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HAPPENINGS IN BRIEF.

Mr. C. M. Wilson returned from Spokane on Sunday last.

F. C. Sewell went to the Coast yesterday for a short visit.

Mrs. A. C. McArthur and family are visiting in Vancouver.

John Hirsch of Nelson is surveying the St. Charles claim for a Crown grant.

Dr. Hendryx and wife will spend the summer in Sandon, arriving on July 1st.

The Methodist church is receiving a coat of paint. Tommy Milne is the artist.

John Hope, jr., of Edinburgh is visiting his brother, Dave Hope of the Ruth mine.

W. J. Tretheway, manager of the the Dardanelles, left here yesterday morning for the coast.

Byron White arrived from Spokane on Wednesday and is spending a few days at the mine.

A. W. Wright went to Rossland on Thursday to meet his family, who will spend the summer in Sandon.

Work will be commenced on the Payne bank house to-morrow or next day, when the lumber arrives

Chester F. Lee, a well-known Spokane mining expert, is in the city. He has been examining properties around Slocan lake.

There was a rumor afloat on Thursday that a miner had been killed by a blast at the Noble Five. The story was unfounded.

There were four ore buyers in town at one time this week: E. J. Mathews, O. M. Rosendale, D. C. Johnston and David W. King.

New Denver Sunday School Teacher—Willie, where do the bad boys go who play foot ball on Sunday?"
Willie—To Silverton and Slocan City.

Three Forks has a foot ball club, the "Side Hill Ghosts," and they want a game with Sandon for the championship of Carpenter creek gulch.

Clarence J. McCuaig has been looking over properties in the Coeur d' Alenes. The big Montreal syndicate may extend its operations to that district.

Folliott and McMillan are shipping down the lumber from the Cavanaugh and White yard at Cody. The material will be used to build their new factory.

George Petty, one of the owners of the Monitor, returned yesterday from the Boundary country where he has been doing work on some of his property.

General Road Master Murray of the C P R arrived by last night's express. Accompanied by H L Johnston, roadmaster of the N & S, he left a few minutes later on his gasoline speeder to inspect the road between here and Nakusp.

A deputation of seven members from Alta Lodge, A. F. & A. M. visited Kaslo on Wednesday to attend the regular meeting of the Masonic lodge there. The visiting brothers were A. E. Cameron, E. A. Wood, Thos Brown, John T. Moore, Archie Docksteader, W. Lilly and C. M. Wilson.

E. R. Atherton's family and Jas. Williamson's family have taken up their residence in New Denver for the summer months. Mr. Atherton has for a summer home one of the most handsome and comfortable houses in that town.

The C. P. R. time table all over Kootenay will change on the 18th to conform with the new "Imperial Limited" time card on the main line. The N & S. train will arrive in Sandon about 13 o'clock, and leave 30 minutes later for Nakusp.

Contracts were let in Kaslo on Thursday for the construction of the Kaslo & Lardo-Duncan Railway to Gus A. Carlson. About 200 men are already working on the right-of-way and this force will be increased to 500 as soon as the men can be employed.

Supt. H. E. Beasley and Roadmaster H. L. Johnston of the C. P. R. were in the city Thursday evening. Mr. Beasley stated when here that his company had scored on the K. & S. in the matter of the Duncan Pass, and that both roads would build through the pass, there being plenty of room.

William Brown died at the Miners' Union hospital on Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock. Deceased who was a miner, was working at the Payne when he was taken down with pneumonia. His illness was brief, lasting only a week. His home was in Durward, I. T., and he lived some time in Denver, Colo., before coming to this country. He had no relatives in B. C.

A rate of 60 cents for the round trip to New Denver and return will be given on the C. P. R. to-morrow. The Sandon band will probably go down and astonish the natives of New Denver with good music. To-morrow will be the last time the people of Sandon will have an opportunity to bask in the sunshine of the lake country and return the same day. The new service is no doubt satisfactory to the Canadian Pacific but it is hardly as handy for Sandon. Van should look into the matter.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

There are now six patients in the Miner's hospital. Frank Ryan from the Payne and Tom Montgomery are rapidly recovering from pneumonia. Charley Richardson with tonsolitis and Paddy Barrett with dropsy will be out in a few days. Robert Pickard, typhoid patient is making a good recovery. Doc Gleason is still very weak and is not making much progress.

J. Fred Ritchie of Rossland is in Kaslo making arrangements to work the Hillside, in Jackson basin.

THE BIG FIGHT.

THE PASTOR'S BOY WINS AT CONEY ISLAND.

Lankey Bob Passed Up in the 11th Round to the Boilermaker.

The big Californian is Heavyweight Champion of the World. Thousands of Spectators see the Scrap.

Three thousand people witnessed the big fight at Coney Island last night. Tickets which were sold for $5 at 6 o'clock were auctioned at $10 before the doors opened. Betting was 6 to 4 on Fitz. It is estimated that a million and a half changed hands on the result. Kid McKoy placed $1000 as a forfeit, matching to fight the winner. The ring was 20 feet square. Fitz fought at 154 and Jeffries at 206 pounds.

The fight by rounds was as follows:

Round 1.

They advanced and Fitz sprinted, trying to draw a lead; they sparred all over the ring; Fitz led left but Jim ducked, Jim led left but too short; they were both cautious; Jeffries touched Fitz chin, Fitz swings twice without effect, Jeff led left to forehead. Gong ends first round.

2. Jeffries led left and at this Fitz began forcing matters; they clinched. Jim jabbed left on face and put one more to Fitz's body. Jeff landed three left hooks in quick succession; Fitz tried left swing but it was blocked; Jeffries' left swing was short; Jeff sent Fitz to the floor with a rush. Gong.

3. They clinched; Jeff drew blood from Fitz nose with left. Fitz led to face lightly, Jeffries put left to head and right to stomach; Fitz put a left hook squarely to the jaw; the fight was fast, Jeffries landing left on breast and then they mixed things; both ducked cleverly; Fitz put left in Jim's neck. Gong

4. Jeffries got the right to Fitz breast strongly then planted left on jaw and breast; Fitz tried left swing without harm. They clinch; Fitz got the left in on jaw—and did it again. The round was Fitz's

5. Fitz put left in Jim's eye bringing blood, then tried left and right for head without harm—jabbed jaw and heart rushing Jim to ropes; Bob smashed sore eye twice and took a left in the mouth placidly; Fitz rushed and went to his knees; Jim put right in body.

6. They came up with house about as ever; Bob landed with right lightly; Fitz forced the fighting but took left to head; Fitz was studying his man carefully; Fitz landed left and right in fast fashion; Jim touched jaw, Bob crossed with right and left; Fitz showed his science be welting Jim with a neat hook on the jaw.

7. Jeffries sprinted, they exchanged lefts and clinched; Jeffries put his weight on Fitz; they exchanged a bunch of swings without damage; Fitz jabbed Jeff in the face and gave him the right in the slats.

8. Jeffries swings left into neck; Fitz rushed Jeff, took left to face and led for stomach without avail; Bob ducked a savage left swing; Jeff led left and forced Fitz to ropes; Bob swung with left and landed fair.

9. They clinched repeatedly; Jeffries set Bob's nose bleeding again with left and landed with right and left; Bob ducked left to face which was whipped back for further damage to Bob's nose.

10. Jeffries hooked left to jaw; Fitz got inside of the Californian's left; Jeff ducked Bob's left; Bob put left to nose and rushed his antagonist to the ropes; Jeff landed left to jaw and Fitz went down on the back of his head. He was dazed but came back only to go down again; Bob clinched; Jeff had it all his own way when the gong was sounded.

11. Bob came back strong; he rushed and landed right to body; Jeff ducked a left hook: Jim put two lefts solid to mouth and stomach; the boiler maker put left to Bob's face with pleasure and hooked to the neck with left and it was a right swing to the jaw that did the business. Jeffries wins: Time 1.35 2/5.

To Develop the Coin.

