THE PAYSTREAK

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SANDON CELEBRATED.

A Big Crowd Had a Royal Day's Sport.

Diamond Jubilee Day has come and gone, and with it the biggest time ever seen in Sandon. *

The day was typical "Queen's weather" and every one was outdoors. The K. & S. brought in two train loads from Kaslo and other points along the line, including the Kaslo league baseball team, and the C. P. R. also had two trains crowded with people from all the Slocan lake points, including the New Denver band, and all stations on the railroad from Nakusp down. A number of mines closed down to let the men have a holiday, and miners from all over Kootenay were here in numbers.

The games started promptly on time and there were no delays from the start on the arrival of the trains to the finish, when the return was made in the early hours next morning.

The first sport was the 100-yard race for two prizes, $10 and $5. There were nine entries, Gibbs, Wright, Stephens, Palmer, Ross, Cliff, Mitchell, Smith and Brown, and the prizes were won by Wright and Mitchell, first and second respectively.

The prize of $5 for the three-legged race was won by Smith and Smith.

The fat man's race was hotly contested with five entries, R. A. Weiss, E. Thompson, D. McMillan, O. E. Desmond and C. Hastings. Desmond carried off $5 and Weiss $2.

W. C. Gibbs got $5 and a 50-pound sack of flour in the prospectors race.

Seven men contested for the prizes, $5 and $2, in the standing broad jump, Gibbs, Smith, Good, Hughes, Ritchie and Smith. Ritchie jumped 10 feet 6 inchies and Gibbs 10 feet 5 inchies and got their reward.

In the running broad jump J. H. Smith made 16 feet 7 inches and W. C. Gibbs 16 feet 5 inches, and got $5 and $2 respectively. The other contestants were Davy, Smith, Hughes and Good.

The running three jumps was won by Harrington, 32 feet 2 inches, and Ritchie second with 31 feet 10 inches, the first getting $5 and the second $2. The other jumpers were Smith and Smith, Cavanaugh, Gibbs and Hughes.

After lunch the K. & S. took two train loads to Cody to see the games of lacrosse and baseball, and here occurred the only drawback to the entire day's pleasure. The lacrosse game had been advertised and the team from Slocan City invited and given the first right to the grounds. It had been found impossible to secure an outside club for the ball game until the day before the 22d, when Kaslo was engaged by wire. The crowd at the grounds, however, had evidently gone to see the ball game and insisted on that game taking precedence. The marshal of the day, Charles D. Hunter, being impartial, left the matter to a vote of the audience, which largely carried for ball. This decision angered the lacrosse boys and they left the grounds and went back to Sandon. Sandon people universally regret that this should have occurred and endeavored to make every amends to the visiting lacrosse club, and there will probably be a large delegation go to Slocan City with the home team for a game in the near future.

The practice and organization of the Kaslo ball club were too much for the home club, and the latter had no show at any stage of the game. The home team showed, however, that they were good individual players and with practice could put up a very strong game. The Kaslo people displayed shrewdness in keeping back the arrangements for the game and allowing our boys no chance to drill. The gate receipts amounted to $103.50 and Kaslo was given $100 for the winner. The players, positions and score by innings was as follows:

Kaslo.	Position.	Sandon.
Davy	catcher	Powers
Coffman	pitcher	Dolan
Borchers	1st base	Blackwood
Smith	2d base	Good
Green	3d base	Campeau
Drennan	short stop	Welsh
Bidwell	left field	Taggert
Clark	center field	Williams
Rankin	right field	Cavanaugh
Nash	substitute	

Score by innings:

Kaslo	2	3	3	4	1	0	0	0	0–14
Sandon		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0–1

The horse race on Reco avenue was of a high order, the four entries being all blooded animals and ran to win. The entries were: Willey's sorrel Billy, Fletcher's bay Jimmie, Black's grey Col. Spots and Greasy Buck. J. D. Giegerich, C. J. Smith and Bob Macdonald, the judges, were stationed on the veranda of the Star hotel for two hours. In three heats Greasy Buck came in first twice and Col. Spots once, and the latter second on the last heat, taking second prize. The betting was spirited.

The mule race was enjoyed by every one, and was won by Hammond's Bob with Henry F. Mytton, with a cricket bat stick on a mule imported for the occasion, at the tail end. There were six entries.

The Drillers.

The drilling contest was one of the most interesting features of the day. Five teams tried for the prizes, $150 and $50. The rock was sunk in front of the Clifton house, and E. Thompson, J. Buckley and Wm. C. Zelle acted as judges. The street was crowded with people and every place of vantage on the surrounding roofs and verandas were occupied. The teams worked like heroes and the crowd worked as hard as the teams.

Swan Peterson and D. W. Mason, from the Whitewater mine, were the first drillers and made 26¼ inches. They have a quick, powerful stroke, but need practice in changing steel.

Evan Corkish and E. Klein, from the Reco mine, drilled 22 1-16 inches in the 15 minutes.

Alex McLeod and John Maloney, from the Goodenough, got down 25¾ inches. They did fine work, but were unfortunate in their steel.

J. Talthy and Ed Callahan, from the Corinth, made 19½ inches. They broke the first drill, leaving a piece in the hole, and this broke every drill they put in. Outside of the winners this team would have done the best drilling if they had had good steel. They drilled a fine hole.

Dan Murphy commonly known as Candlestick Dan, and William Lawler, were the last drillers and winners of first money. They came from the Rambler and went in 27 3-16 inches. Murphy and Lawler are undoubtedly very good hammersmen.

It has been suggested for next year's celebration that two days be given, and that one whole afternoon be set aside for drilling, with a purse of $500. This would bring teams from Montana, Idaho and Washington, as well as all over British Columbia.

The ball at night wound up the day to the satisfaction of every one, and was a great success in every way. At the door $118 was taken in.

The different committees are entitled to the thanks of the whole community, as their work was perfect.

Another Drilling Contest.

The drilling match Jubilee day has aroused the feelings of miners, and another contest has been arranged for July 17, between the Reco team, Evan Corkish and E. Klein, and the winners, Dan Murphy and William Lawler, from the Rambler mine. A deposit has been made of $250 a side.

Jubilee Finances.

