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THE PAYSTREAK

OOK II. SANDON AND GODY, FEBRUARY 19, 1898. CHAPTER 22

HAPPENINGS IN BRIEF.

E. Terrill and wife have gone ttle.

e Vancouver has temporily laid n men.

ve Bremner was in Sandon on nesday.

new tunnel was started on the co last week.

ck Halpin and Gorman West e gone to the Coast.

he Ruth has been tied up for a le of days. No cars.

he Kalispell has five men at k on a good body of high grade

he Thompson has increased its e to 45 men and is shipping rege-y.

he Cumberland has a 15-inch streak for 150 feet in their No. 3 nel.

ransportation is difficult on Four e. Too many snow slides for venience.

he force at the Last Chance has n laid off. Too much danger of slides.

o not say there are no girls ves in town. See them at the t Office Store.

om Bruce arrived from Calgary week. Tom is a valuble acqui-on to the hockey club.

Joe Millward is exercising his istic propensities putting a sign on windows of the Reco office.

The Neepawa owners are about to corporate. Ten men have been at ork on development all winter. he showing is encouraging.

It is stated that the Wakefield, on ur Mile creek, will resume oper-ons early next month.

One of the noblest works of cre-on is the man who digs up for his per without being dunned.

People who are going to the Klon-ke will be disappointed in not ding any Trail Blazer cigars at wson City.

The Hockey Club gave a very joyable dance on Monday evening t. The function was a success ancially and otherwise.

Wolves come into Slocan City at ights and howl. Must be a quiet wn. The wolves never howl in ndon, unless they are "drunk and ressed up."

The Payne had to suspend ship-ent entirely and lay off all hands is week. Ore houses all full, no vailable rolling stock on the K. & S. d the tram to the C. P. R. track t in working order.

The Enterprise has 56 men at ork. Ore is being sent down the ill faster than ever before. New e houses have been built at the ke and already are being taxed to eir full capacity. No part of the roduct is being shipped. A rumor current that a deal is on for the roperty.

Larry Doolan wears the blue with a dignity of bearing and consciousness of power that would do justice to a New York roundsman.

What has happened to that finely dress carnival which the New Denver brass band was going to give in the Sandon rink. This cold weather will be gone before July and folks are getting anxious about that carnival.

The Queen Bee has ever fifty men at work. This property has developed into a regular bonanza and very extensive operations are contemplated for next summer. New bunk houses, ore houses, blacksmith shops, etc., will be built as soon as practicable. A large force will be put on as soon as accumulations can be furnished.

John M Harris has purchased the Smith block, at present occupied by the Kootenay Mercantile establishment, and will build an additional forty feet to the Virginia block. Stores and offices will occupy the first and second floors respectively, and on the third floor Virginia hall will be enlarged and a stage put in, making it the finest entertainment hall in the district.

A Successful Concert.

The concert given last Saturday evening by the ladies of the Catholic church was probably the most successful musical and literary event of the season. Given a local interest by the employment of local talent, a good house was assured before even the programme was announced. The hall was packed to the doors and standing room was at a premium early in the evening. The programme contained a number of very happy selections and was enthusiastically received by the audience.

The ladies desire to thank the public in general for the encouragement which they have received, and most particularly Mr. Harris for his kindness in favoring them with the use of Virginia hall, and Mr. Cleland for the able and friendly manner in which he presided a chairman of the occasion. The proceeds netted a very handsome sum for the benefit of the church.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Anglican Church.—Rev. C. F. Yates will preach to-morrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in Spencer's hall.

Presbyterian Church.—The usual services will be held in Virginia hall morning and evening. Rev. J. A. Cleland, pastor.

Methodist Church.—Regular services will be held in the Methodist Church to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. The Rev. Mr. Woodsworth, announced as preacher for these services, has been unable to fulfil his engagement and the pastor will take charge as usual. He will preach a third of a series of sermons on "Prayer" during the morning service and for the evening will commence a series dealing with the historical characters of Scripture. First of the series will be "Cain and Abel and their influence on the world's history."

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council met, pursuant to adjournment, on Monday evening last.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications were read: From the Provincial Secretary appointing W. Lilly to be Police Magistrate; E. M. Sandilands to be Police Commissioner; H. H. Pitts to be License Commissioner.

From the secretary of the Sandon Volunteer Fire Brigade, stating that the following officers had been elected, and asking Council to ratify the appointments: Frank C. Sewell, Chief; Jas. Martin, Assistant Chief; John Morgan, Captain.

From M. L. Grimmett, City Solicitor, regarding expenses incurred in securing incorporation.

Moved by Ald. Switzer, Seconded by Ald. Broddy: That the communication of the Provincial Secretary be received and filed. Carried.

The following accounts were presented:

E. M. Sandilands, Returning Officer, balance due for compiling voters' lists,	$25.00
M. L. Grimmett, City Solicitor, expenses of two trips to Kaslo regarding incorporation.	20.00
Bill of costs paid by M. L. Grimmett to McPhillips, Wilson & Barnard, Victoria, Victoria, for professional services & c. rendered regarding incorporation.	50.48

Moved by Ald. Crawford, seconded by Ald Hunter, that the accounts of Messrs. Sandilands and Grimmett be laid on the table. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Switzer, seconded by Ald. Mighton, that the fire brigade appointments be confirmed. Carried.

Finance committee reported progress.

Public Works committee reported regarding lights.

Offer of Sandon Water & Light Co. for lighting the city accepted, provided lights be kept in operation from dark until daylight.

His Worship, the Mayor, reported progress regarding gaol appropriation.

City solicitor reported opinion that Council had no power to cancel Government licenses and renew under city by-law.

The council as a committee of the whole, reported favorably on By-law No. 6, to be known as the Traders' License by-law.

Moved by Ald. Hunter, seconded by Ald. Crawford, that Thos. Brown be offered the position of city treasurer at a salary of $1000 per annum. Carried.

By-laws Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 were reconsidered and finally adopted.

The council then adjourned.

A special meeting of the council was held on Thursday, 17th inst.

His Worship, Mayor Atherton in the chair. Present, Aldermen, Hunter, Canning and Crawford.

Minutes of former meeting read and adopted.

Financial committee reported progress.

The Mayor reported progress regarding gaol appropriation.

Public Works committee reported progress regarding the lighting of streets and of securing premises for a gaol.

Moved by Ald. Hunter, seconded by Ald Canning that the corporate seal of the City of Sandon be until further notice a paper seal with the words, "Corporation of the City of Sandon," written or impressed thereon. Carried.

By-law No. 6 was reconsidered and adopted.

Council then adjourned until Monday, 21st inst.

Guess You're Right, Mister.

The Vancouver World says:

The ice on Slocan lake is said to be in a dangerous condition, as it is full of air holes. A miner had a narrow escape from drowning the other day.

Not Going to Klondike.

Silverton citizens announce their intention of celebrating the Queen's Birthday. There will be athletic and acquatic sports, drilling contest, band tournament, pyrotechnic display of fire-works, grand three ring circus and hippodrome and baloon ascentions every day. They must be sure of their town.

Tied Up.

The K. & S. is out of luck. The train which left Sandon last Saturday arrived this morning, just 145 hours late. A large force of men have been at work all along the line clearing away snowslides which blocked the track everywhere. Yesterday a slide came down at the lower end of the town, just below the Payne slide, covering the K. & S track and going on down to the C. P. R. track. Both companies had large forces at work and got the track cleared in about 12 hours. It is reported that the K. & S. is again tied up by a slide between Sproules and the South Fork.

The regular train on the C. P. R. was cancelled yesterday on account of the slide, but a special was put on from Nakusp, which arrived on time. Regular train left on time this morning.

The Slocan river road is tied up by snowslides.

The Sandon hockey team left on Thursday morning for Rossland and played there yesterday afternoon; score, 3 to 0 in favor of Sandon. The Sandon curlers were also victorious; score not given. This looks more business-like. Let the good work go on.

The Sandon Hand Laundry and Bath House is still in the lead for fine starch work. Work called for and delivered promptly.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SANDON.

BY-LAW NO. 1.

A By-law for levying a road tax for the year 1898.

Whereas, it is deemed expedient and necessary to levy a road tax in the City of Sandon:

Now, therefore, the municipal council of the corporation of the City of Sandon enacts as follows:

1. It is hereby levied and imposed and there shall be raised and collected an equal rate of two dollars per head per annum upon all male persons between the ages of twenty-one and fifty years residing within the Municipality of the City of Sandon.

2. The said rate shall be due and payable to the city collector, at his office in the City of Sandon, on the 28th day of February, 1898.