The Coin Development Co., of which C. M. Wilson and W. W. Warner are heavy stockholders, is preparing to do some work on the Coin fraction. The claim is located about a mile abouve Cody, adjoining the Chambers group. Large quantities of galena float have been found on the surface and last year several shipments were made of ore gathered by ground sluicing. It is the intention of the company to build a flume 1000 feet long to bring water from up Carpenter creek. The contract for this work has been let to Folliott and McMillan and construction will be commenced immediately.

Mr Wilson is of the opinion that the float came from the big ledge which is known to cross the claim and beleives with ground sluicing he can locate the ore in place.

Siddons Body Found.

Last 26th of January Wm. Siddons, an employee of the Ajax, was carried down in a snowslide and killed. A search was made for the body but the slide was too dangerous and the hunt had to be abandoned.

Yesterday David Whiteley, better known as "Red Paddy," while prospecting along the Noble Five slide in the neighborhood of the American Boy, found the body of the victim of last winter's accident buried in the snow on the Chicago ground where the two slides join, a few hundred feet below the Ajax. The authorities have been notified and the body will be brought to town.

The Wakefield Tram.

B. C. Riblets engineers have completed the line for the Wakefield tram. The distance is 6100 feet with a drop of 3000 feet. The tram will be of the Finlayson type identical with that now in use at the Noble Five. Bents will be heavier in vital points on account of the greater fall.

CITY COUNCIL.

At the regular meeting of the city council held on Monday evening the following accounts were ordered paid:

Salaries for the Month of May	$359.00
Paysheet for May	271.59
Sundry supplies for city imp	38.60
H. Byers & Co.	54.75
Scavenging	4.00
PAYSTREAK	8.40
E. R. Atherton Co., Ltd.	13.60
Folliott & McMillan	3.00
Water & Light for May	216.25
Office Rent	30.00
Steam Heat	10.00
Court House Rent	15.00
Miners' Union Hospital	32.65
Drift bolts, etc., for city imp.	19.00
Total	$1,075.84

W. H. Lilly was appointed to act as city treasurer during the absence of W. W. Fallows.

A petition from the residents of South Side asking for improvements in that locality was received and the council decided to take the matter into consideration upon a survey being made and a plan registered of the locality in question.

The tenders from Messrs. Folliott & McMillan and D. J. McLachlan for the construction of sidewalks on Sunnyside and Cody Avenue were opened and read.

On motion the tenders were laid over to give the members of the council an opportunity to examine the ground.

Alderman Atherton was recommended to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council as police and license commissioner, vice Police Magistrate Lilly.

At an adjourned meeting held on Tuesday afternoon there was present the mayor and Aldermen Crawford. Atherton, Buckley and Hunter.

The mayor and finance committee were authorized to negotiate a temporary loan with the Bank of B. C., assigning the Traders' Licenses falling due on July 15th as security.

The contract for building a sidewalk on Cody Avenue was let to D. J. McLachlan. at 15 cents per lineal foot of sidewalk, the work to be according to plans and specifications and under the supervision of the board of public works or anyone the board may see fit to appoint for that purpose.

The contract for a two-foot sidewalk on Sunnyside was let to Folliott & McMillan at $138. Terms regarding specifications, etc., to be the same as in the case Cody Avenue sidewalk.

Foot Ball Club Organized.

Last Saturday evening a meeting was held in the Filbert block for the purpose of organizing an association foot ball club. About 20 admirers and participants in this class of athletics were present. John S. Gusty was elected captain and Wm. Lawson secretary-treasurer. A committee of three, Byron Cliffe, Tomas Lawrence and Andrew Grierson, was elected to assist the captain and secretary in management. Wm. MacAdams and Dr. Milloy, on account of their ignorance of the rudimentary principles of the game, were elected president and vice-president. The initiation fee was placed at $1.00, and the members unanimously decided that the club should be self-sustaining. The practise of passing the hat is a relic of barbarism which the boys do not propose to countenance.

It is the intention to organize a league composed of the clubs of New Denver. Silverton, Slocan City and Sandon. A schedule for the summer months will be made up and regular matches played every Saturday or Sunday. A trophy of some description will be hung up and the keen rivalry between these towns will be sure to make the history of the association an interesting one.. The league will be strictly amateur and marks the advent of an era of amateur athletics which will be welcomed by the people of Slocan.

Sunday's Foot Ball Game.

Last Sunday afternoon the Sandon foot ball team vs. an impromptu team composed of members of the Miners' Union played a game of foot ball in Levi's park, near Cody. The ground is small and far from level, but in this land of angles and perpendicular prairies it is the only area that can be used for a game without danger of kicking the ball off the earth altogether. The weather was bad, a variation of sunshine, snow and showers, but the boys were out for a game and their enthusiasm made up for the inclemency.

In the first half the miners had the down-hill kick and made two goals inside of six minutes. After this it was hard work on both sides until almost time when the Sandon team scored a goal, making it 2 - 1 in favor of the miners.

In the second half the Sandon boys took the down-hill course and had it pretty much their own way, scoring three goals. Notwithstanding the bad condition of the grounds some very clever playing was done. Kelsen and Reegan of the miners' team demonstrated their abilities on many occasions, while Gusty and Wm. Cliffe did their usual good work for the Sandon team. George Simpson made a record kicking goals. Dr. Milloy acted as referee and did not hamper the teams with decisions but kept them playing. The score was 4 - 2 in favor of the Sandon team.

An Enjoyable Evening.

The Brass Band dance on Tuesday evening was a success worthy of the efforts of the members of the band. About 40 couples thoroughly enjoyed themselves in Virginia hall until a reasonably late hour. A very nice lunch was served in the hall.

The band is at last coming in for a share of the popularity it deserves. The members have been most faithful in their efforts to produce good music and it is encouraging to see their work appreciated.

The members feel indebted to the ladies for the assistance tendered in arranging the details of Tuesday evening's affair, and wish especially to thank Mrs. Funk and Mr. Duffy for their assistance with the musical part of the program.

Two years ago Adam Hope & Co., merchants of Hamilton, Ont., being in difficulties, made a settlement with their creditors at 50 cents on the dollar, which was accepted as payment in full. The other day, two yeats later, the creditors were surprised to receive from the firm the other half of the money, together with interest in full for two years. And the firm not only did not make any fuss about the unusual proceeding, but will possibly be annoyed at the publicity given a private matter.

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SLOCAN MINERAL FLOAT.

Work has been resumed on the Marion group.

E. Shannon located a claim just below the Hartney last week.

There is every prospect of a deal being put through on the Neepawa.

G. Currie's pack animals were taken down to Ten Mile a few days ago.

Seven men are at work on the Noonday, taking out ore for another shipment.

The force at the Arlington is being steadily increased. Per shift, $3.50.

Development on the Dalhousie, Ten Mile, is to be commenced in a short time.

The Merrimac, above the California, started up their season's operations this week.

The owners of the Hartney group, on Silver mountain, have declined a lease on the property.

All the mines in Ymir camp but that owned by the Ymir Gold Mines, Ltd, are working at $3.50 a shift.

Eighteen inches of solid ore was tapped in the No. 2 workings of the Bosun the day the men walked out.

As soon as the roads are in shape all the ore sacked at the Queen Bess and Idaho will be brought down and shipped.

Last week's shipments of ore from Rossland aggregated 3918 tons, bringing the total for the year up to 51,677 tons.

Six men were put to work on the Heather Belle group, adjoining the Queen Bess, on Monday, at $3.50 per shift.

The effort is still being made to get a combination deal on for all of the Silver mountain properties in connection with the California.

Mr. Bloom has taken a large quantity of supplies to the Jeannette, on Wilson creek, and will develop the property extensively this summer.

Italians are said to be taking the places of the skilled miners on the properties owned by the Duncan Mines, on Eagle creek, six miles from Nelson.

A 15-foot tunnel has been driven on the Queen Fraction. The ledge is looking encouraging Galena is encountered regularly and it is of much better grade.