The following report of the finances of the celebration is made by the secretary-treasurer:

Sports—		
Foot race	$ 15 00	
Three-legged race	5 00	
Fat man's race	7 00	
Prospectors' race	6 50	
Standing jump	7 00	
Running jump	7 00	
Standing three jumps	7 00	
Horse race	75 00	
Mule race	25 00	
Drilling match	200 00	
		354 50
Lacrosse team—		
Fare	$ 20 00	
" to Cody	3 00	
Board	15 00	
Room	11 25	
Silk flag	10 00	
		59 25
Band expenses—		
Fare	$ 15 00	
Wages	50 00	
Fare to Cody	4 00	
Prompter at dance	10 00	
Horse hire	8 00	
Fixing barn	7 00	
Bunting	3 50	
		98 50
Advertising		75 00
Music		5 00
Putting in floor		34 00
Extras		7 00
Cash on hand		98 05
Total		731 30
Received from collections	$696 50	
Over on dance	34 80	
		731 30

At a meeting of the general committee last evening it was voted to turn the surplus over to the fire brigade, providing they would agree to drill weekly and perfect the organization.

Statement of Baseball Expenses.

Collected by Messrs. Hill and Annance		$261 00
Gate receipts on Jubilee Day		103 50
Deficit		10 64
		$374 14
Cost of getting team together	$ 95 85	
Baseball goods, as per Lamont & Co's bill	35 54	
Express charges	2 25	
Expenses of team	32 85	
Work on grounds	68 00	
Expenses of Kaslo team	44 65	
Prize for game	100 00	
		$374 14

For Good Roads.

A movement is now being made by some enterprising men in this district with a view to obtain the requisite amount of subscriptions towards the construction of the much looked for and long expected wagon road between Sandon, Three Forks and New Denver, and we would ask all those who are interested, and they must be the majority of Sandon citizens, to now come forward and push the matter to a head.

In New Denver subscriptions have been received by the Bank of Montreal to an extent of $2000, with every probability of a further $1000 being forthcoming from that district. It is expected that Sandon will contribute to a similar extent, and several hundred dollars will, no doubt, be raised in and around Three Forks.

The government will, it is understood, bear half the cost, which, it is expected, will be in the neighborhood of $10,000.

The Sandon list is in the hands of H. F. Mytton.

Personals.

James McDonell of Kaslo is in Sandon.

P. S. Wood of Corsicana, Texas, is visiting Sandon.

W. R. Rust of the Tacoma smelter was here on Jubilee day.

W. H. Taylor of Spokane, a mining man was in Sandon this week.

Col S. W. Ray of Port Arthur, Ont., a mining man is in Sandon.

Mr. French, Marcus Daly's private secretary, was in Sandon Thursday.

Wm. C. Zelle leaves for Ten Mile creek today to examine some properties.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Atherton returned from their wedding trip last Sunday.

R. Silverwood has returned after four months spent in the eastern provinces and states.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Hyde of Spokane were in Sandon and Cody Sunday on a trip through the country.

Ed X. Kirby, representing the Risdon Iron works, San Francisco, Cal., paid Sandon a visit this week.

Jack McGuigan, vice-president of the Noble Five, has returned from an extended trip in the eastern states.

H. Malcolm Hubbard of London, Eng., was in town on important business Tuesday, and has gone on to Spokane.

Otis Patterson of the Gazette, Heppner, Ore. and H. C. Gregg of the Union, Walla Walla, Wash., were in the city during the Jubilee celebration, and think Sandon is all right.

Another Big Strike.

A big strike was made on the Constant, on Cody creek, owned by W. L. O'Connell, a few days ago. In the foot of a little crossent drift in 100 feet on the main tunnel, a paystreak three inches wide of clean galena was found, which widened out to six inches in going down four feet. Work was stopped from going down further by water filling the hole, but some English experts have looked it over already and pronounce it a coming mine.

Brief Mention.

A. D. Williams and P. Annance have opened their new hotel and named it The Filbert. It is handsomely furnished and pleasantly situated.

Ardery & Brewster are opened for business in their new grocery store, opposite the Clifton house.

LOST—Small ladies' open faced watch, in front of the Buckley house. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to the Slocan News Co., Sandon.

Additional Jubilee Money.

Bartlett Bros	$ 5 00
Bruce White	10 00
M. Gintzberger	5 00
Eli Sutcliffe	1 00
W. W. Fallows	2 00
Reported last week	673 50
Total collections	$696 50

MINING NOTES.

An assay on a claim from near Mineral City was made in Sandon this week which ran 8000 ounces of silver.

Harry Williams and J. L. Pearsall left Wednesday for the Illicillewaet country. Mr. Williams goes to do development work on some claims and Mr. Pearsall to look over the country.

George Petty, owner of the Newport, near Three Forks, made a big strike, early in the week, of a ledge between four and five feet wide of galena and brittle silver from which assays are said to run 1100 ounces of silver to the ton. The strike is within five feet of the surface and people in Three Forks think it is the biggest thing yet found in that neighborhood.

The Bunker Hill and Sullivan, at Wardner, Idaho, are running a tunnel from their concentrator under the mountain to the mine. The tunnel will be double track, electric motive power with electric lighting and will reach the claim 750 feet deeper than the depth at present. They are sending 400 tons of ore to the concentrator each day, and over 400 men are working.

The men working on the Cameronian group, first north fork Lemon creek, came down for a few days of rest this week. They did 18 feet open cut on the Sligo and have three feet of dry ore in the face and a ledge of seven feet. Eighteen feet was also cut on the Radnorian, on a six-foot ledge and about a foot of ore is in the face. The men will go back and work on the Cameronian until the railroad is built when shipping will be commenced.

A Royal Salute.

A royal salute of 21 guns was fired early on the morning of the 22d by the sawmill men at Sandon. Four men sleeping in Crawford & McMillan's store didn't hear it. Every one else thought that the British fleet was bombarding the camp. Several sticks of dynamite were fired at a time. The men started to fire the shots on a big boulder, but after the first shot the boulder could not be found, and stumps and logs were used, and after each shot a new location was necessary. The hill after the firing looked like the remains of a Kansas cyclone. Everybody was in bed and several women tried to get under the mattresses and others asked their husbands to get guns and save them. A setting hen, about ready to come off the nest, had all her unhatched chicks killed and has not been seen since.