3. Any person refusing or neglecting to pay such tax shall upon conviction before the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offenses against the by-laws of the City of Sandon, on oath or affirmation of any creditable witness, forfeit and pay over at the discretion of the police magistrate or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offenses against the by-laws of the City of Sandon, convicting, a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each offense, exclusive of costs, and in default of payment thereof forthwith, it shall and may be lawful for the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offenses against the by-laws of the City of Sandon conviction as aforesaid, to issue a warrant under his hand and seal to levy the said penalty and costs, or costs, or penalty only, by distress and sale of the offenders goods and chattels, and in case of insufficient distress to satisfy the said penalty and costs, or penalty or costs only, it shall and may be lawful for the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace, having jurisdiction over offenses against the by-laws of the City of Sandon, convicting as aforesaid, to commit the offender to any lock-up in the said City of Sandon, or to the common goal for any period not exceeding one calendar month, unless the penalty and costs, or penalty or costs be sooner paid.

3. This by-law may be cited as "The Road Tax By-law, No. 1, 1898."

Read the first time February 7th, 1898.

Read the second and third time February 10th, 1898.

Reconsidered and finally adopted February 14th, 1898.

[SEAL.]

EDWIN R. ATHERTON, Mayor.

FRANK C. SEWELL, City Clerk.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Sandon on the fourteenth day of February, A.D. 1898, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law or any part thereof quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

Signed,

FRANK C. SEWELL,

City Clerk.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SANDON.

BY-LAW NO. 2.

Whereas, It is desirable to pass a general by-law to prevent animals from running at large, and to establish a city pound:

Be it therefore enacted by the municipal council of the corporation of the City of Sandon as follows:

1. There shall be established in the City of Sandon a city pound, and it shall be located at such place and on such premises as the council shall from time to time appoint, and it shall be designated as the "city pound," and the keeper thereof shall be appointed by the council and act under the instructions of the chief of police.

2. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons to suffer or allow his, her or their horses, mules, asses, bulls, cattle, goats sheep, swine or poultry, or any one or more of them, to run at large within the limits of the corporation of the City of Sandon at any time.

3. It shall be lawful for the appointed pound keeper to impound any and all animals mentioned in second section hereof if found running at large within the limits of the City of Sandon, and he is hereby required to impound such animals and detain the same until the owner or owners thereof shall have paid, over and above any claim for damages for trespass and the charges over and above the penalty alone where no trespass has been committed, the sums following, viz:

For every horse, mule, head of cattle, pig, sheep or goat, the sum of one dollar, and for each cow the sum of twenty-five cents, which sum shall go to the pound keeper for his fee for impounding same.

4. Whenever any animal shall have been impounded as aforesaid it shall be the duty of the pound keeper, daily, to furnish such animals good and sufficient food, water and shelter, during the whole time such animals are impounded, and for so doing he shall be entitled to demand and receive the following allowances, over and above his fee aspound keeper, as hereinbefore provided, viz:

For every horse or mule, per day, $1.00.

For every other animal, per day, 50 cents.

For every fowl per day, 10 cents.

And such allowance as aforesaid may be recovered with costs by summary proceedings before the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over the offences against the by-laws of the corporation of the City of Sandon, in like manner as fines, penalties and forfeitures for breach of any by-laws of the said corporation of the City of Sandon.

5. It shall be the duty of the pound keeper immediately to inform the owner of any animal impounded of the fact, or if the owner of any animal impounded of the fact, or if the owner be not known, to advertise the same in one of the local newspapers, and to cause a notice thereof, in writing, to be affixed to the pound gate and the post office, and in such notice to give as nearly as possible the marks, color and probable age of the animal, and if, after the expiration of six days from the date of such advertisement, no owner be found, the pound keeper shall advertise the sale of such animal by public auction by posting notices giving at least three days notice of the sale, and shall accordingly sell for the best price that can be obtained for the same, unless the owner of such animal, or some other person on his or her behalf, shall, prior to such sale, release the said animal by paying the fees and charges of the pound keeper, and the penalty and damages, if any, and the said pound keeper, after deducting his own charges, shall pay the damages, if any, to the person entitled thereto, and the penalty to the city clerk of the said corporation of the City of Sandon, and if not claimed within three months after being received by the city clerk, the same shall become part of the general revenue of the corporation of the City of Sandon. If the owner or owners of any distress taken while doing damage, or any person on his or her behalf, shall appear and dispute the amount of damages claimed, it shall and may be lawful for the pound keeper to apply to the mayor or any one of the aldermen of the said corporation of the City of Sandon, who is hereby authorized and required forthwith to summons three disinterested inhabitants of the said corporation of the City of Sandon, and such three persons or any two of them, shall, within twenty-four hours after notice of their appointment as aforesaid, view the ground and premises upon which the animal was found doing damage, and shall appraise the damages committed, and the determination or award of a majority of them shall be conclusive as to such damage, and they shall, within twenty-four hours after having made the view, give in writing to the pound keeper a statement of the amount of damages so assessed by them, and of their lawful fees and charges.

6. The owner of any animal mentioned in the second section of this by-law, and taken running at large within the limits of the said corporation of the City of Sandon, shall pay the following penalties over and above the charges of the pound keeper, and the damage claimed or assessed against such owner as hereinbefore provided, that is to say:

For every stallion, five dollars (.5.00.)

For every other horse, mare, gelding, colt, filly or mule, two dollars ($2.00)

For every bull, five dollars (.5.00.)

For every cow or other head of cattle, one dollar (.1.00.)

For every boar pig, two dollars ($2.00.)

For every other pig, sheep or goat, fifty (50) cents.

For every fowl, twenty-five (25) cents.

To be recovered by summary proceedings before the police magistrate or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the said corporation of the City of Sandon, either upon the confession of the party complained of, or upon proof upon oath of one or more credible witnesses.

7. It shall be lawful for anyone to drive any animal or poultry mentioned in the second and fourth sections of this by-law if found running at large within the limits of the corporation of the City of Sandon, to the city pound, and such person shall be entitled to be paid the fees following: For every horse, mule, cow, or other head of cattle, pig, sheep or goat, seventy-five (75) cents, and for every fowl, twenty-five (25) cents; and it shall be the duty of the pound keeper to impound the same until the pound keeper's fees and charges, as allowed by this by-law, and the fees in this section mentioned, have been paid, and the pound keeper shall proceed in the same manner with such distress and pay over the penalty in the same manner as directed by the fifth section of this by-law.

8. The pound keeper shall be allowed, over and above the fees hereinbefore mentioned, the following fees, that is to say:

For putting up the required notices, as provided by the fifth section of this by-law, fifty (50) cents.

For attending for the summons and serving the same on the appraisers of damages, seventy-five (75) cents.

And for every sale of distress, fifty (50) cents, and no more.

9. If any person, without the authority of law and without first paying the penalty, damages and costs, takes such animal or animals after being impounded, out of the possession of the pound keeper, without his consent, such person shall be liable, upon conviction before the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the corporation of the City of Sandon, to be punished therefor by fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding two months, in addition to the penalties provided for [illegible] infringement of the other provisions of this by-law.

10. It shall be the duty of the city clerk of the corporation of the City of Sandon to furnish each pound keeper with a book in which he shall enter the number and description of every animal impounded by him, with the name of the person who took or sent the same to be impounded; the day and hour on which he received the same; the day and hour on which same were redeemed, and the amount of damages or penalties and fees paid by the party redeeming the same, or the proceeds of the sale, (if any); and each pound keeper shall, on or before the 5th day of each month in the year, make a return to the said city clerk, in writing, of the number and description of all distresses received by him during the month preceding such return, with the names of the persons taking the same to the pound; the amount received and when the same was redeemed, and any other information he may deem necessary, which return shall be verified on oath.

11. Every pound keeper shall, when making his returns, pay to the city clerk of the said corporation of the City of Sandon, all moneys received by him during the month, which are directed to be paid to the said city clerk by this by-law, and shall at all times produce his books for the inspection of the said city clerk, or of any member of the said council when so required.

12. It shall be the duty of the pound keeper and every member of the police force to ascertain the name or names of any owner or owners of any animals mentioned in section three hereof, found running at large within the city limits, and to lay information before the police magistrate, or any justice of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the corporation of the City of Sandon, against any such owner or owners for allowing such animal or animals to run at large within the city limits, and it shall be the duty of the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the corporation of the City of Sandon, to impose a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars and costs for each offence which fine shall be paid to the city clerk for city purposes.

13. This by-law shall be cited for all purposes as the "City Pound By-law, No 2, 1898.

Read first time February 7th, 1898.

Read second and third time February 10th, 1898.

Reconsidered and finally adopted February 14th, 1898.

[SEAL.]

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FRANK C. SEWELL, City Clerk.

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FRANK C. SEWELL,

City Clerk.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SANDON.

BY-LAW NO. 3.