Ground sluicing on the Willard claim, Alpha mountain, has exposed a fine body of clean ore, similar in character to that found on the Lone Star.

An expert acting for the Standard Oil Co. recently examined the Galena Farm. He sent in his report, but it is not probable anything will be done until the strike is over.

Contrary to the report sent out from Silverton that the Vancouver mine was to continue paying the old scale of wages, all the miners employed there came down the hill on Sunday.

The shipment of ore from the Capella group, taken out in the course of development work on the Turris claim, was not made last week. It amounts to 90 sacks and was packed to the wharf Monday and Tuesday.

Work on the Neglected has been stopped for a few days. The tunnel is in 80 feet and the showing of clean ore in the face is very satisfactory, running along the hanging wall from one to four inches in thickness. Work will be resumed the latter part of this week.

Fifteen men were taken to Ten Mile on Saturday by W. C. E. Koch to load the Enterprise ore that is in the bunkers at the wharf onto freight cars. That at the mine will also be shipped. By Monday night 14 cars had been sent to Nelson, aggregating 280 tons It is Mr. Koch's instructions from the Enterprise management to clean up and ship all the ore on the dumps, and the property is being put in shape for extensive operations.

Three men have been working during the week on the Black Cloud, Ten Mile. They exposed a strong lead, showing good ore.

Those participating in the license scare last week are petitioning the government for a rebate on the unexpired portion of their old certificate.

It is the same old story. Every letter that has been received from parties who have journeyed to fields away from the Slocan, advise others to stay here. This is the best camp in the province today. It is without frills, but it has the precious stuff, and lots of it.

Great activity is noticeable on all Silver Mountain properties. Small forces are at work or are preparing for work on the Marion, Eclipse, Convention, Hartney, Evening Star, Home Run, Anglo-Saxon, and other later developing properties The force on the Mountain Chief has also been increased to 12 men, and this force is only getting things in shape for the real operations about to begin.

This "labor trouble" is not such an awful thing after all. A rest will not injure the miners and when they resume work the forces will be increased to make good the decreased output resulting from the close down. Most of the miners out of work have gone into the hills for the summer. Others have gone to Colorado, Montana or Idaho where $3.50 is paid for 8-hour shifts. Others have adopted the busines spolicy of renting shacks and are boarding themselves

THE MINERS' VIEW OF IT.

"I have no hesitation in saying the Nelson and Slocan miners' unions will not accept the reduced scale of wages, of $3 for the new eight hour shift, offered by the mine owners."

Thus said James Wilkes, traveling organizer of the Western Federation of Miners for British Columbia and the state of Washington. "And the result will be a lockout or strike, as you have a mind to call it."

Such was his terse reply to the an inquiry for some definite statement as to what the miners' unions were going to do. It was given just previous to the organizer leaving on the noon train for Whitewater, where he went to form another union. He had good material to work with, as that camp had about 200 miners, who met Mr. Wilkes and discussed the situation, and afterward perfected the organization of a union.

That morning Mr. Wilkes was a very busy personage at the local union club rooms, attending to an accumulation of correspondence and receiving the reports of the local officers. He cordially received the correspondent and talked freely on the subject of the eight-hour law, saying: "I am inclined to think that the public mind is possessed of an exaggerated idea of the seriousness of the present situation. My impression is that there will be no trouble in any part of the province, excepting possibly Nelson and Slocan districts, and in the latter many mines will be shut down for a few weeks, as they usually do at this season of the year, owing to difficulty encountered by reason of surface water flooding the inner workings.

"The proposition of the miners of Nelson and the Slocan to reduce the wages to $3 per day is, in my opinion, a most unreasonable one, for the reason that it is admitted that the men will accomplish more in proportion to the hours worked in an eight-hour day than they will in a ten-hour day. It is also a well-known fact that out of ten hours the men were required to stay in the mines in the past, probably less than nine hours were actually consumed in labor. This applies particularly to Nelson and Slocan, where it is all practically manual labor, very few machines being used.

"Further, the eight hour work day will only reduce the working hours of any mine working two shifts from 19 to 16 hours—because under the ten hour system, night shifts were required to work only nine hours—instead of from 20 to 16 hours, as is most generally supposed.

"Keeping these well known and admitted facts always in mind, is it not fair and reasonable to suppose that equally good results can be obtained under the eight hour system of the future as was ever accomplished in the past by the ten hour system? Why is it that coal miners only work eight hours in the province? Because, as their mangers will tell you, better and more satisfactory results can be secured by the eight hour sytem than by the ten.

"Apart from this, assuming for the purpose of dicussion, the mine owners would suffer a slight loss as a result of the initiation of the reform, I am unwilling to admit that the mines of the district, presumably the richest silver-lead producers of the world, are operated at such a small margin of profit that a very material reduction in wages is necessitated. It is a significant fact that the entire opposition to the eight hour movement comes from the communities that have not given the principle a fair trial, and on the other hand those that instantly complied with the law have not, at least to my knowledge, made any expression of dissatisfaction at the results achieved; and in conjunction with this, the fact that the War Eagle mine at Rossland, one of the largest employers of labor, managed by J. B Hastings, known throughout the west as a prominent and successful mining man, has adopted the eight-hour principle of their own accord, more than twelve months before the law compeled them to do so, is the strongest argument I can submit in support of our contention.

"I also believe that considerable opposition to this reform comes from people who do more mining with the pen than pick and drill, and is in some cases inspired by political bias and prejudice. It is surprising to think so much opposition should be forthcoming to a reform which means so much to the improvement of the laborers of this province without a corresponding loss to their employers.

"In my opinion $3.50 per day is not too much pay for good miners in this country. Neither do I think that good miners will work for less."

Asked if James R. Sovereign, the noted labor leader, would come here to help the local unions, he replied: "I do not think it is likely he will come here in connection with the eight hour law."

The strength of the unions is roughly, as follows: Rossland, 1,000; Ymir, 160; Nelson, 260; Sandon and Silverton combined nearly 500; and the new union at Whitewater about 100.

NOT TO FIGHT THE UNIONS.

That the mine owners of the silver-lead properties of British Columbia are an organization is not generally known, though the miners' unions are of the opinion that the organization known as the Silver-Lead Mine Owners of British Columbia, that was perfected May 8, was formed to antagonize their unions in the matter of reduced wages and to fight them on general principles. This opinion is wrong in every sense of the word, as a careful reading of the articles of association and bylaws that have been issued will show.

The Silver-Lead Mines Association of British Columbia was formed mainly "to foster the interests of the mining industry of British Columbia, and more especially to advance and protect the interests of the silver-lead producing mines." Not one word is said in opposition to the miners' union, either directly or indirectly, or with regard to any scale of wages to be paid to the employees of the mine owners represented in the association. Sandon is named as the head office; only the mine owners or the active managers will be eligible to membership. The membership fee is $25. The raising of additional funds that may be needed for carrying on the affairs is provided for in a bylaw which allows a monthly assessment of from one-quarter to one-half of one per cent of the monthly pay roll, and from one-tenth to one-fifth of one per cent of the monthly smelter returns.

H. B. Alexander, of Sandon, has been elected president, and F. A. Wood the treasurer. A vice president each was elected from Nelson, Kaslo, Slocan lake, East Kootenay, Lardo, Ainsworth and two from the Slocan district. The executive committee is composed of J. M. Harris, A W. Wright, G. Noel Brown, George Hughes, B. C. Riblet, B.J. Perry, and P. J. Hickey. There are 27 mining companies represented in this new association.

HIS NEW BROTHER.

Yes, I've got a little brother,
Never asked for him from mother,
But he's here;
But I s'pose they went and bought him,
For last week the doctor brought him;
Ain't it queer?

When I heard the news from Molly,
Why, I thought at first 'twas jolly;
'Cause you see
I just imagined I could get him,
And our dear mamma would let him
Play with me.