But a diamond jubilee can not come more often than once in 60 years.

Church Notices.

Rev. A. M. Sanford, Methodist minister, preaches at Spencer's hall at 11 a. m. and at Crawford's hall at 7:30 p. m. Also in Cody at 3:30 p. m.

Rev. W. Beattie of Slocan City, lately pastor of the Presbyterian church in Sandon, exchanges pulpits the coming Sunday with Rev. T. Menzies, and will preach in the morning at the school house and in the evening at Spencer's hall.

T. Brown, John Brown, W. W. Fallows, Alex Crawford, W. DeR. Rose and W. I. Williams have been appointed a board to look after the erection of a church building and other matters.

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EAST KOOTENAY.

As a mining locality East Kootenay is but in its infancy. It was in August, 1863, that the first records were made in the division and the Recorder's office for East Kootenay was then at Wild Horse Creek. The first location in the district was made on Spillimacheene Mountain, where a galena and copper proposition was staked. In the same year placer gold was discovered on Canon creek and the returns were stated to average $8 per man per day. In 1864 a recording office was opened at Golden in charge of Gold Commissioner A. W. Rowell and Sheriff Redgrave and the first records filed were for claims to the east of Mounts Stephen and Field. In June, 1884, the Monarch was recorded, J. H. Haskins being the discoverer. Then followed several other locations on Mount Field, but these were afterwards abandoned. The recording office was subsequently removed to Donald, which was then made the headquarters of the Government offices for East Kootenay. In May, 1889, Golden was created a mining division and a recording office reopened in charge of H. W. Moodie, who held the position till November, 1895, when F. C. Long succeeded as recorder and has held the position ever since.

On the east of Golden through the Kicking Horse Pass are the locations of Mts. Field and Stephen, Ottertail creek and Bear creek. The ores are copper and galena and active development work is going on at Ottertail. To the south of Golden is Canon creek, where there are three placer claims. The Mitchell-Innes Bros. have done a lot of work on their claim, which they purchased a year ago from Mr. Estell. This claim is a mile and a half in length along the bed of the river and operations will be pushed on next month with a view of getting bedrock. The tunnel has already been driven 300 feet. The flume put in last season is not of sufficient length and will have to be extended. Last summer they got down 25 feet and found gold all through the gravel, but got blocked with water. Aylmer and McDonald, the owners of the adjoining claims, will get to work this season. On McMurdo creek, at the headwaters of the Spillimacheene, there are nine locations. On the middle fork of the Spillimacheene the following locations have been made: Spruce tree creek 6 Cariboo creek 7; Carbonate creek 7; Carbonate mountain 8; Bobby Burns creek 10; International at head of Middle Fork 10; Copper 2. South fork of Spillimacheene: Vermont creek 7 Crystal creek 1. Fifteen-Mile creek: This stream is up the Columbia river eight miles from Golden, and at the head waters, about seven miles up the creek, five claims have been located. Other claims are: Spillimacheene mountain 9; Jubilee mountain 13; Bugaboo creek 12. There are also claims staked at Salmon river and Quartz basin, on Steamboat Butte.—Golden Era.

Saved the Captain's Life.

I saved the life of a Union officer, Captain Lozier of New York, at the battle of Trevellian Station, said General Butler, and I was very sorry I could not save his property as well. I came suddenly on a road just as two couriers ran out and covered a Union officer, who was mounted.

The man had surrendered, but he would have been shot to pieces if I had not interfered.

He handed me his sword and his belt, containing his pistol holder, and asked me if I would send him to General Rosser. He said he was afraid of being robbed and knew General Rosser and would feel safe in his hands.

I told him he would be perfectly safe with me, but, not appearing satisfied, I told two men to take him to General Rosser and gave specific instructions that he must not to be molested on the way.

His guard waited with him along the road until General Rosser's command could come up, and as soon as it did the men made a dash at him saying: 'Yank, we want store boots.'

It was all in vain. The guard protested, saying General Butler had given orders the prisoner was not to be molested. They said they belonged to General Rosser's command, and not to General Butler's, and they stripped Captain Lozier then and there.

I met him after the war, and we laughed about it many a time. Captain Lozier is now dead.

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SOLOMON'S MINES.

King Solomon, in the fourth year of his reign, began the building of the Temple, or the House of the Lord. The length of the Temple was sixty cubits. And the height was thirty cubits and the breadth was twenty cubits. The Temple was built of stone, made ready before it was brought thither; so that neither hammer nor axe nor any tool was heard in the house while it was building.

He built an oracle in the Temple, twenty cubits long, twenty cubits broad and twenty cubits high, and he overlaid it with gold.

Solomon then overlaid the Temple within with gold and precious metals. He made a partition of chains before the oracle and overlaid them with gold. And all the statutes and images in the Temple, as well as all the vessels and utensils, were of precious metals. And after he had finished all the Temple he overlaid the whole building with gold and precious metals.—I. Kings, vi. and vii.

Strange as it may seem, the same mysterious mines from which King Solomon obtained this fabulous amount of gold, copper and other precious metals are also being worked by modern miners! Even after fully 4000 years these ancient mines are still yielding precious metals for the enrichment of man. The sound of blasting vibrates through the huge hollow vaults, where, centuries ago, countless thousands of workers toiled, takng out the gold that was to emblazon the mighty Temple. Instead of the faint tinkerings of thousands of hammers, the echoes of mammoth steam drills float up through the crevices and shafts.

Wonderful, indeed, are these ancient works that have witnessed the rise and fall of empire and now remain as a monument of Solomon's great engineering skill.

They are near the town of Cordova, Spain. What they were called in ancient times is unknown, but of the fact that they were King Solomon's own mines there is no doubt.

But not alone did he confine himself to these particular mines. Some distance away in Spain, in the northern part of Galicia, on the banks of the River Sil, are similar mines that yielded him gold of the finest quality. The old workings still remain, but little changed in appearance.

United States Consul J. Harmony inspected them last month and says the English companies are now being formed with large capital to again extract the gold.

