wide of good ore, it is said, can be plainly traced across the company's new acquisition. Assays of this ore show from three to five hundred ounces of silver and 60 per cent. lead. The development of the mine will be proceeded with immediately the snow has left the ground.

Ore Receipts at Kaslo.

The following are the receipts at the Kaslo station of the Kaslo & Slocan railway during the past week, which, owing to the bad roads, no doubt show a decided falling off of late: Ruth, 90,000; Noble Five, 64,445; Washington, 33,000; Wellington, 30,000; Whitewater, 30,000; Rambler, 30,000; R. E. Lee, 25,000. This makes a total of 302,445 pounds, or only a little more than 151 tons. The most of this ore goes to Pueblo and Everett, but the Washington and R. E. Lee send their shipments to a smelter in Montana.

The 24th at Slocan City and Kaslo

The excursions to Kaslo and Slocan City on the Queen's birthday were largely patronized, the C. P. R. carrying out 220 passengers from Sandon and the K. & S. almost as many. A good time was reported from both places. The baseball game at Slocan City was won by Sandon with a score of 15 to 2 for Slocan City. In football New Denver won from Silverton, and the lacrosse game between Sandon and Slocan City was won by the former. This was the first game of baseball in which the Sandon team has played, and Sandon people were well pleased with their home talent and especially with the battery, Dolan and Powell. It was estimated that there were 900 people on the big boat going down. The return home was made in good order.

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Commencing Monday, 10th May 1897, Steamer Ainsworth will leave Kaslo, B. C., every Monday and Thursday at 9:00 a. m. for Bonner's Ferry, Idaho, connecting with the Great Northern Railway on Tuesdays and Fridays, both to and from Spokane and Eastern and Western Points.

Steamer will return from Bonner's Ferry at 4:00 a. m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays arriving at Kaslo same evening, so as to make quick connections with Trail Creek and Slocan mining districts.

This route is the most direct for the Fort Steel mining camps and makes close connections at Bonner's Ferry with the Upper Kootenay river steamers.

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Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between C. E. Lyons, Clyde E. Coon & R. J. Broddy known as the Sandon Dray and Ice Company, is by mutual consent this day dissolved, R. J. Broddy having sold his interest. The business will be carried on by Lyons & Coon who will pay all debts and collect all monies due the firm.

C. E. LYONS.
C. E. COON.
R. J. BRODDY.

Dated this 9th day of May, 1897.
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Certificate of Improvements.

Cordelia No. 2 Mineral Claim
Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located five miles from Three Forks, up north fork of Carpenter creek, on right bank.

Take notice that The Dry Belt Mining and Milling Co., Free Miner's Certificate No. 74,638, 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 for 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 27th day of April, 1897.

S. B. HENDEE,
Sec'y The Dry Belt Mining and Milling Co., Limited Liability.

May 1st, 1897.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, the undersigned will apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate for the district of West Kootenay, for a license to sell liquors by retail at their hotel, situate on Lot 4, Block 2, Sandon First Addition, Sandon, B. C.

Dated at Sandon, B. C., this 15th day of May, A. D., 1897.

M. C. WILLIAMS.
PETER ANNANCE.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given that at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, the undersigned will apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate, for the District of West Kootenay for a license to sell liquors by retail at their Hotel, situate on Lot A, Block 2, in the town of Sandon, B. C.

Dated at Sandon, B. C., this 30th day of April, 1897.

(Signed) BARTLETT BROS.

May 1st, 1897.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, the undersigned will apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate, for the District of West Kootenay, for a license to sell liquor by retail at his hotel, situate on lot 6, sub-division 808, West Kootenay.

Dated at Sandon, B.C., this 29th day of May, 1897.

WILLIAM DOLAN.

LOCAL MENTION.

Union prayer meetings are being held in the school house Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock.

G. W. Hughes will build a wagon road, as soon as the snow is gone, from the Payne mine to the Best, about four miles.

E. J. McLaughlin, president of the Rossland Board of Trade, started to work on the Bonanza group, on Six Mile creek, last Tuesday. This group is under bond for $40,000.

Alfred S. Minter went to Trout Lake this week to work on the Hamilton group, near Trout Lake City. A contract has been let for 125 feet of tunneling. Mr. Minter and John Collins have the agency in Sandon for the townsite of Trout Lake City.

Rev. A. M. Sanford, pastor of the Methodist church, has arranged for services each Sunday morning at Spencer's hall, and alternate Sunday evenings at Spencer's hall and Crawford's hall. Tomorrow evening the meeting will be at Crawford's hall at 7:30.

Rev. T. H. Benton Teeple, pastor of the Christian church at Waverly, Ill., has come to Sandon for a few weeks. A large tent has been put up near the K. & S. depot, where he is holding services each evening and at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Tomorrow afternoon the subject will be "Hunting a Man," and an admission fee of 25 cents will be taken at the entrance.

Judge Thomas Clair, who has been at the Halcyon hot springs for a few weeks, has returned to Sandon. He reports meeting many old acquaintances, among them being Corn Cob Joe, alias Corn Cob Dodger, Protestant Bob, Blue Canyon Pete, Sandon Tin Horn, Jack the Ripper of Slocan, Gold Dust Charlie, Coal Oil Johnnie, Joe Beef, Frosty Corn, Water Tank Bill, Oscar Wilde and Kettle Belly Brown. While at the springs the disorderly element became so great that the judge held an improvised court and each man was served with a blue paper ordering him to leave, or appear at the bar each morning before 8 o'clock and pay a fine.

Nakusp a Sub-Port.

Nakusp, on June 1, will become an out port of entry under the survey of Collector Johnstone of Nelson. All customs showing ore shipments will, therefore, be of record in the Nelson office after that date. In the past the record of shipments through Nakusp and Revelstoke have gone to New Westminster. Under the new order of things the ore shipments from the entire district can be checked up weekly.

Says They Were Not to Blame.

With reference to the accident with which I met while out with Thomas Daniels some four months ago to locate claims for other parties, the owners of the Bonanza group and S. L. Goldberg, I exonerate said parties from all blame for my misfortune. W. KERR.

FRED J. SMYTH, witness.

Slocan City, May 13, 1897.

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