But when once I had looked at him
I cried out, "Oh, dear! Is that him?
Just that mite?
They said, 'Yes, and you may kiss him!'
Well, I'm sure I'd never miss him,
He's such a fright!"

He's so small it's just amazing,
And you'd think he was blazing,
He's so red;
And his nose is like a berry,
And he's bald as Uncle Jerry
On his head.

He's no kind of good whatever,
And he cries as if he'd never,
Never stop;
Won't sit up—you can't arrange him,
Oh, why don't father change him
At the shop?

Now we've got to dress and feed him,
And we really didn't need him,
Little frog!
And I cannot think why father
Should have bought him when I'd rather
Have a dog!

—London Mail.

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WHAT IS THE LAW?

ALL holders of free miner's certificates who took the precaution to get a new license dating from the first day of June, thereby quieted all doubts within themselves and made themselves doubly secure against any possible complications that might arise some day in the distant future through the vaguely worded clause in the new law relating to the subject. There is always the possibility of any law being construed differently from what its framers intended, and anybody is at liberty to accept or not to accept the laws as laid down by the government so long as they pay for that privilege. It is true that all questions in court are decided by the construction that is put upon the law by the judge hearing the case, but in the absence of the supreme court's decision upon the question at issue the order of the Minister of Mines will govern all free miner's certificates issued or to be issued. The following order was issued by the Minister of Mines two months ago:

"Notice is hereby given that an individual free miner's certificate taken out or renewed before the 1st May, 1899, is valid for one or more years from the date of issue. An individual free miner's certificate taken out or renewed after the 1st May, 1899, and before the 31st May, 1899, will be valid only until such 31st May. The fee for such certificate for such fractional part of the year will be, pro rata, proportionate to the fee for the entire year. A further free miner's certificate may be taken out, dating from the 31st May, at midnight, 1899, and valid for one or more years from that date. A table will be distributed showing the proportionate rate to be charged for free miner's certificates which are issued covering only a portion of the year."
—The Ledge.

FINANCES of the Dominion for the eleven months to the end of May show a betterment over the same period of last year of $3,185,000. The total receipts were $41,206,000 as against $36,503,000, leaving a surplus of $5,533,000, but there was an increase in expenditure of $2,347,000, which leaves a net surplus of three and a quarter millions.

CANADA'S ADVANCE.

Indicated by Increased Railway Facilities—100 Hour Service.

Sunday, June 18th, 1899, should become a memorable day in Vancouver. At 1:15 on that day the first regular train, that will bring the British Columbian Terminal City and London, England, within ten days' reach of each other, will steam out, eastbound, from beneath the handsome pile that is now being erected as the new C.P.R. terminal buildings.

The new trains will be designated as "The Imperial Limited," in addition to the official numbers 1 and 2. Going east the first Imperial Limited will leave Vancouver at 1:15 in the afternoon, arriving at Toronto at 2:30 p.m on the fourth day, and Montreal at 6:30 p.m. Westbound the first of these trains leaves Toronto at 1:20 p.m. and arrives at Vancouver at 1:15 on the fourth day out.

C.P.R. Puget Sound passengers will also enjoy the fast service, the eastbound leaving Seattle at 8:45 a.m., and reaching Montreal the fourth day; and leaving Montreal 9:35 a.m., arriving at Seattle 4:20 p.m. the fourth day.

The connection between Vancouver and Victoria will also be improved and the 6-day per week service will be substituted by a 7-day per week steamer connection and thus avoid the trouble of making connection on Monday via the Royal City.

It is also understood that the through passengers will have the option of going via the Crow's Nest branch or the main line.

Fast trains will be operated on the Crow's Nest between the Kootenay district and the main line, having sleeping cars attached both ways.

This improved service calls to memory the record run established over the C.P.R. between Vancouver and New York five years ago, when a special conveyed mails between these two points, over 3,000 miles apart, in 86 and a fraction hours.

Wanted to Get the News.

A young man with a monster bouquet of violets in the lapel of his light overcoat rushed up to the hotel newstand and exclaimed:

"Give me copies of all the morning papers. I want to read about it."

"Yes, sir. All of them has full accounts of the election.'

"I don't care about the election. I want to read about the wedding."

"Was there a wedding yesterday?" asked the boy in charge, who has freckles and a turned up nose, and didn't appear to care whether he lost his place or not.

"Of course there was."

"Sure?"

"Certainly; I was there."

"Was it a nice wedding?" asked the boy, who had freckles and a turned up nose and didn't appear to care whether he lost his situation or not.

"How do I know? That's what I want to read about"

"But you were there."

"Yes, but I do not know who else was there beyond one or two instances."

"Couldn't you ask questions?"

"No. Everybody was too busy to pay any attention to me. I tried to elbow my way into the occasion once or twice, but it wasn't no use. All that was expected of me was to stand around and do what I was told, and not to speak till I was spoken to. I wasn't anybody of any importance at all. I was merely the bridegroom."—Washington Star.

Scotch from Tipperary.

The local or national titles attributed to British regiments are not much guide to their actual composition. This was illustrated the other day by a speaker in the house of commons in the following anecdote:—

When Lord Spencer was lord lieutenant of Ireland he inspected the Scots Greys in Phoenix Park. He stopped before the tallest man in the regiment and said:

"My good man, what nationality do you belong to?"

"Scotch, your hanner," was the reply given.

Lord Spencer further asked. "What part of Scotland do you come from?"

"Tipperary," was the answer.

MORE ENERGETIC WAYS.

The Province Must Present its Resources to England Better.

Major Bennett has lately returned to Vancouver from England, after an absence of about three months. Most of the time was spent in London, and naturally he met many mining and financial people.

"I found," he said to the News-Advertiser, "that there was a great deal of interest taken in British Columbia mines in financial circles This is naturally due, to a great extent, to the present satisfactory position of the Le Roi, and other mines such as the Queen Bess, Athabasca, Whitewater, Ymir, and others. The two latter are, as you know, subsidiary companies of the L. & B. C. Goldfields.

"There are a great many companies and syndicates in London that have made money out of South Africa and Australia, and which are now looking for new fields Their attention is being directed more than ever to British Columbia as a mining country. There is unlimited capital for investment in mines, but it has been very forcibly impressed upon me that it is mines that are wanted, not wildcat prospects The mere fact of having a lot of well-known names on the board of directors will not now suffice to induce the British public to invest.

"I was struck with the lack of information about British Columbia, even among financial and business men. I was met with the question on every side, why did not the province have an office where up to date information could be obtained? They found that it was impossible to get any official information less than a year old about the different districts of the province and the mines. The government might well follow the example of some of the Australian and South African governments, and send monthly reports of the various mines to the agent-general. These reports, of course, are thoroughly reliable and tend to give greater confidence in the country.

"I think it would mean hundreds of thousands of dollars annually to this province if its resources were placed before the London people in a more progressive way than it is done at present. What is wanted is a good live man, well in touch not only with the financial people, but able to bring the province prominently before the public generally. The government could not spend money in a better way than to obtain such a man to look solely after the interests of this province, and to make it known to the people of the Old Country.

"This is all the more requisite because it seems to be the opinion that the time has arrived when the British Columbia mines will be taken hold of by the British public It is, moreover, very important, this being the case, that the first few ventures placed upon the market should be good ones If they are, then British Columbia will get all the money that is needful to develop her unlimited resources; but if any more wildcats are taken there, then goodbye to the hope of getting British capital interested."

QUEEN'S CELEBRATION AT TAMPA.

A despatch from Tampa, Florida, gives the following interesting account of a celebration held away down south in honor of our beloved Queen:

The celebration of the anniversary of Queen Victoria's birthday at Tampa, was the most elaborate affair ever held in that section. Excursion trains were run from all over the state and the three neighboring states, bringing immense crowds of people The town was profusely decorated, British and American flags flying side by side from every point of vantage. At 9 o'clock the British warships Pearl and Intrepid fired a salute, which was answered by the American naval reserves with a howitzer.