Whereas, It is deemed expedient to impose a tax upon the owners, possessors or harborers of dogs, and to provide for the impounding, killing and killing of dogs on the non-payment of such tax by the owners, possessors or harborers thereof:

The municipal council of the corporation of the City of Sandon enacts as follows:

1. Every owner, possessor or harborer of a dog in the City of Sandon shall annually, pay unto the chief of police, or person acting as such for the time being, of the said City of Sandon, for the general purpose of the said city, a tax or fee of two dollars for each dog owned by him, or in his possession, or suffered to remain about his house or premises, and upon payment of such tax shall be entitled to receive from the said chief of police a metallic plate having raised or stamped thereon the words "S. T. P." (Sandon tax paid), and the figures indicating the year for which the said tax has been paid, together with a number corresponding with the number under which the said dog is registered in the book kept for that purpose by the said chief of police.

2. It shall be the duty of the chief of police, or person acting as such for the time being, and the pound keeper of the said City of Sandon, to impound any dog found running at large in the said City of Sandon, which is owned, or in the possession of, or suffered to remain about the premises of any resident of the said city, and for which such owner, possessor or harborer has not paid the tax or fee required of him by clause one of this by-law, in the public pound of the said city, and of the said pound-keeper to keep any such dog so impounded for seventy-two hours, and if the owner within the said seventy-two hours produces to the said pound-keeper the receipt of the said chief of police, or person acting as such for the time being, showing that tax payable on account of the said dog has been paid, or a metallic plate in accordance with clause one of this by-law, and shall also pay to the said pound-keeper the sum of one dollar for his fee for so impounding said dog, and twenty-five cents per day for the expense for keeping and feeding of the said dog, then the said dog shall be delivered to the said owner or claimant; otherwise the said dog, at the expiration of the said seventy-two hours, shall be sold or destroyed by the said chief of police or pound-keeper.

3. The owner of any bitch in heat who shall suffer or permit the same to run at large while in that condition shall be subject to the penalties of this by-law.

4. The said chief of police, or person acting as such for the time being, shall, in the months of January and July in each year, post up notices in at least six public places in the city, warning persons of the provisions of this by-law.

5. It shall be the duty of the said chief of police, or person acting as such for the time being, once in every month to make a return of report, in writing, to the municipal council of the corporation of the City of Sandon, showing the names of all persons who have, during the preceding month, paid the tax imposed by this by-law, together with the date of such payment, and the amount received from each such person, and also once in every month to pay over to the city clerk all moneys received by him during the preceding month, under the provisions of this by-law.

6. Any person refusing or neglecting to pay such tax, or guilty of any infraction of any of the provisions of this by-law shall, upon conviction before the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the City of Sandon, on oath or affirmation of any creditable witness, forfeit and pay over at the discretion of the police magistrate or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the City of Sandon, convicting, a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each offence, exclusive of costs, and in default of payment thereof forthwith, it shall and may be lawful for the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the city of Sandon, convicting as aforesaid, to issue a warrant under his hand and seal to levy the said penalty and costs, or penalty or costs only, by distress and sale of the offender's goods and chattels, and in case of insufficient distress to satisfy the said penalty and costs or penalty or costs only, it shall and may be lawful for the police magistrate, or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the City of Sandon, convicting as aforesaid, to commit the offender to any lock-up in the said City of Sandon, or to the common goal for any period not exceeding one calendar month, unless the penalty and costs, or penalty or costs, be sooner paid.

7. This by-law may be cited for all purposes as the "Dog Tax By-law, No. 3, 1898."

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[SEAL.]

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Signed:

FRANK C. SEWELL,

City Clerk.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SANDON.

BY-LAW No. 4.

Whereas, It is necessary to pass a general by-law to limit dangers from fires, and to provide methods of dealing with them when they arise:

Be it enacted by the municipal council of the corporation of the city of Sandon as follows:

1. On and after the promulgation of this by-law no fire shall be lighted nor permitted to be used in any building whatsoever, within the corporate limit of the City of Sandon, without having a properly constructed brick or stone chimney therein, commencing at least thirty inches below the ceiling of the lowest story, and continuing up through the roof for at least thirty inches.

2. Every chimney or flue built or constructed within the city, shall be built of brick, stone, or other incombustible material, and the walls thereof shall be not less than 8 (eight) inches in thickness, exclusive of plastering and all brick and stone to be laid with full joint, and all timber upon which a chimney or flue rests shall be at least eight inches below the base of said flue or chimney, and every

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CANADIAN NEWS.

consisting of eleven stalwart Chatham this week, on their e Klondike.

Col. W. E. Hodgins, of the r-General's Foot Guards, has ointed A. D. C. to His Excel- rd Aberdeen.

rt is current that Mr. John M.P. for Huntingdon, has re- e appointment of Lieutenant- r of the North-West Territories.

ported that the Ottawa Govern- ill propose a vote of $50,000 in nates, to prepare for the repre- n of Canada at the Paris exhibi- 900.

Cornelia Vian Poirier has been uilty of the murder of her hus- idor Poirier, at St. Conute, a illage in Quebec, which took t November.

week has been a week of snow and intense cold. At Toronto rmometers dropped to 10 degrees zero, at Montreal to 16 below, Parry Sound 26 below was l.

customs department at Ottawa ceived $47,000 from Mr. Davis the or at Dawson City. This makes of $95,000 in duties received so m the Yukon since navigation d in 1897.

Richardson, manager of the Im- Bank at Ingersoll, was presented friends with a sterling silver set e worth $700, on the occasion of moval to Montreal to take charge Bank's branch there

dynamite explosion occurred in ll's spar mine in Cantley, near a, on Saturday last. About 17 ere at work in the mine when the ion took place, injuring four men, whom are in a serious condition

Continental Binder Twine Works antford have been closed. It is hat the Company is unable to do ess on account of the removal of nty and the competition of prison . Some 70 hands have been thrown f work.

C. Field, one of the pioneers of rn Ontario and prominent at one in Provincial politics, died at his in Coburg on Tuesday last. He born in Devonshire, Eng., in 1810 came to this country in 1885, to rg, where his family settled.

ere are prospects of a rate war waged between the C.P.R. and G. T. R. The C.P.R has announc- reduction of the fare from Montreal ronto from $10.40 to $9, while a .R official says the are on the .R. for the same trip may yet drop .

ice-bridge has formed a little w Auntsville, near Morrisburg, , and large quantities of floating ice become jammed in so as to form a ular dam, causing the water to rise apidly that there is a likelihood of siderable damage being done if the weather continues.

party composed of ten men are king preparations to leave Toronto the Yukon gold fields in a week or They will carry a good stock of visions and other necessaries for the rney, in an ingeniously contrived t, which when turned upside down nges into a strong sled with runners considerable carrying capacity.

party of nine young Toronto men that city this week to find the pro- bial "pot of gold at the end of the nbow," the end of the rainbow being Klondike. They are well-equipped have provisions enough to last each 15 months. The route taken will by Edmonton The leader of the y is James Montgomery.

he sentence of death has been pass- upon Tom Nulty, the 20-year-old derer of his three sisters and rother. he will be hanged on 20th of May next. The Nultys are a strange family belonging to that class known as "jumpers." During the whole of the trial very little emotion was shown by any of the family. After the verdict was rendered the old man asked the High Constable for the axe, with which the frightful crime was committed, as he needed it.

St. Jean Baptiste church, Montreal, one of the finest Roman Catholic churches in the city, together with the adjoining chapel and presbytery, were burned early on Saturday morning. One of the priests, Father Anclair, had a narrow escape from death He had gone into the presbytery to save some of his books, but was so overcome by the smoke that had it not been for the help of the firemen he would have perished. The loss amounts to about $150,000 with $100,000 insurance.

Mr. H. D. Fitzgerald, a well-known farmer living on the Grantham side of the new canal at St. Catherines, while taking a short cut home across the canal, about 11 o'clock Monday night, fell through the thin ice, where the ice-cutters had been a work during the day, and was drowned. His body was found a short distance from his home. His father was a colonel in the British army. His brother is manager of the Dominion Bank at Guelph. He lived with his mother and sister on the farm.

The Dominion Parliament was formally opened by the Governor-General on Feb. 3rd The floor of the Senate Chamber presented a very brilliant appearance, crowded as it was with the "sisters, cousins and aunts" of the members of parliament. The speech from the throne contained the usual reference to the material prosperity of the country and alluded to many of the leading questions such as the favorable loan floated by the Minister of Finance in England, the denunciation of the German and Belgian treaties, etc., etc.

The Doherty Organ Factory at Clinton, Ont., was entirely destroyed by fire this week. This was the largest organ factory in Canada. The plant, machinery and everything were consumed by the fiery monster, including Mr Doherty's residence, which was situated in the rear of the factory. The loss is very heavy, and the insurance carried amounts to only about $30,000 or $40,000. At a special meeting of the town council it was decided to offer the company a loan of $25,000 for 30 years without interest. The firm accepted the offer.