"Even today," he says, "a compensative quantity of gold is washed from these old deposits on the banks of the river by the local peasant women, who stand in the shallow places and wash the gold they have collected in wooden bowls, in the working of which they have become experts."

PROFESSOR HILL'S REPORT.

Professor Alexander Hill, one of the greatest mining experts of the present day, has carefully examined these mines for the Spanish government, and confirmed the theory that has for years been held by scientists and scholars of ancient research, that these ancient workings were indeed King Solomon's mines.

Professor Hill has been appointed consulting engineer of the mines and it is under his direction that they are now being worked.

"The mines," he says, "were worked by the Phoenicians in 2000 B. C., and it was here that King Solomon undoubtedly obtained much of the metal for the Temple. In my investigations of these ancient mines I discovered many wonderful things.

"As we journeyed down the immense gloomy cavern we from time to time stumbled against water wheels, made of oak, completely covered with a coating of copper and perfectly preserved. The copper covered the wheels in some instances an inch thick. It must have taken thousands of years for this coating to have formed in this manner.

"These wheels, nothing similar to which has ever before been discovered, were evidently used by the ancient toilers for raising the water that washed into the tunnels and filled the depths below. The water was raised by a series of tanks, one tank being placed above the other until the surface was reached. There are to be seen remains of these tanks still clinging to the rough sides of the walls.

"In other subterranean vaults we found clay lamps that were used by the workers thousands of years ago to light the gloom when they were toiling away in the passages. The lamps were filled with oil and were placed about in the interstices of the rocks.

NO SHODDY WORK THEN.

"It was wonderful to perceive how much this ancient people knew about mining. I was astonished to see how systematically their tunnels and drifts were run. King Solomon's miners were evidently magnificent engineers, as good as any we have at the present day, and they carried on their work on the most sciertific principles.

"Their tunnels were much the same as our own. There was no shoddy work in cutting them out of the living rock. Many of the timbers originally put in these mines by the ancient workers are yet preserved. They stand there, covered with the accumulated dirt and metallic coatings of ages, in the same position they were placed in when the metal for the Temple was being taken out.

"From out of a deep and weird passage, four hundred feet under the earth, we took one of the oak water wheels and carried it to the surface, where the copper was taken off. The wheel was found to be in perfect condition. Time had evidently not wrought its ravages upon this ancient mining device. Living hands once more grasped the long levers, as they were held when in daily operation forty hundred years ago."

Strange is the history of these wonderful treasure caves. In their subterranean depths, hundreds of feet from the light of day, toiled countless workers when the world was in its very first stages of development. When the Saviour walked the earth, these caves were then two thousand years old.

To go back still further, these same mines had witnessed the rise and fall of Egypt; had seen Jerusalem grow from a humble hamlet to the richest city in the world, and remain as a commemoration of her glory centuries before even the palace of Nimrod was built. Rome was not founded until hundreds of years after they had been abandoned.

We look upon the days when Daniel, the great prophet, addressed the multitudes from the steps of the Temple as extremely remote, yet even this was so recent that Daniel was unable to find the source from which Solomon procured his metal, all traces of the fabulous treasure vaults having been lost hundreds of years before, and apparently forever.

Hidden from the world in the then unknown land of Spain, they were mute witnesses of the advent of civilization. In the dim dawn of human history, when the people of the world began, they were there, and were co-existent with the birth and death of races so remote that even history fails to record them.

It is strange how Solomon came to discovery these treasure caves. Neither history nor the Bible makes any reference to the manner in which he found them. They were far away from his place of birth. It is thought more than likely that Hiram, King of Tyre, was the real finder, and that he communicated the discovery to Solomon, who at once proceeded to extract the metal. What is now Southern Spain was then the richest and most valued of the Phoenician possessions. The land was a mine of wealth to them, and Hiram was well acquainted with its great caves and riches. So great was its wealth in gold, silver, copper and precious metals that even "the ships of the Phoenicians carried silver anchors."

It was at this time that Hiram journeyed to Jerusalem, where he met Solomon and took part in the building of the Temple. He became a goldsmith, as it were, to Solomon, and it was he that furnished the Temple with such stores of precious metals from the mines of Spain that silver soon became so common that it "accounted as nothing in the Temple" as we read in the First Book of Kings.

Ruins of the Temple are still standing near the eastern wall of the present Jerusalem. Excavations have been made of one of the ruined walls and a series of piers have been unearthed. These originally supported the arches of the bridge which Solomon built to span the valley connecting the Temple with Jerusalem.

The unearthed wall is in a good state of preservation, retaining as it does a trace of the massive and perfect character of the Temple's architecture, and bringing to mind some of its past glories and sanctities. Many of the stones are twenty-five feet in length, and apparently have remained undisturbed since the time Solomon placed them there. Beneath the foundations of the Temple have been unearthed various subterranean chambers and passageways of immense size.

None of the Temple's gorgeous ornaments has been discovered, although it is believed that fragments of them may yet be found under the hidden foundations.

It was these ornaments of gold and precious metals that made Solomon's Temple the most wonderful building the world has ever known. To obtain this treasure the Temple was plundered no less than twelve times and thousands of men slaughtered.

Winding Hawk's Gold.

A party of Deadwoodites is off on a treasure hunt far into the bad lands, where as yet few white men have trod.

The tale dates back to the early sixties, when the red man was monarch of the West. The mission is to locate the grave of Winding Hawk, once the head chief of the Sioux nation, wherein, according to Indian tradition, is buried $50,000 in go'd. The mound, it is said, is located in the bad lands, a strange and weird stretch of country. On the banks of Wounded Knee creek Winding Hawk sleeps beside his treasure. The place is described as a deep valley whose precipitous sides offer no means of ingress to the unattended. For years the entrances to the valley, of which there are two, have been carefully guarded by the few remaining members of Winding Hawk's band, and it has been alleged that death will be the punishment awarded anyone who attempts to desecrate the grave of the dead chieftain. A secret path leading to the grave, which this party intends to locate, is known to White Horse, and by this the scout means to reach the sacred spot unobserved.