The programme included all kinds of athletic sports, rowing and yacht races between British and American sailors, cricket match, horse races, etc

A grand banquet was given on the palatial steamer Margaret, at anchor near the British ships.

Distinguished men from all parts of the country responded to the toasts. Captain Burr, of H. M S Intrepid, responded to the toast of "Her Majesty," and Hon. M. B. Macfarland, collector of the port of Tampa, to that of "The President."

Hon S. S. McLendon, of Georgia, the toastmaster, in his opening address, said in part: "England and America, mother and child, once estranged but always of one blood, now happily closer together than for a century, are jointly responsible to God and humanity for what shall be written in English. Paul may plant and Apollo may water, but God giveth the increase In calling, no doubt under divine inspiration, that great peace congress now in session, the czar of all the Russias is plucking the fruit from the tree planted by England and America To establish a brotherhood of sovereign states, based on law and consecrated to peace, is to bring human affairs into line with direct will. The world is not yet ready for this thought, but England and America are The sweet blessings of liberty have been our portion The English-speaking people will give to future ages the world's highest, best and most enduring civilization.

"Such celebrations as this are more significant than we know. Every society, every citizen, who contributes to the spreading of the holy spirit of the brotherhood of man is doing God's service. Two years ago Her Gracious Majesty's birthday was celebrated here at Port Tampa What history has been written since that celebration one year ago, when Her Majesty's government whispered to the world that blood is thicker than water! What a thrill of joy swept over the American continent! With increased pride in our kinship, with deepest gratitude for brotherly and invaluable sympathy, we come again to celebrate the birthday of her who is the world's greatest woman and the world's greatest ruler To the English prayer, 'God Save the Queen,' America adds, 'God Bless the Queen.'"

Inquiring boy (to his mother)—"Ma what did the moths eat before Adam and Eve wore clothes?"

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MONTANA'S COPPER KINGS.

What the Formation of the Copper Trust Means to the World.

There is a strong feeling of uneasiness in the minds of many of the people of Butte in regard to the big copper trust which was recently formed under the laws of the state of New Jersey with a capital of $75,000,000. The storm centre of the trust is in Butte. Several of the biggest properties have been gobbled up, and plans are being formulated for the acquiring of other large interests—plans which will undoubtedly be consummated. Hence the strong feeling of uneasiness, as it is feared that in a few weeks Butte will be at the mercy of the largest and most grasping corporations in America—the Standard Oil Company, and its numerous allied interests.

That is why the people of Butte are wondering "where they are at" Mammoth interests, herebefore held by small companies or private individuals are now in the control of one man, and that man is Marcus Daly, the avowed enemy of W. A Clark, who has been elected president of the Amalgamated Copper Co. He is not the despot and tyrant his enemies have persistently pictured him, but he possesses such extraordinary power under the new arrangement that even his friends fear him.

And while the feeling of uncertainty continues, Butte people, and especially those who fought Daly politically, have good cause to be apprehensive as to the future, which, under the combine, was so bright. Butte has been remarkably free from labor troubles of any kind, and labor there is well paid and well organized. But there is a predominatting feeling these days that some time in the future the pleasant feelings between labor and capital will be rudely disturbed and then the trouble will begin—trouble that will end in untold misery, and perhaps in bloodshed For the labor unions of Butte will fight to the last ditch, with perhaps the same determination and resolve as the union miners in the Cœur d'Alenes.

Miners now receive $3 50 per day for shift of eight hours, and richly do they earn it. At the present time, with copper nearing the 20-cent line, the companies can make very large profits and pay good wages, but when copper drops other things must drop to—that is, it is not considered likely by some that the trust will continue to pay $3.50 per day when they can import men who will be glad to work for less. Then will come the struggle between labor and capital.

But on the other hand, Marcus Daly was interviewed the other day by his own paper, the Anaconda Standard, and here is his vigorous statement:

"I know pretty well that there are thousands of miners working in Butte who will naturally wonder where they come in under these changes. I am willing to be interviewed accurately on that score—I can speak without reserve so far as I am concerned, and I assume to speak for this new company I was brought into the organization after many serious consultations with men who, I am frank to say, placed more confidence in my ability to manage the properties than is justified Be that as it may, they all know one thing—while I live and manage the properties there will be no agitation over miners' wages at my end of the line. Wages will not be lower than they are today. If there is any anxiety or concern in Butte on the score of miners' wages, it will come from those who keep Butte in a stew; it will not be the result of anything I say or do.

"I have about concluded that I might as well face the fact that my life work will continue and end, I suppose, in active connection with those mining interests. I do not mean by what I now say to refer to the future in a careless or irreverent way, but probably I will be in this work as long as most of the men will who are Butte miners today, and if the rule about wages which I have just laid down as my guide doesn't sound quite as wise or as learned as what the newspapers have been saying about political economy and production and the like, I feel, just the same, that it is a pretty good rule. If these Butte properties cannot afford the present wage scale, then the whole business is a hopeless mistake—and I really don't think it is."

The properties included in the great trust at present are the Anaconda, Washoe, Parrot and Colorado. The Boston & Montana and the Butte & Boston will go into the second section of the trust, but United States Senator W. A. Clark and F. Aug. Heinze cannot be induced by any consideration to enter the copper combine. Clark's holdings in copper properties in Butte are not so very extensive, but with his immense Arizona properties which give him a fabulous income, he could and undoubtedly will block the plans of any trust whenever he feels so disposed. Clark is a man who succeeds in whatever he attempts, sooner or later. He sometimes has to play a waiting game, but he always gets there.

But to return to the copper trust, which is the all absorbing topic of conversation, not only in Butte but throughout the world. In one way it will benefit Butte beyond the question of a doubt. Development work on its copper mines will be carried on on an immense magnitude. Shafts will be sunk to a depth of 4,000 feet, diamond drills will pierce every foot of ground in the district in search of new ore bodies. This will make Butte, for a time at least about the liveliest city in the country. She has always been known as "the greatest mining camp in the world." Now she will doubly discount her former standing. Already this tide of travel is setting in, and men are coming in from all parts of the United States Inquiries are being received from all parts of the globe, especially from the Old Country. It is better to make haste slowly, for nothing is assured as yet It is supposition for the most part. When there is a demand for men the outside world will soon know it. Now there is a man for every job.

There is believed to be sufficient ore in the mines of Butte to ensure a continuous output for 50 years at least. But each year it is becoming lower in grade. Butte is essentially a copper camp now. Its greatest silver mines are practically unworked. If ever silver should rise to par again, the average imagination cannot picture what Butte will be. On silver alone she made her reputation as the wealthiest camp on record, and with copper interests added there is no telling where she would stop. In 20 years of life as a copper camp, Butte has produced $300,000,000 worth of copper alone, and her copper properties at the present stock quotations represent an aggregate capital of $217,000,000. And it nearly all came out of a very small belt, not more than a mile long and a few hundred feet wide.

Just now real estate values are uncertain, there being no movement whatever. Many are so uncertain as to the future of Butte that they are trying to sell but are unable to do so. Building operations are at a dead standstill. In many places where contracts have been let, and in some cases building commenced, orders have been countermanded for the present.

The department store is one phase of the trust question (it being the orders of the employees to buy all their supplies there, compulsory, and strictly obeyed, or instant dismissal follows.) Men or their wives, who are known to purchase even ten cents' worth of supplies from any other store, are discharged at once. And spies, it is claimed, are always on the lookout for delinquents. Everything, from silks to groceries and meats, is carried, so there is no excuse to go elsewhere. Another evil effect is that all the small dealers are being gradually frozen out. Many a man owes his complete ruin to the department store. On what their employees alone are forced to buy there, the big stores easily make an immense profit annually.

Another result of the trust, of the big concentration of power, is its possibilities in a political way. A man who desires any office, if backed by the trust, would have a walk-over. Even now the politicians are making their plans along that line. And impossible as some of them may appear to an outsider, that they will materialize later on is certain. Hence there is a great uneasiness among the politicians who for once do not know "where they are at." They will soon find out that they are at Marcus Daly's feet.