On Friday morning, Feb. 4th, at about one minute past 8 o'clock, James Alfred Allison suffered the extreme penalty of the law for his murder of Mrs. Anthony Orr. The scaffold was erected in a small shed in the yard of the Berlin jail. The youthful murderer preserved his calm and careless demeanor all through to the end. Just before entering the jail yard he gave Jailer Cook an envelope on which was written and signed by himself the following words: "I am sorry for my crime. I did it out of ill-will. I hope those who I injured will forgive me and that no one will turn this up to my people. My sentence is just and I hope God will have mercy upon me."

Great Activity on Toad Mountain.

Never since the first discovery of silver-bearing ore on Toad Mountain, in 1896, has there been so much development work going on as at the present time. It is estimated that there is five times as much work being done this winter as last, and a number of very promising claims are being developed with the expectation that they will shortly be added to the list of shipping mines. A number of sales of valuable properties are now pending, and several have been reported.

A teacher had told a class of juvenile pupils that Milton the poet was blind. The next day she asked if any of them could remember what Milton's greatest affliction was. "Yes'm," replied one little fellow, "he was a poet."

A PAD NOT A SUPERSTITION.

By her in January born
No gem save Garnets should be worn;
They will insure her constancy,
True friendship and fidelity.

The February born will find
Sincerity and peace of mind
Freedom from passion and from care,
If they the Amethyst will wear.

Who on this world of ours their eyes
In March first open, shall be wise,
In days of peril firm and brave,
And wear a bloodstone to their grave.

She who from April dates her years
Diamonds shall wear, lest bitter tears
For vain repentance flow: this stone
Emblem of innocence is known.

Who first behold the light of day
In Spring's sweet flowery month of May,
And wears an Emerald all her life,
Shall be a loved and happy wife.

Who comes with Summer to this earth,
And owes to June her day of birth,
With ring of Agate on her hand
Can health, wealth and long life command.

The glowing Ruby should adorn
Those who in warm July are born;
Then will they be exempt and free
From love's doubts and anxiety.

Wear a Sardonyx, or for thee
No conjugal felicity;
The August-born without this stone,
'Tis said must live unloved and lone.

A maiden born when Autumn leaves
Are rustling in September's breeze,
A Sapphire on her brow should bind—
'Twill cure diseases of the mind.

October's child is born for woe,
And life's vicissitudes must know;
But lay an Opal on her breast,
And hope will lull those woes to rest.

Who first comes to this world below
With dreary November's fog and snow,
Should prize the Topaz's amber hue,
Emblem of friends and lovers true.

If cold December gave you birth—
The month of snow and ice and mirth—
Place on your hand a Turquoise blue,
Success will bless whate'er you do.

Consult the verses above and discover what stone you may claim as a birth stone, and then if you wish to be very unique for a time and can afford a fad of more or less expense purchase the jewels in as much extravagance as good taste will permit and never appear without them. Make them contribute to your personality, as Russell would say, and give you pronounced individuality.

Of course, one must exercise judgment in adoping a fad that will affect their good looks so materially, either by enhancing or by detracting from them, especially if one is unfortunate enough to claim an amethyst birth stone and possesses a ruby stone complexion. If complexion and stone are congenial, however, and the purse not antagonistic, there is nothing more chic, and, according to the jewellers of the city, a number of the maidens and youthful matrons are preparing to indulge in the quaint, pretty conceit.

BACK FROM THE KLONDIKE.

"Tom Struckit's home!" The tidings spread,
"He braved the Klondike snow.
He left us poor; but now, lustead,
He's got the stuff to blow!"
I sought the man whom, hearty, hale,
Old ties had much endeared,
I knew he had a wondrous tale—
A cool half million cleared.

I found him in an easy chair.
How gaunt and hollow eyed!
His cheek bones shone! How thin his hair!
His face, how mummified!
His nose was gone, and fingres four—
Both feet. His skin, how scared!
But ah, there is one item more—
A cool half million cleared.

"Oh, Tom!" I cried, in pitying tones,
He doubled up in pain,
And rattled as he moved his bones,
And strove to speak in vain.
"Poor victim of the frozen north——"
A ghastly smile appeared,
And from his fleshless lips came forth:
"A cold half million cleared."

"But, Tom, you're crippled now for life,
And while you were away
Your babe, your mother, and your wife
Passed to eternal day."
He blankly stared. Our intercourse
Resulted as I feared.
He muttered in a whisper hoarse:
"A cool half million cleared."

—Edwin Selim.

IF I KNEW.

If I knew the box where the smiles are kept
No matter how large the key
Or strong the bolt, I would try so hard—
Twould open, I know, for me.

Then over the land and sea broadcast
I'd scatter the smiles to play,
That the children faces might hold them fast
For many and many a day.

If I knew a box that was large enough
To hold all the frowns I meet,
I would try to gather them every one,
From nursery, school and street.

Then, folding and holding, I'd pack them in
And turn the monster key;
I'd hire a giant to drop the box
To the depth of the deep, deep sea,

—Dora Sexton.

A Kansas man who was married recently, has relatives, in St. Louis, named Damm. At the wedding, among the congratulatory missives read, was a telegram from St. Louis, saying: "Accept the congratulations of the whole Damm family."

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THE YUKON RAILWAY DEAL.

GREAT as are Canada's resources, unlimited as are her possibilities, yet she cannot afford to be robbed of her land and wealth; her loyal subjects deprived of their rights, and her laws and law-making branches polluted by the pernicious practices and corrupting influences of the scheming politicians and corporation knaves who fatten off the proceeds they are enabled to filch from the people through the operation of the schemes they, by misused government aid, are permitted to burden the people with. The late deal in connection with the building of the proposed railroad to Teslin lake, is, according to the best obtainable information, as bad a piece of business for the Dominion as was the Crow's Nest deal. The only difference is that in one a private corporation secured control of the coal fields of the Dominion and in the other a corporation (and very likely the same) gets control of the gold fields.

The magnitude of these steals will never be known, but in later years when the Dominion is thoroughly in the grasp of the gigantic corporations now engaged in the nefarious business of enchering the government out of the Canadian people's birthright, then may Canadians guess to what extent the resources of their Dominion have been given away.

The following will give some idea of the great snap the McKenzie-Mann company has got. In brief it appears to amount to this: The government builds the road, runs all the risk of the undertaking, and when in running order turns it over to the company, to which it also gives 25,000 acres per mile. An eastern Canadian writer gives these particulars of the deal:

The more that is learned of the details of the agreement between the Federal government and Messrs. Mann and McKenzie, relative to the construction of the railway to the Yukon, the more indefensible appears to be the action of the government. In the first place, the contract has been awarded by private arrangement without calling for tenders in direct violation of the policy so strongly advocated by the Liberals when in opposition. The very same men who a year or two ago were so loud in condemning the expenditure of public money without the previous sanction of parliament are to-day guilty of the offence against which they raised such an outcry, and the very same newspapers which attacken the Conservatives are to be found now vainly endeavoring to draw nice distinctions between what has been and what is.

The terms of the contract itself are so liberal as to draw tears from the eyes of the snap seeker. Twenty-five thousand acres of the best gold mining land in the Dominion, to be selected by the construction company at its own discretion, go with every mile of road which they build. Mr. Jennings, who surveyed the route for the government placed the outside cost of construction at $25,000 per mile, so that in reality Messrs. Mann & McKenzie have secured the right to purchase a big slice of the Yukon gold fields at the nominal price of a dollar an acre. Lest they should be confounded with the ordinary miner who earns his gold by the sweat of his brow, and who pays a royalty of 10 per cent. on his product, a provision has been made whereby Messrs. Mann and Mackenzie shall pay only one per cent. by way of royalty. In order to prevent other people from worrying Messrs. Mann and McKenzie by building through the Dalton Trail Pass, which is the only other practical railway route over the mountain range, the government has given them a five year's monopoly—a monopoly infinitely worse than the monopolies which were cursed on many a Liberal platform during the general election campaign. The clause referring to this portion of the arrangement, which has been omitted in the summary of the agreement published in the government press, is as follows:

"For five years from September 1, 1898, no line of railway shall be authorized by parliment to be constructed from Lynn Canal or any point near the international boundary line between Canada and Alaska into the Yukon, nor shall any aid in money or land be granted to any other contractors for this purpose."

Let it be thoroughly understood that this is not a matter of the construction of a long line of railway over a new country, where traffic returns are more or less of the future. The road to be built is only 130 miles long, and the traffic is already being hauled over its course by manual labor at an enormous cost. The very first train which runs will earn big money. Scores of companies were floated not looking for land grants or subsidies which were willing to build this road for the profits to be made out of it. But for reasons that are not at present capable of explanation even by the more courageous of the party papers, the business man has been thrust aside while the omnivorous magnate manipulates the ministers, and receives something that no other person even dreamed to ask for. The crookedness of the deal would not be so exasperating if it were not accompanied by the nauseating protestations of honesty with which it has been sought to cover it up.