The idea of searching for this lonely grave in its desolate home is not a new one, and for over a year preparations for the trip have been in progress. The story of the hidden treasure has been known for years, and at a trial in Deadwood some years ago evidence was introduced which proved beyond a doubt that the story had a foundation. About 1862 United States Paymaster Wainsworth was en route from the east to Fort Douglas, Utah, with money necessary to pay off the troops and government employes at that post, which at that time was the last of a series of military posts west to the coast. He had visited several posts en route and had but to reach Fort Bridger on the eastern slope of the Rockies before Salt Lake and Douglas. He had with him $200,000, one fourth of which was in gold and the balance in currency. He was guarded by a small detachment of soldiers. One night the party camped at the head of the Chugwater river, about eighteen miles west of Laramie. That was the last camp the party ever made. Winding Hawk and a band of Sioux warriors swooped down and paymaster, soldiers and civilians were murdered as they emerged half clad from their tents.

For many years it was a mystery what became of the money, and not until the old Indian gave up the secret was the mystery solved. According to his story, Winding Hawk called about him the members of his band for the purpose of dividing up the spoil. The Indians were all familiar with the currency, but few except the chief knew the real value of the shining pieces of gold. He suggested that he would give up his share of the currency and take the gold. The old chief loaded his bulky treasure on a horse and took it to his tepee. In a short time he sickened and died. The Indians were afraid of the metal and it was placed in a grave with the old Indian, his favorite pony, his finest guns and other implements of war and chase.

Want Many Mines.

A deal of more than ordinary interest even for a country as well known as the Coeur d'Alenes is about to be consummated. It is the purchase of over half a dozen gold properties in the vicinity of Murray, Idaho, the purchaser being no less a personage than Delamar, the Southern Idaho Mining man.

Colonel George N. Bryan, representing the Delamar interests, has been working on the deal for some time. He visited the Coeur d'Alenes about June 1 and examined a number of properties near Mullan—including the Golden Chest, the Katie Burnett, the Dora, the Idaho and the Joe Dandy, and it is said the placer ground and works of the Spokane Hydraulic Works. Clarence Cunningham undertook the work of securing a bond from the owners and returned to Spokane last Wednesday. It is said he had secured nearly all of the interests required, but owing to the absence of some of the parties was compelled to wait until they could be conferred with before closing the deal.

The deal includes some of the most noted gold properties in the vicinity of Murray, and it was said the first payment required would be $50,000. There are several mills on the different properties, the total amounting to 50 stamps.

MINING RECORDS.

Recorded at New Denver, the Assessments Transfers and Locations:

LOCATIONS.

June 10
Long Looked For—Slocan river, J T Reilly
Unexpected—same, L A Rosander
Silver and Teetotal—Lemon, W E Newman J W Blench and Dewar
Volcano—Slocan creek, Theodore Pearson and S A Rosander
Deadwood—Little Slocan lake, T Pearson
Greenhorn Fraction—Carpenter, John McNeill.
Stormount Fraction—Washington Basin, same
Simcoe—Summit creek, J P Aitchison.

June 11
Option—Payne mountain, Jas Sauten
Hercules—Miller creek, J W Switzer
Buffalo—same, Patrick Fleming
Kickers—Sandon, A D Williams
Rosebank—Slocan river, Frank Armstrong and John Collings
Gotha—same, F S Andrews
Ophelia—Lemon, Frank C Wells
Hilda—same, Paul Hanck
Parson and Tilly Ho—same, James E Orr
Bates—between Carpenter and Cooper creeks, A C Bates
St Charles and Isabella Queen—near Ivanhoe mine, A C McGee and Chas Chapman
Idaho—Springer, Geo A McTaggart

June 12
Redeemer and Fair Progress—Dayton creek, H F Heuss
Stirling—near Ivanhoe mine, A C McGee
Snowslide—same, Russell McDonald and C H Chapman
Burnt Skillet—near Cody creek, H Fraser
Shin Hill—Eight Mile, F L Brown and L F Holtz
Umber—Fennel creek, G Lorenzon
Vulcan—near Exchange mine, John P Driscoll
Dido Fraction—Summitt creek, T Layton Jinks
Mildred—Cody, John E Jones
Apis—same, Nettie E Dryden
Columbia—Four Mile, D K McDonald
Little George—Lemon, A E Tveter
Wood Tick—Sunshine, D G McCuaig
Sabbath—same, D J Weir
Snow Drop—McGuigan basin—Martin Knight.

June 14
Jolly Tar—Springer, C M Adams
Mentor—Houston, Robt Porter
Jacko and Bonnie Kate—Fennell, L. P. Starratt
Silsaercord—Carpenter, A D McGinty and Wm Henderson
Charmer and Maple Leaf—Cedar creek, Andrew Foer and John McDonald
Revenue—Four Mile, E W Bradshaw
Afternoon—Hosmer mountain, Jas Campbell and John J McDonald
New Park—Galena Farm, R G Tatlow
Western Slope and Hazard Fractional—same Francis J O'Reilly
Cazubazna Fractional No 2—Four Mile, David Bremner
Lottie J—Carpenter, Thos Senkin
Mountain Queen—same, John Brown
Iron King—same, Hugh Mann
Mistera—same, Arthur Degnut
Hidden Treasure, Slocan lake, Susan S Gibson
Ruby—Cory creek, Henry Tait
Carbonate—same, J H Cory
North Star—Lemon creek, Geo Quintal and T D Ewell

June 15
Golden Eagle—Evans creek, J M Greenough.
Red Elephant and Sweet Forget Me Not—same, A A Greenough

June 15
Castlebar—Carpenter, A. G. Shaw
N B 66—Robinson, W E Newman and John W Blench
Herald—Lemon, Adelbert C Fry
Lake View—Rosebery lake shore, Aurest Dechamp, Jas Wright and Berthilina Lafleur
Foothill—Rosebery, A Dechamps and B Lafleur
Lady Gray—Lemon, E V Bodwell
Rustler—near Mountain Chief, J Sudrow
Centre Star—Lemon, John Aitchison
Keystone Fraction—same, John Tingling
Old Gent—Eight Mile, Howard Guest
Emery—Lemon, Edward Haley
Cariboo Fraction—Carpenter, Slocan, Cariboo M & D Co
Oscar Fraction—Wild Goose Basin, Alex Muir
Victoria—same, Ben Luckner

June 16
Ballard—Ten Mile, John McPhee
Sunset—Wilson, Danny Genelle
Old Frank—Carpenter, R Strangeway
Joseph H—same, Frank Jobson
Tiger—Summit creek, Nels Larsen and H Richard

ASSESSMENTS.