And perhaps old scores will not be paid and old grudges gratified? Any one who knows Daly knows that he is a good hater. and possesses a remarkable memory No Tammany boss ever wielded the influence that Daly possesses now. He has 5,000 men employed in his mines and smelter, and many thousands throughout the state, not only working on his mining interests, but in his hundreds of other projects. And now as president of the big copper trust, his sway will be absolute. The czar of all the Russias cannot be more absolute.

Nelson Custom Returns.

Collector Johnstone of the port of Nelson gives out the following figures of the business transacted through the office for the month terminating on May 31st:—

Imports—	**Value**
Dutiable goods	$ 44,517 00
Free goods	7,624 00
Total	$ 52,141 00
Duty collected	$ 14,164 08
Exports—	**Value**
Coke (270 tons)	$ 1,314 00
Lead bullion	87,669 00
Copper bullion	33,782 00
Gold bullion	20,860 00
Total for the mines	$143,625 00
The forest	400 00
Animals and their produce	25 00
Manufactures	653 00
Total	$144,703 00

Ten Mile Looking Up.

The outlook on Ten Mile has materially improved of late, and were the labor question settled, genuine prosperity would ensue. Assessment work is being done on a number of claims, while improved showings are reported on the Mabou, Ohio and Westmount. On Saturday the creek was invaded by a big outfit of men, sent down from New Denver by W. Koch. They are shipping the 900 tons of Enterprise ore lying in the bunkers at the wharf. Besides that, what ore is lying in the bins at the mine is to be hauled down and shipped. The company will net over $50,000 from this ore. Everthing is to be put in shape at the Enterprise so that a large force of men may be put to work when the word is given.

Ferguson-Gillis.

The marriage of Miss Blanche Gillis to Alex. Ferguson was happily solemnized at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. Cleland officiating. A large number of the friends of the happy couple gathered to witness the ceremoney, after which a sumptuous breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson have a host of friends in this section where both are widely known, and they were the recipients of many handsome and useful presents. They left by the morning boat upon a short trip to Spokane and Kootenay points. They will return to New Denver and will make this their home.—The Ledge

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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.

MAY 23—Keystone, Galena Farm, Geo. M Davis. Amazon, Howson Creek, Karl Eckert. Baldwin same, P D Ahur

MAY 25—Great Eagle No. 2, Carpenter ck, T Lanergan.

MAY 26—Diana, nr Alamo, Richard Peake.

MAY 27—Madison Entension, E L Warner.

MAY 29—New Market, north of Rosebery, Dan McLeod. Willie, same, John H Wersly.

MAY 30—Raine, Goat Mountain, T A Austin. Eight Hour, same, T H Hoben.

MAY 31—Virgin, Alpha Mountain, A S Read.

JUNE 1—Mahoning, nr Alamo, John Brinen. Carbonate, same, Sam Norris. Coming Event Fraction, Galena Farm, J S Reed. Amazon, Goat Mountain, T H Hoben.

2—Dr D, Carpenter ck, D McLachlan. White Cloud and All Right, Wilson ck, J H McAuly. Arizona, Howson ck, J S Reed and Joseph Fortin. Good Hope, same, H E Rogers and Wm Donahue.

5—Fred L, Vancouver Mountain, Fred F Libeher. Westmannia, nr Alamo, Chas Kumbun. Frank W C Carpenter ck, J D Bryan. Hard Shu, Carriboo ck, L M Knowles. Dutchie, same, T W Kiel. Old Newrey, Goat Mountain, J M Lind. John L, nr New Denver, D S McIntyre. New Castle, re-location of Hustler, nr New Denver, D McLeod.

6—Climax, north Slocan Lake, R Fawcett.

ASSESSMENTS.

MAY 23—Dandy Fraction. 25—Soho, Capella. 26—Havana, Dewey, Medford, Drumlummond. 27—Foothill, Lake View No. 2, Tip Top, Admiral Dewey. 29—Queen Fraction, Much-a-do, Perth, Liberty No. 3, Flessie Fraction, Maybell Fraction, Carleton, Clarence. 30—Boss, Emma, Haney Moon, Corneracker, Fairhaven, Elizhar. 31—Red Cross. June 1—Hemlock, North Star No. 6, Atlanta, Electric. 2—Manilla, Cuba, Glenckauf, Gladstone. 3—Recon Fraction, Hewitt Fraction, Cliff Extension. 5—Lakeview, Fidelity Fraction, Black Grouse, Furlong Fraction, Evening Star, Jem, Maple, Alberta Fraction, Gainse, Summit.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

JUNE 6—Random Shot.

TRANSFERS.

MAY 15—Wirrton, Chas M Hitch to E Foyle Smith, Apr 28.

16—Evelyn, ⅓—Annie Horton to W J Kyle, March 3.

17—Humphrey, Wm H Adams to Rambler Cariboo Consolidated Gold and Silver Mining Co., Foreign, Apr 29, $2,500.

Day Dawn, Fred Steele to Wm B Steele, May 8, $500.

Adirondack, 1-9, Willie Eccles to Wm Hunter, Mar 18.

25—Fitz, ½, P M Hayes to John Bough, May 26 1898, $750.

26—Home Run, Jas H Moran, C W Greenlee, and A E Fauquier to John A Ginty, May 26, $5.

Rosemarie, J H Moran to John A Ginty, May 26, $5.

Golden Chariot, ½, M E Bragdon to Philip Perkins, Jan 12, $5.

Willard, ½, H T Bragdon to Geo M Willard, Oct 14, '98, $100.

27—Mars Fraction, ½, D S Forbes and C P Seale to J B Cliff, June 27, '98.

Golden Chariot, ½, Phil Perkins to O J Marino, May 26, $50.

Willard, 1-6 each, Phil Perkins and Geo M Willard to O J Marino, May 26, $600.

30—Atlanta and Stillo, all interest, and Carbonate King ½, N C Sheall and Geo W Adrian to Mary L Adrian, Sept 16, $100.

Isis, ½, Daniel Cosgriff to H T Twigg.

Power of Attorney, H D McDonald to J A Austin.

Willie, ½, J H Wereley to M M Malley, May 30

L H, ½, L H Mining Co. to A R Fingland, May 30, $1.

L H, 197-1600, L H Mining Co. to Chas Broad, May 30.

L H, 608-1600, L H Mining Co. to John Tinling, May 30.

31—Oakland, ½, J A Anderson to John Smith, June 20, '98.

Frisco, ½, F L Byron to E F Lloyd, May 31.

JUNE 3—C P R, Estate of A H Stirrett to Catherine Stirrett, Apr 5.

6—Hewett Fraction, 1-10, C F Yates to L M Yates, June 1, $56.60.

Candore, ½, Paul Nikola to Zega Fransis.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

LOCATIONS.

MAY 15—C P, Hamill creek, Mabel Bagley.

MAY 16—Annie May, north of Kaslo, E J Hom-son and P Maloney.

MAY 19—R & K, Argenta, R Desmond.
Reno, Hamill creek, A J McAlear.
Silver King, same, M Bigney.
Molly, same, same, same.
Diamond Jo, Woodbury creek, R T Martin and A Dind.

MAY 20—Alberta, Jackson creek, E Mervan.

MAY 22—Greenwood, Ainsworth, D Grant.

MAY 23—Mohawk, Crawford bay, J R Hardie
Mexico, same, same.
Hudson, same, W B Drummond.
St Paul, Hot Springs, J R Hardie.
Minerva, Kaslo creek, N M Watnee.

MAY 25—Katie B, Ainsworth, D Grant.
Scotland, Crawford bay, A McLeod.
Brooklyn, same, F L Fitch.
Grasshopper, relocation of Hundred, R Burmester.
Fisher—Goat creek, H Lossman.

MAY 26—Billie G, Woodbury creek, D H Nellis
Tillie C, same, J F Westby.
Tillie B Fraction, Crawford bay, J B Townsend.
Drennan, same, G B Drennan.