Whether parliament will interfere in the interests of the people, who are being buncoed out of a valuable possession, remains to be seen.

MINES OF TRAIL.

There are two shifts at work on the Sovereign, the banner claim on Lookout mountain. They are working on No. 2 shaft, and will continue all winter. They have three feet of $37.50 ore in the shaft at the point where they began work, and it is improving as depth is obtained.

Lieutenant-Governor McIntosh stated that his company had decided to give Trail a chance, and would put a hundred-foot test hole in the Golden Burley on Lookout montain, Trail. If they are able to secure satisfactory showings they will purchase a controlling interest in the property. The Golden Burley, owned by General Charles S. Warren, Mr. Miller and others, has a fine cropping of pyrrhotite ore several feet in width and shows up well. Surface showings assay $8.

There is a deal on for the Union Mint, a promising prospect three-fourths of a mile from Trail on East Lookout. It is owned by Miller et al, and has a nice showing of $20 to $30 ore.

The tunnel on the Red Point, on Lookout mountain, is in 396 feet.

The largest mineral claim in existence is near Waneta. The owner has sold 14 quarters of the claim and has some left.

The final papers in the Good Friday sale were signed Monday and Col. Topping and Frank Hanna received their share of the first payment. The final payment will be made June 1. The sale was made at 10 cents per share. Col. Topping reserved 40,000 shares, which he proposes to hold until they are worth $1 each. The Good Friday is now working eighteen men, and Supt. Emil Voight brought to Trail some very fine ore from that property.

Col. Topping has sent a force of men to Deer Park to work on the Trailite, a claim three-fourths of a mile from that town.

Steel & McDonald and others, owners of the Black Tulip, at Deer Park, are pushing work on the claim.

The Canadian Mutual Mining and Development Co yesterday shipped 12 tons of lead ore to the Tacoma smelter, from the Gladstone, a promising mine on the Pend d'Orille. Assayer J. H. Spiking of Trail leaves Monday for Tacoma to look after the returns.

James Redbaugh, Pat Cullen and J. Robertson this week sold a half interest in their claim, the Rob Roy, near Deer Park, for $3,000.—Trail Creek News.

GOOD FOR MORE MILLIONS.

The famous Wild Horse Creek seems good for several more millions. The Prospector of Fort Steele, says: "The outlook for placer mining on the creek during the coming season is exceptionally bright. The Invicta Company will work a large number of men. The Nip and Tuck Company is making arrangements to increase its plant. A number of leases of placer ground have been made, and several new companies will commence operations. Among the new companies the Brewery Creek Placer Mining Company are preparing to commence work at an early date. It is also reported that the International Placer Mining Company will resume operations as soon as the season opens, and the indications are that at least eight or ten placer mining companies will operate on Wild Horse Creek and its tributaries next summer. We learn from many owners of quartz claims that it is their intention to push the development of their properties during the coming summer, and we think that we can safely say that as soon as the railway reaches Fort Steele a large amount of machinery will be placed on a number of properties and thus insure the future of Wild Horse as a quartz mining and producing district, as well as a great placer mining camp.

A Kentucky editor said silver buckles on garters are becoming fashionable and he hoped to see more of them. His wife sued for a divorce, and the only woman in town who had silver buckles on her garters cowhided the poor editor until he was as raw as a potato.

DONT GO TO DAWSON.

Sioux City, Iowa.—On the strength of a letter written to him from Alaska by the wife of his friend, B. Ferguson, Frank Vondrake of this city has abandoned his plan to seek wealth on the Klondike. Mrs. Ferguson is a Bohemian, and the letter is written in her own language. A translation furnished by Vondrake runs as follows:

The majority are suffering and in want here. Only the few are gathering fortunes. Many will leave in the spring with less money than they brought with them. My husband and I are going to leave on the first boat, which will arrive about June 1. People are arriving every day. Sometimes 50 come in between dawn and dark. They report that thousands upon thousands are waiting where food is cheaper and that they will arrive on the first boat. Contractors making contracts for next season on the basis of $8 per day—just about enough to live on. It is not as easy to grow rich as the papers say. Much of the news is sent out by Klondike boom speculators. By working for others it is impossible to make much and most of those who do well succeed by speculation. They buy cheaply and sell at big prices during the booms.

SCURVY BREAKS OUT.

"In the shadow of death," says E. H. Welles of the 6,000 prospectors who have been wintering it about Dawson City. Mr. Welles left that community about the middle of December as the bearer of the special government dispatches which created such a furore on their publicity. His information, therefore, may be taken as accurate and reliable. He is an old Alaskan, having penetrated the interior a number of times in the service of various news agencies.

"Provisions were scarce when I left," he said, "but starvation threatened less than scurvy. Unsuitable food has brought down this epidemic on the miners and they will suffer dreadfully, as in that region it is more fatal than on shipboard."

A TIMELY WARNING.

The Skagway News of the 28th Jan. says that "the rush from all parts of the country is bringing into the territory too many men without means, but who are willing to work, as well as those without means or inclination to labor. We are reliably informed that there are many men in the States who are throwing up good positions to join the great rush to the Klondike. We regret to hear this. No man who is making a comfortable living for himself and family is justified in abandoning a remunerative position in the hope of making a fortune in another land. It is, unfortunately, only too true that distance lends enchantment to the view.

SLOCAN HOTEL

Newly opened in New Denver, is one of comfort, luxury and ease. The rooms are elegantly furnished, the building hard-finished, the dining-room warm, light and tastefully decorated, and the tables laden with all the viands fit to eat. It isn't necessary to talk about Henry Stege's bar. It is too well known.

HENRY STEGE, Prop'r

NEW DENVER ITEMS.

Taylor left for the coast Wednes-orning.

y Sherran has taken over the Hotel and will run that favorite in the future.

and Mrs. Jas. Delaney will leave toria this week, where Mr. Delaney have his fractured arm treated.

ther robbery was committed last night. The celler of the Grand l was broken into and two bottles ch whiskey carried away.

snow on the low altitudes has disappeared and travel in the ains is becoming perilous. Snow are dangerously numerous.

C. G. Baker and children, wife of ker, of the firm of Walker Bros. er, arrived to-day from Napanee, and New Denver's population has sed by six.

public debt of British Columbia ges $29 per capita. Ontario has at all In Quebec the public debt, thstanding the Mercier regime, ges only $11.75 per capita.

rk on the Mollie Hughes, lately ased by local men, has already oped a good showing of ore, run-200 ounces in silver. Before the l had been run more than 10 feet a trike was made

William Hunter Company, L't'd, be incorporated under the Joint Company's act, with a capital of 00 in 10,000 shares at $10 each. It lo a general merchandising busi-The provisional directors are: m Hunter, Silverton; Thomas Wilson, Silverton; Duncan Mac-on, Alamo Concentrator; John T. , Three Forks; Charles Lowen, Concentrator.

lowing the important "news item" Vancouver World, that the ice on lake is filled with air holes comes qually important announcement in attle Post Intelligencer that on tigating a charge that a Silverton ad been buncoed in Seattle, it has there is no such town in British bia as Silverton. Some editors to be jailed for criminal ignor-

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lve men are employed on the Ex-mine, and a shipment of high ore is to be made in the near

. Beaucheene and Jas. Livingstone, of the Albert mine, have done 90 tunnel work this winter on the rty, and have a car load of ore in

eral men are at work on the Cam-n and ore is being taken out for r shipment. The returns from a shipment to the Nelson smelter been received, but not given out.

Rainbow is looking fine. A 14-foot has been sunk this winter, and l tons of good shipping ore is on mp. The ledge has been stripped . The ore is mainly galena, con-some copper.

Arlington mine is going to be the t in this district. In the lower gs the footwall has been followed feet and a cross-cut is there being of the main lead. The lead is to be over 30 feet wide, contain-y high grade ore. In the upper gs, 75 feet above the lower, clean being taken out from a paysteak han 20 inches in width.

AROUND KETTLE RIVER.

ining district which was never d and of which little is known is rrounding the main Kettle river 0 miles above Rock creek. The indications warrant the con-that this district will take rank among the wider known mineral regions of southern Yale. The development work already done has proven that there are ores in quantity and quality. The shaft on the Belcher in this district, which is down 40 feet, is in two feet of solid ore, encased in another two feet of ore matter Assays yielded from $11 to $22 in gold; they also contained copper values. The vein on the Belcher has been stripped for a considerable distance.