June 15.
Carbonate Hill—Jas A Guerce et al
Oxberry—Andrew Provost
Congress, Black Rock and Home Rule
J L P—Gus A Hemmeberg
Last Chance No 10—Robt Cuhning et al
Dolly Varden, Dolly, Ensign—Chas L Arnold
Evening Star No 8—Jas Sanderson
Prior, Penobscot and Loina Doon—M R W Rathborne

June 16
Lone Star, Blue Grouse—Jas D Seword et al
Alexandra—Jas H Currie
Joint Hye—R H Trueman
Silver Wave No 8—Sam Deschamps et al
Sligo—Byron N White Co
Monitor No 8—Jas McKleman

June 17
Bonvey—J S Reeder
Constant—W L O'Connell
No 3 Fraction—J M Martin et al
Cariboo, Rambler—Cariboo Consolidated Gold and Silver Mining Co
Little Giant—Chas Fenhaus
Shoshone—J C Bolander
Evening Star, Eclipse and Unknown—James Sanderson
Hard Nut, Eagle—J B Callahan
B C and Black Bess—Recorded owners

June 18
Ophir—D C Clark
Snowflake—F W Hunt
Grand Stand—Dan McLeod
Mojavo—Alexander Stewart
Freddy—Wm A Turner
Sampson, Wonderful Fraction, New Springfield—Killer Creek Mining Co

June 19
Wilno—John Binish

June 21
Condore—Paul Nikola
Wedge Fraction, Saddle Rock, Superior, Anacortez Fraction, Kilo Fraction, Valley Fraction, Rother, Kilo—N F McNaught et al
Sarah B, Katie D—W H Brandon
Ferry No 2—Slocan Lake M & D Co
Carville and Camal—A C Fry
Yuma—C H Locuson
Sarnia and Mountain Chief No 3—J R Gates et al
Commander—D K McDonald
Phoenix, Libbie R, Alhambra—Phoenix Consolidated Mining Co
Big Timber—A G Haywood
American Boy—Eva Boss, Jas W Troup and Thos McGuigan
Atlas No 3—Chas S Ellis
Trilby No 4—Martin Isaacson et al
Empress—Wm Valentine
Kites, Return and Printiss Boy—P M Hayes
Dixie No 3—Chesapeake—W L Callanan

June 23
I X L, Excelsior, Bell No 2, American Eagle, Republic No 2—David Sutherland
Sandon Chief—Henry A Barton
Last Hope—F S Andrews

TRANSFERS.

June 14
Benjamin Steele to G W Hughes—2-16 Dunderberg, Oct 17, $300

June 15
D G McCuaig to Andrew Jacobson—½ Young Dominion, June 15, $200
Geo Henderson to Geo H Aylard—½ Viking and Phoenix, June 3, $1

June 16
M McPhee to John Sandosky—1 6 Mountain Key No 1, June 14, $1
August Schueler to Minna Butcher—¼ Gentle Annie, May 26, $250
Thos Lonergan to W C Dingman—½ Lost Tiger June 7, $1

June 17
Daniel Hughey to J M Martin—½ No 3 Fraction, Feb 13, $1
C Van Moerkerke to O T Stone—all interest in Banker Fraction, June 3, $1
H A Hicks to J T Wilkinson—The Maple Leaf, Mch 1, $1
J T Wilkinson to The Slocan Maple Leaf M & D Co, Apr 12, $5
Wm L Pannell to John T Bethune—Sunlight Fraction, May 11, $1000
P H Stewart to Jas Bulger—½ Horseshoe, June 10, $1

June 18
Jas McKiernan to D C Clark—All interest in Vermillian, Nov 20, $1
John A Finch to Ed Applwaite—½ Robertson, March 24, $1
Ed Applwaite to A H Bremner—½ Robertson, June 11, $50
John M Buckley to E M Sandilands—All interest in the Cliff, March 15, $1
A H Bremner to A E Fauquier—All interest in the Exchange, Victoria, Skoocum and Silver Plate, May 10, $61,100
A E Fauquier to Alexander Dick, trustee for Sir Charles Tupper—$42,500 option on the Exchange, Victoria, Skoocum and Silver Plate, June 12, $250
L H Bartlett and N F McNaught to A G Ferguson—All interest in the Prescott, Fraction No 2, April 19, $100.
Hugh Brady, W C McKinnon and N F McNaught to A G Ferguson—All interest in Prescott and Prescott Fraction, April 19, $3000
A G Ferguson to The Prescott Mining Co—Prescott, Prescott Fraction No 1, Prescott Fraction No 2, May 31, $300,000.

June 19
J E McFadden to Alex M Rogers—½ Silver Leaf No 4 and ½ Canadian Boy, June 12, $1
Thos Hurteau to A C Scott—½ Florence S, April 1, $1

June 21
F M Crapper to Daniel Mowat and E C Lauder—Each ¼ Ravere, and to Hugh B Lyall and Albert E Whitmore each ¼ Ravere, June 5, $1
Henry W Farrell to F M Crapper, Daniel Mowat and E C Lauder—all interest in the Madre, May 25, $1
John T Beauchesne to Hugh Sutherland—½ Columbia No 5, June 21, $1
May Harvey to Martin Isaacson—½ Trilby No 4 June 21, $50
M R W Rathborne to P M Hayes—The Kites, May 1, $1

Engineer's Meeting.

A meeting of the British Columbia Association of Mining Engineers was held in New Denver last Thursday, among others present were: H. West, A. R. S. M., A. J. Colquhoun, M. E., F. Monckton, F. G. S., A. Dick, Captain Morrish and A. M. Bucke. It was decided to affiliate with the Canadian Mining Federation, also to make arrangements for a grand rally and banquet in Vancouver next January. The Association which aims to be representative of the mining engineers and mine owners of British Columbia has upwards of 80 members, all of whom are men of standing in the profession.