MAY 28—Three Friends, Bear creek, J G McDonald.

MAY 29—Clinton, Hot Springs, A D Westby.
Dewey, Duncan City, J C Raby.
Paisley, Lardo, B Devlin, A Cummings, Fred Ritchie.

MAY 30—Mount Vernon, Hot Springs, by D F Strobeck.
Barnato, Coffee creek, F A Heap.
Little Girl, same, P Morrison.
Mollie Mabel, south of Kaslo, W J Murphy.

MAY 31—Calumet, Whitewater, R J Midland.

ASSESSMENTS.

MAY 13—C of I No 27, Superior, Granite.

MAY 15—Empress Fraction, Monarch, Whitewater Deep Fraction, Banker Hill.

MAY 16—Eagle Fraction, Rhea, Alberta.

MAY 17—Ireland, Scotland,

MAY 18—Silver Fox, Monarch, Carson, Assurance, Experiment, Ormonde, Umpire, Brownie.

MAY 19—Mayflower No 2, Eagle.

MAY 20—Jewel Fraction, Silver Tip.

MAY 22—Monterey, Lavina, Ruthie Bell, Iron Cap, St Joseph, Silver Star, Iron Hand, Iron Chief, Pardner, Cassadero, Olympia.

MAY 23—Glasgow, Snowbird, Monte Christo, Deer Lodge, Silver Tip.

MAY 25—C O D, Broken Hill, Surprise, Terror, Snowball, Snowflake, Snowbird, Snowshoe, Snowslide, Golden King, Marvat, La Salle, I X L, Chicago, Moses, Cleveland, Bear, Jumbo.

MAY 26—Rosalie, Henrietta, Daisy, Florence.

MAY 29—Pontiac, Tecumseh, Thor.

MAY 30—Red Star, Reindeer, Hattie May, Cliff, Silver Dollar, Black Diamond, Evening Star and Carlotta.

MAY 31—Fidelity, Blue Bird, Jessie, Broncho, Surprise No 2, Elated.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

MAY 31—Egalite, Faustina.

TRANSFERS.

MAY 13—Superior ½, D McDonell to J Grant.

MAY 15—Le Roy ½, J Carton to M A Stephenson; $100.

MAY 16—Great Western, C Aandy to F S Andrews.
Same ½, S A Rosander to same.

MAY 17—Norman, C T Porter, S Glasgow, R Naylor to J Drumheller.

MAY 20—Hobson Fraction ¼, Alice Trenary to C Behrman.

MAY 22—Bear Fraction, Indiana, Maud W and Welaka, W R Winstead to G E Martin.
Side Hill, Welaka, W A Clute to same.

MAY 23—Kanapolis, Tipton, Grant ½, S T Laird to J O Grant; $1,500.
Same 1-6, T H McCoun to same; $500.
Mountain Glory ½, J M Martin to J J Lynch.
Joker and Derby, G W Taylor and A G Lambert to Excelsior Gold Mines.

MAY 25—Golden Rule ½, A Short to H Steffens.
Sunset ½, H Steffens to A Short.
No Six, Snowshoe, I X L, Moses Hope, R E Burmester to H F Burmester.
Snowbird, A Prengel to H F Burmester.
Defender, R Buhrfeind to same.
Snowball, A Short to same.
Terror, A Prengel to same.
Chicago and Snowslide, R Buhrfeind to same.
Surprise, H Lossman to same.
Duplex, Gem, Copper King, Big Four, Mammoth, Silver Tip, Banner, Colby ½, A O Evans to J A Gibson.
Annie G and Tamarac ½, W R Ramsdell to J A Fibson.
Indication, J J B Gosselin, H Roy and J A McDonald to Richelieu Mining Co.

MAY 26—Welaka, C F Caldwell to G E Martin.
Morning Star Fraction, H Hill and J Hill to same.

MAY 29—Grand View, Black Prince No 2, Bullion, Leadville, Kootenay Star, H Zummerlen to Maple Leaf Mining & Development Co.
Black Eagle, Hillside ½; Olds, Lucky Bill, Hill top, Eva Jane 1-4, R Mountain to J A Smith.
Red Rock ½, H McDonald to D McCallum.
Scranton ½, D McGraw and T Doyle to N F McKay.
Same 1-4, A McDonald to same.
Howard ½, W E Hodder to M Stephenson.
Kaslo ½, M Stephenson to same.

MAY 31—Bluebird, Snowbird ½; Piscataqua ½, J F Wilson to Martin & Pollock.
Robin ½, J F Wilson to G E C Martin.

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

MAY 25—Copper King, Mammoth, Big Four, Silver Tip, Banner and Colby, J F Burns to J A Gibson.

A change in the running time of the Slocan lake boats will be inaugurated this month to meet the requirements of travel by the fast imperial service over the C. P. R. from the East. A Sunday boat will be operated.

Don't linger at the bottom of the ladder. Either go up or down.

DYING NATIONS.

How Various Empires are Affected by Climate.

A nation only lives a few thousand years. Look at the great nations of 4,000 years ago. Egypt, Yucatan, Peru, Mexico, Assyria are all dead and buried. China is only staying alive to save funeral expenses.

The next generation of nations included Rome and Greece, and these are like galvanized ghosts. The third generation, the Turks, Spaniards, Moors, Moguls, Dutch, and Scandinavians, are alive, but have lost their once great power

From this you will see that the nations in the hot countries die, and stay dead. The nations in the cold countries rise, become great, fall, lose their outlying dominions, yet remain alive. That is because the land does not lapse into jungle like Ceylon and Yucatan, or change into desert like Assyria and Egypt, but remains fertile, providing plenty of food.

Now to apply these facts. Great Britain, the United States, Russia, and Germany are gaining in population, wealth and power; but the British empire is extending more rapidly than any one of them. Compare her with France, for instance A couple of centuries ago, when France owned most of North America, and was founding a vast empire in India, Paris was bigger than London and was the capital of the civilized world. Today Paris has a population of 2,500,000 souls and is the capital of the arts and fashions. But London has 5,000,000 people, and has taken the place of Paris as the metropolis of the world.

The British empire is growing, and will keep on growing, along the lines of least resistance. At the present rate, the whole land surface of the globe will be absorbed by the year 2319 A.D. But as Greater Britain grows, it comes in contact with the boundaries of United States, Russia and Germany. Even if we could, we have no wish to swallow these or any other decently governed countries.

The United States, Russia, Germany and Japan are playing the very same game The British empire is nearly as large as the four combined. As England does not wish to conquer the well governed countries, the area open to annexation may be reduced one half In that case all the world may be decently and properly governed by the year 2012 A.D

So in 113 years from the present time the British empire must stop spreading for the lack of room on the planet. Even then it will grow in wealth and population But meanwhile these little islands are growing very old. Sooner or later we may feel the weakness of age, and be no longer able to fight for our possessions; our colonies may cut adrift from us; the conquered countries like India may revolt If all this should happen, as politicians of a pessimistic temperament are already predicting, it would only be a question of history repeating itself.

How long will that be? Well, Rome rose in 400 years, as we did, and took 1,000 years to decline. Our empire is infinitely greater, stronger, and loyal than the Roman.

Suppose we say 1500 years before the Little England party wins a general election, and Little England is a second class power, as she was in the days of Henery VIII.—London Daily Mail.

Both Winged.

A pavo del monte, a bird of Uruguay not unlike the turkey, had been winged by a hunter. It fell on the ground, but was at once on its feet and ran away. Throwing his gun hastily aside, the hunter started in pursuit, and a game of hide-and-seek ensued. In and out of the brushwood the pavo ran, and the man followed.

In one of its doubling and turnings the bird passed over the gun, which was lying on the ground, and its foot chanced to strike against the trigger of the undischarged barrel, the hammer of which in the hurry of the moment had been left at fullcock.

There was a loud report, followed by an exclamation of pain from the man. The bird escaped, but the luckless hunter had an ugly wound in the fleshy part of his leg to remind him for some weeks after of his adventure.