The Silver Dollar, a property in the vicinity of the Belcher, has recently been bonded by an English syndicate, for $38,000. Five per cent. was paid in cash. Work will be resumed on the Silver Dollar in a short time. A tunnel has been run in on the property for 15 feet; there is a well defined vein, 10½ feet, and the average assays give the high value of $27 in gold.

HEINZE AND THE C.P.R.

What Was Paid for the Narrow Gauge Roads in Kootenay.

The Anaconda Standard has an interview with Carlos Warfield, private secretary to F. August Heinze in which he states the terms of the recent sale of Heinze holdings in West Kootenay to the Canadian Pacific Railway. All the dispatches from Ottawa and Montreal have conveyed the information that the purchase price was $900,000. It was stated that Mr. Heinze wanted $1,250,000, but accepted the lower figure when he found that the Canadian Pacific Railway really meant to parallel his lines. Mr. Warfield, however, says that the larger sum was paid and that Mr. Heinze retains important holdings in Trail district still.

It is the Canadian Pacific's intention, Mr. Warfield states, upon assuming controll of the properties to broaden the gauage of the road; which is at present a narrow-gauge, between Trail and Rossland, and put in a lead plant in connection with the present smelting plant. A freight and treatment rate of $3 will be made from Rossland to Trail, which is 50 cents lower than previous rates. It is also expected, Mr Warfield states, that the Canadian Pacific will build a road west from Robson through the Boundary country to Penticton, With this completed, the Kootenay mining region will have pretty thorough rail connections and a vast mineral territory will be opened up which will give the Canadian Pacific Railway smelter all the business it can handle.

ON FRENCH CREEK.

The following case is pending of much interest to mining men. Through the middle of the French Creek Company's ground lies the bed of the creek, where the old workings were located at the time of the French creek stampede in 1866. The company did not take this ground up, thinking, no doubt, that it was worked out, but confined itself to the bench lands on each side. Now F. Vandall, S. J. Baker and M. Black are making application, each for a lease of a placer claim, the three comprising these abandoned workings. The company intended to send their tailings on to this ground, and will contest the grant of the applications.

FATAL SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

A fatal shooting accident occurred at Summerside, opposite Port Moody, says the Vancouver World, the victim being a young trapper named Richard Fraser. It seems that early in the morning Fraser crossed the inlet from Port Moody and a woman who lives near the shore at Summerside says she saw him getting out of the boat and a few seconds later heard the report of a gun. Fraser was later in the morning found on the wharf with a bullet in his left lung and his right hand badly mangled by a bullet. In the afternoon he was brought to the city and was conscious when he reached the hospital. Everything possible was done for him, but it was found that he was fast sinking and later in the evening he died. His partner, Fred. Macgowan, was in the city and gave the particulars to the police. It is supposed that Fraser's gun went off accidentally while he was getting out of the boat. He was a native of Scotland.

ALL LITIGATION SETTLED.

The British America Corporation has just secured E. Haney's interets in the Pack Train and Legal Tender mining claims on Nickle Plate flat. The conditions is said to be $25,000. A man by the name of Dunlap, who held this property, died and Edward Haney relocated the ground. Phil. Aspinwall and others also laid claim to it, and a lawsuit was the result. This deal includes Haney's interest and it is understood will result in settling all litigation.

Chamber of Mines.

The Committee which has in hand the matter of the formation of a Chamber of Mines for British Columbia, reports that it is meeting with success in its official efforts. The committee has received many replies from up-country mining men, and from Victorians, intimating that representatives from all over the Province will attend the adjourned meeting at the Hotel Vancouver on Tuesday, February 15th It is important that this should be kept in mind, and that there should be a big attendance.

Out of the Frying Pan.

The name of the western Crow's Nest railway terminus at the south end of Kootenay lake has been changed from Kalama to Kuskonook, an Indian name, signifying "End of the lake." The change was made by the Kaslo & Slocan Railway Land Company, the owners of the townsite, who now have surveyors there platting it. If there is anything in a name the new town ought to prosper if it survives the christening.

SORROWING MOTHERS.

At the close of a dinner recently given in Cartersville, Ga., Sam. Jones, the well-known evangelist, made an address especially designed for the young men of that section. He said among other things:

There is nothing I wish more than to see each one of you happy and successful in life. You are bright young men, and can make for yourselves a future if you will but try. I will tell you my ideal of the greatest and best young man. He is one who never steps upon his mother's bleeding heart. He is one who loves and obeys her, and who would yield his life before he would cause her pain. I have asked you here today so that I might be with you and tell you these things. Boys, I want to tell you three things you should not do. You should not drink. Drink has dragged down the best of our land, and I grieve to say that so many of our young men are in the grasp of this terrible appetite. Twenty-five years ago I lived in a little cottage up on yonder hill, and nearly every night I would go home to my wife drunk. With tears in her eyes, she would beg me not to do so agpin, and I would promise, but that very night I would go home drunker than before. But it wasn't my fault. I was not a hypocrite. I meant it when I promised, but I wasn't strong enough. But, thank God, boys, I won at last. I quit drink, and for nearly twenty-six years I have not tasted a drop. But I will not feel secure from a drunkard's grave until my wife has kissed my cheeks cold in death. I am afraid of it yet. You should all be afraid of it Don't drink, boys. Every drop you take means misery for your poor mothers, and it is but one step nearer ruin.

"Do you like poetry, Nellie?" "Yes, George." "What kind do you like?" "Well, whenever I see you walking I admire the poetry of motion."

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MINING RECORDS.

The following is a complete list of the mining transactions recorded during the week in the several mining divisions of the Slocan. Those of New Denver were as follows:—

LOCATIONS.

FEB 10—Ray, Howson creek, Geo Monson.
FEB 12—Centaur, Four Mile, M E Rammelmeyer.

ASSESSMENTS.

FEB 10—Napier, Pelly, Bigaldo.
FEB 14—Vancouver Fraction, Sinclair, Hill Top, Katie D. Sarah B.

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FEB 10—Inverness, O K, Halton Chief, Pay Rock.
FEB 14—Midnight Fraction.

TRANSFERS.

FEB 8—Mohawk ¼, J S McFarland to M E Rammelmyer, Feb 5.
Power of attorney, J D Farrell to N D Moore, Jan 19.
FEB 9—Detroit, J D Farrell to Wm Hunter, Feb 9, $750.
FEB 11—R E Lee, Duluth, Shuniah, all interest J L Retallack to Lorenzo Alexander, Feb 5.
Chambers, J M Burke to J L Retallack, Jan 18.
FEB 12—Loto ¼, A J Smith to Robt Cook, Jan 12.
Star ½, C E Perry to W P Caddell, Jan 6, $65.
FEB 14—Eagle Fraction 1/5, Chas McNicoll to P B Bartlett, Feb 12.
Mist ¼, B F McNaught to F H Bartlett, Feb 12.
Ingersoll, Chas Tunks to Willis F Cook and W E Croppe, Jan 22.

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TRANSFERS.

FEB 4—Hoodo ½, Peter Schonberg to Angus McDonald.
FEB 8—Portabella ¼, Frank Sousel to John Graham.
FEB 9—Two Friends and Oxberry ¼, Andrew Provost to Annie Provost.
True Blue, Mamie No 2, Transfer, Kingston, Rainbow and Noonday, Wm Hicks to James M Farrell.
FEB 10 Bulko ½, Robt A Bradshaw to Jas Melly, $315.50.
Empire No 7 ¼, Sousel to Andrew Provost.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

FEB 3—Ontario, E J Mathews.
FEB 8—Fourth of July, Monitor No 2.

ASSESSMENTS.

FEB 3—Good Luck, Bonita, Skylark, Silver Bell.
FEB 3—Iron King, Marble City, Tacoma.
FEB 4—Joke.

TRANSFERS.

FEB 3—Kootenay Queen 1/6, H P Heacock to John R Reaves.
Slocan Chief No 10 1/6, same to same.
Kootenay Queen 1/6, Herber Shaw to same.
Slocan Chief No 10 1/6, same to same.
FEB 4—Bullion 1/6, Daniel Crawford to Agnes Willey.
Mayflower 1/6 same to same,
Bullion 1/12, Agnes Willey to Geo E Martin.
Mayflower 1/12, same to same.
FEB 7—Working partnership agreement between H Abbott, J L G Abbott, E L Heathby Tim O'Leary re Kootenay, Monarch, Granite and Vancouver.
Brooklyn ¼, E A McNaughton to J A Regan.
Silver King Fractional 1/6, Chas Behrman to E Morvan.
FEB 8—Bryan ¼, John E McRae to J Y Kesler-Mount Pleasant ¼, same to same.

THE STICKINE-TESLIN ROAD.

Men and Supplies Being Pushed Forward For the Big Undertaking.