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FOUND THE MISER'S GOLD.

Everyone who knew old Ikey Lewis thought he had money.

The women of Dorchester, that quiet Massachusetts village, looked with awe on the sombre walls of the big house in Pierce avenue, and whispered that there were millions hidden away in its walls.

Old Ikey, with his eighty-six years, his bent back and his hoary head, went his way for twenty odd years, fingering pennies and beating down the baker on the price of two rolls for his breakfast. Half a dozen bits of coal were enough to warm his spare bones on the bleakest winter day.

No visitor had been admitted to the big house since Dame Lewis had passed away, thirty years ago. One cold day in January the neighbors suspected misfortune had befallen the aged miser. He had missed his solitary walk of the morning for three days, and the baker had seen nothing of him.

After a deal of fearful hanging back, some daring boys invaded the hermitage. In the garrett he was found on a pile of bagging, under the eaves of the cable roof. His wrinkled face was strangly white and drawn at the mouth and eyes. The young men threw bits of wood at his prostrate form, and scampered for the stairs. The old man didn't wake up and scold them as they had expected he would.

Whether he had starved, or frozen, or had merely slept himself to death in his old age none pretended to know.

Then the kinsfolk here and in Boston began a search for hidden gold. They found a few deeds to real estate and then some one thought to rip up the carpet in the parlor. There they found the old man's bank book, calling for a comfortable fortune, but nothing like what had been expected.

A son, who hold high office in a Chicago Railroad Company, and a son-in law, W. H. H. Moore, president of the Atlantic Mutual Insurance Company, No. 51 Wall street, put a guard over the old house and had the doors and windows boarded up.

Yesterday workmen began tearing the plaster from the yellow walls and they took out more than $70,000 in gold, silver and bank notes. The son and two daughters will get all unless a will should be found.

William Clifford Moore, of Moore, Bleecker & Wheeler, No. 56 Pine street, is the executor, Ikey Lewis was his grandfather. He said the old man's kin had often invited him to make his home with them, but he had refused. Asked if the old man always had enough to eat, he said: "Well, he had sugar, and salt, and jam, sometimes; that's not so bad."

FULL OF NICOTINE.

One of the most curious and inexplicable cases known in medicine and surgery, says the Chicago Times-Herald, is that of Peter Menker, the keeper of a grocery store at 405 West Lake street. He is more than fifty-five years old and is the possessor of a magnificent phisique. Up to six months ago he had been one of the healthiest of men. He was vigorous and enjoyed athletic sports. There was none more robust looking. He was up o' mornings by the break of day and had an appetite at breakfast that would have done credit to an army mule driver.

Along in February, however, he began to droop His spirits fell. He did not laugh as was his wont. His appetite was a dismal failure. The only thing that he seemed to enjoy was his pipe of tobacco and his rocking chair. He could not sleep. His friends advised the family to call in a doctor. He protested.

Along about the first of March a rising having the resemblence of of a carbuncle appeared on his right hand at its juncture anteriorly with the arm just over the radial artery. It seemed as if it might be erysipelas, so Dr. J. W. Wild, a physician living a Chicago and Milwaukee avenues, thought. At all events, the sore was treated as such.

Weeks went along and the patient grew worse instead of better. Poultices were applied, but they acted as irritants. Menker was finally compelled to go to his bed. There he lay in a semi somnolent state for days. Medicines did not revive him, nor lotions allay the throbbing pain caused by the ever growing sore on his arm. It eventually grew darker and harder an more sensitive The man grew more nervous until he was almost on the verge of deleirium. More medical talent was consulted. The rising did not show signs of ripening.

It was agreed to apply the lance, and this was done. The diseased part was then of the size of a walnut, almost as hard, and just as black. The gristle was penetrated and in the synovial sac was found more than two ounces of dark molasses-looking fluid. It had a sickening smell that penetrated the entire house. Upon examination it was found to be nicotine—nicotine almost as poisonous as that found at the bottom of a much used tobacco pipe. The wound was thoroughly drained and antiseptics applied. The blackish looking fluid was preserved and tested. But few traces of blood matter were discovered, but the nicotine, in all of its deadly effects was plainly apparent. Fifteen drops given to a cat resulted in the cat's death.

Within 24 hours Mr. Menker began to improve. A week afterwards he was was about his business. He has now regained his former vigor. But he despises tobacco in in all its forms He cannot bear to smell its fumes. His pipe is more nauseating than asafoetida. It is revolting to his nerves, and he believes that were he to attempt to use it in any form again it would throw him into paroxysms. He is the last cured tobacco user that ever lived, and is gaining flesh since his rescue at the rate of a half a pound a day. Still he sells the weed, but in doing so he gives a word of warning to each of his purchasers. He had been using it incessantly for more than thirty years in all its various forms.

There is a great diversity of opinion among physicians as to the genuineness of the fluid taken from the sac. Some contend that it must have passed through the heart in order to have found lodgement over the radial artery; and that, of course, a drop or so of nicotine would paralyze that organ and produce instant death. But Mr. Menker, his friends and his doctors declare that it is nicotine. "If it isn't, then what is it?" they ask.

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A personal interest is taken by the people of Sandon in the Argo on account of its nearness to town. The tunnel and dump are the first things seen by strangers on arrival, and any advance of the property is welcome news to Sandon. Visitors are continually going up to see the mine and all are given an opportunity to see a mine in operation.

A trip through the workings was made one day this week. The main tunnel is in 240 feet, with a well defined lead all the way between good walls, and an ore body of shipping ore from 60 to 90 feet long with 6 to 18 inches of concentrating. The ledge, like all the leads in this section, is twisted in every direction, and runs from a few inches to several feet in width. Seven men are working two shifts. The work is for development. It is only designed to ship enough ore to pay running expenses, which will be about a car load every two weeks. Several short upraises have been made to block out the ore, and a shaft is being sunk in the tunnel to get the ledge at a lower depth. A shaft from the discovery post to the tunnel, about 40 feet, shows good ore from the surface. The last shipment netted $70 a ton from two tons of carbonates and seven tons of clean ore. The ore gives 90 ounces in silver and 70 per cent. lead, and the concentrating 50 ounces silver and 15 per cent. lead.