Proof Positive.

Two men were standing outside a jeweler's window, admiring the gorgeous display of glittering gems that lay before them. Presently one of them pointing to an object in a red plush tray, said:

"Just look at that scarf pin representing a fly. Anybody can tell that's not real."

"Well, I should think so," answered his friend. "Who ever saw a common fly with such a bright appearance? Why, it makes me weary when I think that the jeweler who produced that hoped that some one would purchase it to deceive his friends. If I saw that on a man's scarf I could tell in an instant that it was an enameled imitation."

At that moment the object of their condemnation moved across the tray, flew in the air and vanished. The two men looked at each other, gasped, and moved away without a word.—Pearson's Weekly.

A strong miners' union has been organized at Whitewater

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The Man Who Doesn't Advertise.

Breathes there a man with soul so dead
That to himself he hath not said,
"My trade of late is getting bad,
I'll try another 10 inch ad."
If such there be, go mark him well,
For him na bank account shall swell—
No angel watch the golden stair
To welcome ho[illegible] a millionaire.

To such a man the noisy din
Of traffic may not enter in,
For bargain hunters by the score
Shall pass nor heed his dingy door;
For tho' his sign is on the wall
And on some barn-yard gate a scrawl;
No people who have cash an sense
Go prancing round to read the fence.

The man who never asks for trade
By local line or ad displayed
Cares more for war than wordly gain
And patronage but gives him pain;
Tread lightly, friends, let no rude sound
Disturb his solitude profund.
Here let him live in calm repose
Unsought except by men he owes.

And when he dies, go plant him deep
That naught may break his dreamless sleep.
Where no rude clamor may dispel
The quiet that he loves so well,
And that the world may know its loss
Place on his grave a wreath of moss
And on the stone above, 'Here lies
A chump who wouldn't advertise."

—MORTIMER CRANE BROWN.

Honest Guests.

Those who sit in the halls of legislation at the Dominion's capital were never supposed to be particularly honest but the following from the Vancouver Province is somewhat startling:

"At all the swell functions in Ottawa now it is understood that the following warning is prominently displayed: 'The Hostess will not be Responsible for any Money or Valuables Stolen from the Guests during the Evening.'"

A Nocel Compressor Plant.

(Nelson Miner.)

One of the simplest yet cleverest inventions relating to mining engineering may now be seen at Coffee Creek, near Ainsworth. It is the Taylor air compressor, operated by the Kootenay Air Supply Company.

The plant consists of a shaft 198 feet deep and about five feet square. At the bottom of the shaft is the air chamber, a 20-foot cube. Oh the top of the tower is a tank 20 feet high and eight feet in diameter. A flume some 500 feet long and five feet in width runs from the creek into the tank. A penstock runs from the tank to the bottom of the shaft.

The water rising as it enters the tank, causes a vacuum and the air sucked through over a thonsand tubes mixes with the water and then falls down the shaft breaking over a cone when it reaches the bottom. The water then separates from the air, the latter in a highly compressed form filling the cube-shaped air chamber. A pipe corresponding to a safety valve is let into the air chamber and when the pressure of air exceeds 85 pounds the water is forced from the end of the pipe and the surplus air escapes. The compressed air is conveyed through eight-inch pipes to wherever it is required to be used. The Coffee Creek plant has a capacity equal to 500 horse power, more than sufficient to supply the requirements of the Ainsworth camp.

"Billy, is riding a wheel expensive?"

"No; riding is cheap enough; it is tumbling off that costs."

CHURCH NOTICES.

METHODIST CHURCH:—

Rev. A. M. Sanford, B. A., Pastor. Regular services to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 7:30. p m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:—

Divine service will be held in Virginia Hall at 7:30 p. m. Rev. J. A. Cleland, Minister.

NOTICE.

We the undersigned hereby give notice that we will not be responsible for any debts here after contracted by Joe Robillard in connection with the lease of the Snap Mineral claim.

Jas. Collins, Theo. Baribeau
Donald McDonald.

Sandon, May 20th, 1899.

For Sale.

A six hole range with cooking utensils, in first class condition. A bargain for cash. Apply to the

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Application for Liquor Licence.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the expiration of thirty days from date hereof the under signed will apply to the Licence Commissioners of the City of Sandon for a licence to sell liquor by retailat the Bryan hotel situated on Reco Avenue in the city of Sandon.

JOSEPH GILNAGH.

Sandon, June 10th, 1899.

Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between John T. Moore and R. Orando, in the Ivanhoe hotel is dissolved by mutual consent. All accounts due the old firm will be collected by R. Orando and all bills against the firm will be paid by him.

JOHN T MOORE,
R ORANDO.

Sandon, May 31st, '99.

Certificate of Improvements.

OGEMA MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located:—In the Ruby Silver Basin, joining the Silver Cord on the North East

Take notice that I, W J. Holmes, acting as agent for Wm. J. Tretheway. Free Miner's Certificate No. 97414 and James Nicholson Free Miner's Certificate No. 10[illegible]A, 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

W. J. HOLMES, P. L. S.,
Agent.

Dated this 26th day of May, 1899.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

EARLY BIRD MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the East Fork of Carpenter Creek, adjoining the WONDERFUL Mineral Claim on the north.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Joseph Frederick Ritchie, acting as agent for J. G. C. Fraser, of Rossland, B. C., Free Miner's Certificate No. 78,8[illegible], intend 60 days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvemens for the above claim.

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The Strike.

The strike situation here is today the same as a week ago. None of the mines have made any attempt to resume operations. Only 120 tons of ore were shipped out of Sandon this week, from the Slocan Star. There are now probably not more than 200 miners left in town and business in most lines is practically at a standstill.

Surface water in most of the mines makes it practically impossible to work, but the country is suffering great loss through the cessation of development

The management of the Star, which will have to make the change on Monday, has not yet made any statement of intentions, but it is the general opinion that $3.5C for eight hours will be the new rate. This will be an important factor in determining the controversy in favor of the men.

Should the mine owners remain obdurate and refuse to pay the $3.50 demanded the mines of Slocan will not produce for many months. Miners will not work underground for $3.00 while railroad contractors in the Lardo and other districts are begging for skilled rock men at the same rate. The system of station work which is in vogue on railroad building offers many inducements for rock men who understand the business. Should the strike last many weeks more there will not be enough miners left in the Slocan to make a corporal's guard.

Working Eight-Hour Shift

The Noonday at Silverton has a full force at work on the eight-hour basis at $3.50 per shift.

The Tamarack mine, Ymir, has 14 men at work, at $3.50 for eight-hours.

The Porto Rico at Ymir has started up with a full gang. Eight-hours and $3.50.

The Noble Five has six men working eight-hours for $3.50 a shift.

The Ivanhoe has six men working in the shaft at $3.50 for an eight-hour shift.

TheMadison is working three shifts of eight-hours at $3.50.

The Arlington has three shifts working in their shaft. The same wages as heretofore are paid—$3.50

Phonetic Spelling.

Ther is muvment in Unitd Stats and Kanada to adopt the use of fonetik spelling, or spelling akording to sound. This is a step in the rite direkshun. The English language is altogether to kumbersum and its spelling extrvagant. Altho the chang may be slo at first it is sur to kum. The advantags of fonetik are too grat to be overlokt much longr. Tak for instans Mr. Klif's grat Kootenay edishun (get yur orders in erli; agents wantd) which is to kum out in the neer futur. Whut a kumfort it wud be to the authur of such a wurk to be abel to trow away the dickshunarys that he has been chasing thru for so many wery days, and spel as he likt. Then quarts of the prary chees faktry and the quarts of the mountain myn wud be all the same. Konsentraturs and elevaturs kud be kumpared without danger of eror. The resemblance of tramways to straw kariers kud be esily expland. No teknikal nolege wud be requird and Webstur wud be undr the brig for all tym to kum. Speed the day.

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For the week ending June 9.

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