D. D. Mann has not lost much time in coming to the coast to inaugurate the building of the Stickine-Teslin lake railway, which he and his partner, Mr. Mackenzie, have undertaken, says the Victoria Colonist. He will establish offices in both Vancouver and Victoria, and push supplies up to Glenora just as fast as the material and men can be shipped. A hundred and fifty men and 60 teams will be sent ahead at once, for one of the first things will be the building of a sleigh road through to Teslin lake, with posts established at every 25 miles, provisions for the accommodation of travellers being made at these camps.

Permanent camps will be established on the Stickine river for use next winter as well as this. Three engineering parties are to go to work at once, and just as soon as the line is located 1,000 men will be put to work at the Glenora end, and more will be employed as rapidly as possible. Indeed, 4,000 men will be employed when everything is in full swing. A large number, no doubt, for such a short railway, but time is valuable and Mr. Mann is fully confident of finishing the contract before September 1, the time agreed on with the government. He expects that between 250.000 and 300,000 tons of supplies will be put through by means of this road this year. For the road itself it will be one of the quickest ever built, for when it is considered that the opening of navigation on the Stickine is May 1, it will leave only 120 days for the building of the railway, or as Mr. Mann says his motto is, "A 150 miles in 120 days." Already orders for the rolling stock have been given, and are now in course of being carried out. Mr. Mackenzie is looking after the securing of the rails, and the plant for the preliminary operations is already on the way by freight. This will give some idea of the promptness in carrying out the big undertaking. Both Victoria and Vancouver will benefit considerably by this road, as large quantities of supplies will be purchased in both towns by the contractors. Teams are to be set at work freighting up the Stickine, for part of the contract is to furnish transportation from the mouth of the river. As soon as navigation opens steamers will be run up the Stickine, and from Teslin lake to Dawson City, the steamers now being in course of construction in the east.

ROLLING STOCK PURCHASED.

Great Falls, Mont., Feb. 4.—Negotiations were closed to-day whereby the Canadian government contractors for the new Klondike line of railroad from Telegraph creek to the south end of Teslin lake purchased from the Great Falls and Canada railway 80 miles of narrow gauge rails, four locomotives and a number of cars to be used in the construction and operation of the new road. The work of construction will be begun within 10 days and the entire line completed by June 1, at which time the Stickine and Teslin rivers will be open to navigation and afford the shortest route for reaching the Alaska gold fields.

BOUNDARY CREEK.

A rich strike has been made on the Midnight claim, in Deadwood Camp. This property is owned by the Mr. W. S. Fletcher. Two men are at work on the claim.

A number of prospectors are making preparations to explore the head waters of the east fork of the North Nork of the Kettle river this spring, in hopes of discovering free gold, which it is claimed is to be found in that district.

The Brandon & Golden Crown company consented to accept the mining plant from the Ingersoll-Sergeant company. The greater portion of the plant was left at Anaconda, awaiting the the pleasure of the Golden Crown company. The Ingersoll company has accepted the terms offered by the Golden Crown.

The shaft on the Elmore, owned by the Belcher Consolidated Mining Company, and situated near Christina lake, is down a distance of 40 feet, and is looking well, the entire bottom being in mineral. The ore is pyrrhotite, with a little copper. The shaft is being sunk on a vein that is 60 feet wide, and the outlook is promising.

The Albion last week commenced a shipment of 250 tons of ore to the Stevenson concentrator and the mine is yielding probably 20 tons of ore per day, carrying from 60 to 70 per cent lead and from 60 to 100 ounces of silver. The north drift, in which the men are now working, is in 95 feet on the vein and the face of the drift has four feet of fine ore.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has opened a branch bank at Dresden, Ont., with Mr. R. T. Mussen as manager.

YOU'SE JUST A LITTLE NIGGER.

Dey aint no use o' cryin' now,
So niggy go to sleep;
Dey aint no use o' fussin',
Nigger babies mustn't weep.
We aint got all de comforts,
Like de white folks rich an' fine,
You'se jes' a little nigger
Still you'se mine, all mine.

CHORUS.

You'se jes' a little nigger
Still you'se mine, all mine,
An' when you rolls yer great big eyes
Why how dey shine,
Your mammy loves you dearly,
An' will all time,
You'se jes' a little nigger,
Still you'se mine, all mine.

You aint got silks and satins
Fur me to wrap you in,
You aint got any silver spoons,
Dis yer one's made o' tin;
But when de spring time comes aroun'
De birds an' beeses too,
Will sing, an' all de flowers
In de woods will bloom for you.

Pu'haps you don't amount to much
But niggy jes' de same,
Some day among de cullud folks
You'll hab a great big name
Of co'se some of de white folks think
Dat somehow you won't do,
But baby trust de Lordy
An' he'll sho' take care of you.

De sunshine from de he'vens
An' de fallin' of de rain,
Am 'tended for de white folks
An' de black one's jes' de same.
De very sweetes' melon sometimes
Has de greenes' rine,
You'se jes' a little nigger
Still you'se mine, all mine.

Paul Dresser, in Ev'ry Month.

KEEP A-GOIN'.

If you strike a thorn, or rose,
Keep a-goin'!
If it hails, or if it snows,
Keep a-goin'!
'Taint no use to sit an' whine
When the fish ain't on your line
Bait your hook an' keep a-tryin'—
Keep agoin'!

When the weather kills your crop,
Keep a-goin'!
When you tumble from the top,
Keep a-goin'!
S'pose you're out of every dime;
Gittin' broke ain't any crime;
Tell the world you're feelin' fine—
Keep a-goin'!

When it looks like all is up,
Keep a-goin'!
Drain the sweetness from the cup,
Keep a goin'!
See the wild birds on the wing,
Hear the bells that sweetly ring,
When you feel like singin' sing—
Keep a-goin'!

—Frank L. Stanton.

The Grand Trunk Railway is applying to the Ottawa House for permission to build an international bridge from Windsor to Detroit.

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President Board of Trade, Vancouver, B. C.

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...flue shall be so constructed as to ...ng cleaned.

...pipe shall pass through any parti... or floor, except through metal ...rounded with not less than four ... or cement, nor within a less dist... sixteen inches from ceiling or side ...d that no pipe shall pass through ... partition or ceiling before entering ...All pipes shall be well fastened and ...on or copper wire, to prevent them ...ocked or jarred out of place, and all ..., when not in actual use, shall be ...stopper of metal or other incombust...

...stove shall stand on an iron or zinc ... two feet by three feet for ordinary ... and proportionately large plate for ... and kitchen stoves.

...building of two stories or more ... have a strong fixed ladder attached ... the side or end the roof, and extend... to the roof, on the outside of the ... easy access to the roof in case of ...; such ladder shall be kept in perfect repair ... in use at all times at the expense of the ...ment of person in charge of the build... case of the non-compliance with ... of this by-law by the owner, or ... person in charge of any building, ...pal council shall cause the said ladder ...erected or repaired at the expense of the ...ant or person in charge of the build...

...person shall keep or have in any house ... City of Sandon, at any one time, more ...ty-five pounds of gunpowder or dyna... the same is kept in a magazine at a ... place to be approved of by the fire and ... inspector, and all gunpowder or dyna... the said quantity which is kept as ... any person within the city, shall be de... in a fire proof box or safe, and no person ... a lighted candle, lantern, lamp, light ... any description near the same.

...person shall use a lighted candle or lamp ...stable, building, or place within the city ...y, straw, hemp, cotton, flax, resin, gun... or other combustible materials shall be ... kept, or be or in a carpenter's or cabinet... shop, unless the same be well secured in ...

...chief of the volunteer fire brigade, or ...acting as such for the time being, is hereby ...pointed fire and chimney inspector, and it ... his duty to enforce the requirements of ...eceding sections of this by-law, and he is ...invested with power to enter all buildings ...premises within the corporate limits of the ... Sandon, between the hours of sunrise and ..., in order to ascertain if these requirements ...are being observed.

...Any person refusing to admit the fire and ...ety inspector for the purpose of inspecting ...premises, or refusing to comply with the re... quests of the foregoing sections upon notice ...the subject by the provisions of this by-law.

...Any person or persons guilty of an infrac... of any of the foregoing provisions of this ...w shall, upon conviction before the police ...strate, or any two justices of the peace having ...risdiction over offences against the by-laws ...City of Sandon, be punished by fine of not ...than five dollars and costs, nor more than ...hundred dollars and costs, which fine and costs, or either of them, shall be recoverable on ...ment being given and execution granted by ..., and if sufficient distress, then by imprisonment ...not less than two days nor more than forty days.

VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE.

...There is hereby authorized and recognized ...Sandon Volunteer Fire Brigade, whose chief ...executive officer shall be elected by the members ...from among their own number, but such election ...to be approved by the municipal council of the ...poration of the City of Sandon before such ...officer may act in any official capacity.