Two years ago William Sudrow found the lead only a few feet from where the original locators had prospected and found nothing and he bought it for $400. The Argo Mines of Sandon, limited liability, bought it this spring for $25,000. A. D. Williams is managing director and A. R. Johnson and William K. Leighton of Nanaimo, president and secretary. The mine has a great advantage in being close to the railroad. Ore can be put on board cars for 25 cents per ton. There are two original claims, the Argo and Belt. In surveying for crown grants three fractions were found and located, the Kickers, 600 feet on the end of the Belt, the Christie, 300 feet on the end of the Argo and on the south end of the Belt 300 feet called the Gladstone. The ground extends across the gulch to the logging road on the hill south of town, and roughly estimated covers 180 acres.

Minor Mention.

The Methodist church is going up rapidly.

Bartlett Bros. have moved their office next door east of Black's hotel.

Survey is being made on the Bolander, above Cody, for a crown grant.

S. T. H. Hill, the assayer, will move his assay office to Duncan City in the Lardo, next week.

A benefit ball to Mr. and Mrs. Levi will be given at Winter's hotel, Cody, Tuesday evening, June 29.

Willey's bay Billy and Fletcher's Jimmie ran a race on Wednesday evening for $20 a side, with Billy a winner.

W. S. Drewery, late surveyor for the dominion and provincial governments, has published a map of the mines and claims around Sandon and in the Sandon belt, which is the best yet published. E. M. Sandilands has them for sale.

Mrs. Levi, who was hurt in last week's fire in getting out of an upper story window, is recovering slowly, but is still confined to her bed.

Latest From Kaslo.

When in Kaslo go to the Royal Cafe.

C. W. Callahan was in town for a few days this week.

D. S. Wallbridge was down from Sandon on Wednesday.

Dave Moore, formerly of the International Navigation company, has opened offices in the Alexander block, next to the Bank of B. N. A., to carry on a general mining business. Mr. Moore's abilities in this capacity need no comment, as he is already well known as a most successful mining man in this district.

Pilot Bay Smelter Sold.

Your correspondent has it on reliable authority that the smelter at Pilot Bay has been finally sold. The deal has been closed with Braden Bros. and the boats and transfer scows have been called for to be turned over in two weeks. Repairs are to be under way by the 1st of July, and the works may be running again on or about the 1st of August. What this means to the mine owners and property holders on Kootenay lake is a potent fact to every one in the district.

A Big Fall at the Slocan Star.

William Bennett, foreman of the Slocan Star mine, fell down 60 feet on Wednesday in a schute from the second to the third tunnel. The fall was broken several times by striking the sides and bounding back. He is badly bruised on the body, but not seriously injured, and will be out in 10 days or a fortnight. He does not recollect much about it, but thinks some one pushing a car spoke to him, and as he turned around to answer, stepped into the shute. Dr. Powers is treating him in a cabin at the mine.

The Idaho-Alamo Sale.

The sale of the Alamo-Idaho properties was concluded at a meeting of the shareholders last Monday at the concentrator at Three Forks. The purchaser is the Scottish Colonial Gold Fields, limited, of Edinburgh, Scotland, represented by McI. McIver Campbell of Vancouver. The consideration is said to be in the neighborhood of $400,000.

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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 19th day of June, A. D., 1897.

A. D. 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 liquor by retail at his hotel, situate on lot 6, sub-division 809, West Kootenay.

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

WILLIAM DOLAN.

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 17, block 2, in the town of Sandon, B. C., called the Vancouver house.

Dated at Sandon, B.C., this 26th day of June, 1897. 6-26

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FROM THE NORTH FORK.

Work will be commenced on the Dolly Varden, west branch of the North Fork, about July 1.

The Montreal group will start work in about a week under bond to Rossland parties for $15,000.

The hills up the North Fork are covered with prospectors, and the little white tents are seen in every place. There will be a thorough exploration this summer and this section of the district will, doubtless, take a prominent place in mining affairs soon.

The W. R. T., on the North Fork, will start development work soon. Eastern parties bonded this claim last winter and have taken up the bond lately. The price was between $8000 and $10,000. A trail has been built to the claim this spring from Potterville up the creek.

There is talk of the Roulette building a concentrator this summer on the North Fork, about four miles above Three Forks and a little below the new town of Potterville. Captain Moore and others of the Idaho-Alamo have a bond on the Roulette for $75,000.

John Knight was in from the North Fork of Carpenter this week for the Jubilee celebration. He brought down some fine rock from the Alps claim and got some splendid assays. The property is owned by the Canyon Gold and Silver Mining company of Vancouver. Ninety feet of tunnel has been run and six men are working. The ledge is 40 feet wide and carries a few inches of clean ore and two or three feet of concentrating. The work is under the supervision of John Potter.

Local News.

Acting Government Agent Goepel is the authority for the statement that work will be commenced in a few days on the New Denver-Three Forks wagon road. The cost of the road will be met chiefly by public subscription.

W. E. Terrell of the Cody sawmill denies the rumor that the mill has changed hands. He has let a contract to Mr. Moore of Tacoma to cut a million feet of lumber at the rate of 15,000 feet a day. Mr. Terrell is now situated to furnish any and all kinds of lumber at any time.

J. Robinson has opened a cigar store in the Filbert hotel building, opposite the postoffice, carrying a full line of cigars, tobaccos and smokers' articles. Maurice Gintzberger is manager. Both these gentlemen are well known men from Vancouver.

Celebration July 12.

The Orangemen of Sandon and vicinity will celebrate the coming 12th of July by a picnic at Mr. Levi's grounds, Cody, where speeches will be made and games of various kinds will form part of the programme, which will also include the unique affair of a ladies' rifle match and dancing in the evening. Detachments of the order are expected from Slocan City, New Denver, Pilot Bay and Kaslo.

Arrangements have also been made for an Orange sermon on the Sunday evening of the 14th of July.

Little Girl—"Mamma, I want you to do me a favor." Mother—"What is it, Fanny?" Little Girl—"I want you to make me a present of a nice little baby brother, but papa isn't to know anything about it."

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