...The corporation of the City of Sandon shall ...from time to time provide necessary apparatus ...the suppression of fires, which apparatus shall ...placed at the service of the Sandon Volunteer ...Brigade, and be under the special charge of ...chief of the brigade, who shall be responsible ...the municipal council for its readiness for ...ant use for the extinguishing of fires.

...It shall be the duty of the chief and every ...member of the volunteer fire brigade to respond ...forthwith to every fire alarm, and provided with ...possible haste to the scene thereof. During the ...progress of any fire the brigade shall be under the ...sole direction of the chief, who shall be responsible ...to the municipal council for the maintainance ...proper discipline.

...The volunteer fire brigade may, subject to the ...approval of the municipal council, make by-laws for the governing of the attendance of the ...members at fires, for the maintainance of proper ...discipline while in attendance thereat, for the ...election of such officers as are provided for under ...the by-law and for the election of such other ...officers as the brigade may deem necessary or ...advisable.

...The brigade shall, subject to the approval of the municipal council, elect three ...deputy chiefs from their own number, who, in ...case of the absence or disability of the chief, ...or other senior officer, shall assume the duties ...and responsibilities of chief in order of their ...seniority.

...No apparatus, or parts thereof, provided for the use of the volunteer fire brigade shall be used for private purposes of any kind whatsoever.

...All persons at or near the any fire shall assist the brigade under direction of the chief, but not otherwise, and they shall, when ordered to do so by the chief, assist in keeping ...space clear and preserving order.

...The chief of the volunteer fire brigade, or any other officer in charge of the brigade, at any fire in the corporation of the City of Sandon, with the sanction of the mayor of the said corporation, or in case of his absence, with the sanction of any two members of the municipal council, is hereby empowered to cause to be pulled down, blown up, or otherwise demolished adjacent buildings or other structures when deemed necessary to prevent the spreading of fires, but not otherwise.

...The chief of police, or person acting as such for the time being, and such special constables as may be appointed for the purpose shall preserve order at any fire in the corporation of the City of Sandon, and shall promptly carry out all directions of the chief of the volunteer fire brigade, or other person in charge of the brigade, intended to facilitate the work of extinguishing the fire. They shall also have power to prevent all interference with the work of the brigade, and to arrest and detain any person or persons so interfering or preventing it from properly discharging the work of extinguishing the fire.

...It shall be the duty of the chief of the fire brigade to make out and deliver to the municipal council a list in writing of all the fire apparatus, goods and chattels in use and not in use, by the brigade every three months. He shall also report monthly to the municipal council upon the condition of the fire apparatus under his care, and the need of anything to replace lost, worn out, or defective plant or material.

...It shall be the duty of the chief of the fire brigade to make out and present to the municipal council a report of each fire and alarm of fire which may occur, and also the value of the buildings and contents which may be destroyed or injured, amount of insurance, estimated loss, and the efficiency of the brigade in handling the fire.

...Any person or persons obstructing the fire brigade in the performance of its duty, or acting contrary to the orders of the chief or other person in charge of the brigade, or illegally using any of the apparatus provided for the use of the brigade, shall be liable upon conviction before the police magistrate or any two justices of the peace having jurisdiction over offences against the by-laws of the corporation of the City of Sandon, be punishable by a fine of not less than five dollars and costs, nor more than one hundred dollars and costs, which fine and costs, or either of them, shall be recoverable on judgment being given, and execution granted by distress, and if no sufficient distress be found, then by imprisonment at hard labor for not less than two days nor more than forty days.

...This by-law may be cited for all purposes as the "Fire By-law, No. 4, 1898."

Read first time February 7th, 1898.

Read second and third time February 10th, 1898.

Reconsidered and finally adopted, February 14th, 1898.

[SEAL.]

EDWIN E. ATHERTON, Mayor.

FRANK C. SEWELL, City Clerk.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Sandon on the fourteenth day of February, A. D. 1898, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law or any part thereof quashed must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

Dated:

FRANK C. SEWELL,
City Clerk.

LODGE NOTICES.

SANDON LODGE No. 23, K. of P. Meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in Crawford's hall. Visiting knights cordially invited to attend.

W. W. FALLOWS, C.C.
W. I. WILLIAMS, K. R. S.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT.

PURSUANT TO THE "CREDITORS' TRUSTS DEEDS ACT, 1893" AND AMENDING ACTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that Gideon T. Johnstone and Peter P. Haines, heretofore doing business as Johnstone & Haines, Tinsmiths, of Sandon, B. C., have by deed dated the 13th day of January, 1898, assigned all their personal estate and effects which may be seized and sold under execution, and all their real estate to E. M. Sandilands, of Sandon, B. C., financial agent, in trust for the benefit of their creditors. The said deed was executed by the said Gideon T. Johnstone and Peter P. Haines and the said E. M. Sandilands on the 13th day of January, 1898.

A meeting of the creditors of the said Johnstone & Haines will be held at the office of the said E. M. Sandilands on Saturday the 22nd day of January, 1898, at the hour of four o'clock p. m.; all persons having claims against the said Johnstone & Haines are required to forward particulars of the same, duly verified, to the said E. M. Sandilands, not later than the 12th day of February, 1898, after which date the said E. M. Sandilands will proceed to distribute the said estate having regard to those claims only of which he shall then have notice.

Dated this 13th day of January, 1898.

E. M. SANDILANDS,
Assignee.

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A Matter of Importance.

The following circular, addressed individually to every mining man of this district has been received from the secretary's office of the Federated Canadian Mining Institute, Ottawa;

Sir:—

As you are doubtless aware, a vigorous endeavor is now being made by certain mineral and smelting companies in British Columbia and Ontario to induce the Dominion Government to place an export duty on mineral shipments to the United States.

The question will not unlikely be discussed at the meetings of the Federated Canadian Mining Institute to be held on 2nd, 3rd and 4th of March next and in order that all sides of the question may be fully placed before our members I have taken the liberty of addressing you in the hope of obtaining an expression of the views of your company.

Do you consider that such legislation would contributd to the expansion of the mining and smelting industries of British Columbia?

Trusting to be favored with your views as fully as possible prior to our meetings, believe me,

Yours faithfull,

B. T. A. Bell, Secretary.

Mine owners know what this means. Prompt, vigorous, concerted action is necessary. After the Mann-Mackenzie deal, almost any kind of legislation may be expected from the present government. If the mine owners of Slocan do not move to protect their own interests they may rest assured that the smelter-owning C. P. R. magnates will not.

A Thing of Beauty.

By all odds the finest specimen of the "art preservative" that has ever been gotten up to set forth the resources of the Slocan is the prospectus lately issued by the Reco company. "Silver Mining in the Reco," it is called, and this beautiful little work gives realistic and life-like pictures of actual mining operations, rawhiding and transporting ore, etc., as well as a number of general views of Sandon, New Denver and Kaslo, and a large amount of general information. It should prove as effective as an advertisment for the Slocan generally as for the Reco in particular. John M. Harris cannot be too highly commended on his ability and artistic good taste in compiling the work. The Matthews-Northop Co., of Buffalo were the printers. The order called for 10,000 and the price was in the neighborhood of $2500.

At the Opera House.

On Monday and Tuesday evenings, 21st and 22nd the Somers Family will appear at the Spencer Opera House. The papers at the places where this company has appeared give a good account of the performances, and the members are said to be mirth makers of the best kind. The Lewiston Tribune of a recent date says: "The Somers Family gave one of their first-class entertainments at the Masonic Opera House Monday night to a large and delighted audience. When you see a good thing help it along. It's a good thing—If you dont think so examine it yourself."

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APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENCE.

Notice is hereby given, that, thirty days from date hereof, I will apply to the Board of Licence Commissioners of the Corporation of the City of Sandon for licence to sell liquors by retail in the Thistle Hotel.

RAYMOND KING.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1898.

NOTICE.

Application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company, with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a standard or narrow gauge railway from some point at or near Argenta to some point at or near Dawson, via Duncan, all in the West Kootenay Division, by the most feasible route, with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary bridges and roads, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway branches, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power, and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company, and to acquire lands, courses and privileges, or other aids from any government, municipal corporation or other person or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and all freight passing over any of such roads or railways built by the company, and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies, for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers, privileges in that behalf.

Dated at Victoria this 7th day of January, A. D. 1898.

CHARLES HIBBERT TUPPER,
FREDERICK PETERS,
GUYLER A. HOLLAND.

Certificate of Improvements.

SINCHER MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located—In the Best Basin.

Take notice that I, A. S. Farwell, agent for Alfred W. McCune, No. 61,737; Francis J. Finucane, No. 72,963, and Peter Larsen, No. 64,084, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 7th day of January, 1898.

A. S. FARWELL.

Date of first publication, Jan. 15, 1898.

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DR. A. S. MARSHALL

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