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HAPPENINGS IN BRIEF.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce White of Nelson are spending a few days in town.

Frank C. Sewell, city clerk, has been gazetted a justice of the peace.

The long tunnel at the Last Chance to tap the Galena vein was started yesterday.

A long tunnel has been started on the Queen Bess. The work will be done by contract.

J. G. Williams, travelling freight and passenger agent of the Great Northern, was in town yesterday.

"Ike" Crawford thinks he is the only pebble on the beach. There is a bouncing baby boy at their house.

Pat Burns' cold storage building is suffering a metamorphose at the hands of Tom Milne and Joe Billadeau, artists.

J. T. Wilkinson, the Province newspaper man, was in town yesterday distributing his beatific smiles on the installment plan.

Mr. and Mrs. Forbes M. Kerby of Vernon passed through Sandon yesterday on their wedding journey. Mr. Kerby is a civil engineer of that place.

James Bryden and son, John Bryden, of Victoria, spent several days in town this week, visiting the Silver Bell & Hustler and other claims in which they are interested.

The new Presbyterian church is receiving its first coat of paint, externally. It is red—possibly as a gentle hint to those who persist in viewing churches from the outside only.

The Idaho shipped 180 tons of ore from Three Forks and the Payne 80 tons from Sandon over the C. P. R. this week. From Whitewater the shipments were, Whitewater 53 and Jackson 33.

Ralph Smith, M. P. P., and James Wilkes, organizer for the Western Federation, visited Sandon on Sunday, previous to leaving for Ottawa to attend the meeting of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

On Thursday Mr. and Mrs. H. Giegerich, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wood and Mr. J. D. Giegerich made an equestrian trip to the Galena claim, at the summit of the Last Chance ridge, and took several Kodak snaps at the midsummer snow.

Chas. St. Barbe, general agent of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., was in Sandon Tuesday making arrangements for the winter's campaign against Jack Frost. H. Byers & Co., the local agents, will handle the black diamonds in large installments when cold weather sets in.

Geo. McDonald of the Noble Five and G. H. Grant and W. L. Sutton of Victoria went up to the head of the south fork of Kaslo yesterday to visit some claims in which George is interested. A good strike has recently been made on the property.

Rev. J. A. Cleland has gone to the Coast and will be away for two weeks. Services will be held as usual tomorrow evening, conducted by T. J Barron. On Sunday next Rev. J. A. Ferguson of Whitewater will conduct services in New Denver and Sandon.

The sale of Frank Locasto's interest in the Slocan Chief No. 10 and the Kootenay Queen Mineral claims, on the south fork of Kaslo creek, will take place in Nelson on Thursday, September 21st. The interests are being sold by the sheriff to satisfy a judgment for $245.86.

About 50 Sandon people went to Nelson to hear Dan Godfrey's band. Dan has the music businss down to a science and his hired men are all mechanics. It is not often that they play in villages like Nelson, as London and Glasgow are about their size, but it is doubtful if they ever had 2000 more appreciative listeners.

Wm. Hunter of Silverton and Miss Wilson of Toronto, who is visiting her brother in Silverton, made a trip to Sandon on Thursday in order that the young lady might admire the beautiful scenery of the Silver City. The train pulled out before they were ready to go, and that's why Mr. Hunter was in town over night. It is not often that "Honest Bill" gets left.

A W Stevenson, R Meredith, Wm Mann, R B Ross, of Montreal; Fedor Boas, St Hyacinthe; I A Blaskie, Quebec; G H Grant, W L Sutton, Victoria; J P Crearer, Ottawa; Leslie Hill, Vancouver; Alex M Hay, Rat Portage, and Arthur Knowles, London, Eng., members of the Canadian Mining Institute, registered at the Reco and spent yesterday in town and visiting mines about the camp.

UNIFORMLY FORTUNATE.

How Slocan Properties are Turning Out this Summer.

Notwithstanding that most of the large properties are dormant and that few prospects have been developing this summer, the camp has a showing for those properties that are working that is, to say the least of it, astonishing.

Three weeks ago on the Rambler-Cariboo the miners struck a big ore body in the lower tunnel which is increasing in value with every foot of work done, while stock has advanced in that time from 33 cents to over 50 cents and has a steady upward tendency consistent with the increasing value of the mine.

On the Silver Bell in McGuigan Basin discoveries have been made recently that place this property high up in the list of developed mines and insure the owners a liberal return for the money invested.

The strike made this week on the Madison proves the value of that property and lifts it from the prospect stage into that of a developed mine.

The summer's work on the Payne has proved beyond contention that the ore chutes of the Slocan go down, and not only that, but that they maintain their extent and value with depth. Just at present it would be hard to give an estimate of the approximate value of the Payne, but there is more ore in sight at this stage than at any previous time in the history of the mine and it is doubtful if any other silver-lead proposition in America has the same values blocked out. Payne stock touched $1.20 bid and $1.26 asked on Toronto last week, a drop of something like 40 cents since the 1st of June. Were the eastern people thoroughly posted on the value of the mine it is safe to say that an advance instead of a decline would have been recorded. When shipping is resumed the Payne will be in a position to maintain an output of 2000 tons a month which, on a basis of $60 net return, means a profit of $120,000 a month. On this account a boom in stock unprecedented in the history of Slocan mining may be looked for whenever operations are resumed.

The Ivanhoe is another property on which the season's development has proven immense values. Several hundred thousand dollars worth of ore have been blocked out in this mine and there is now enough ore on the dump, taken out in development, to pay a respectable dividend. When the projected long tunnel is completed and other proposed improvements made the Ivanhoe will be in a position to mine and handle ore at the minimum cost and the shipments from the property will be a very important feature in the returns for the camp.

Besides these bigger properties there are many prospects working on which the operators have been uniformly fortunate and it may be safely said that notwithstanding the shut down of most of large properties this has been one of the most eventful summers in the history of the Slocan.

The Payne.

On Monday night the contractors in No. 5 tunnel at the Payne encountered a chute of ore that shows four feet of clean galena in the face. While ore has been continuous for several hundred feet in this tunnel, averaging about 18 inches for the whole distance, this is one of the best showings yet found, and affords no solution to the conjectures as to where the Payne ore chute ends.

Four Feet of Ore on the Madison.

One of the most important strikes of the season was made on the Argenta claim of the Madison group on Tuesday night, when the graveyard shift working in No. 5 tunnel encountered the ore chute showing in the upper tunnels. Further work has shown four feet of shipping ore that will average very high, carry ruby and native silver.

The Madison is worked by tunnels run in on the ledge. No. 5, the lowest is now in 300 feet and where the strike was made gives a vertical depth of a little over 200 feet. In the upper tunnel the ore chute shows for 60 feet along the vein but is not as wide as in No. 5. As the ore body was encountered 50 feet earlier than was expected it is believed that the chute is lengthening as well as becoming wider. Fifty feet of tunnel will be driven during the next week to finish W. W. Warner's contract.

This strike proves conclusively the merit of the Madison group, and although the property has been working for less than six months the owners, the Montreal Gold and Silver Mining and Development Co., already have value in sight far in excess of their outlay.

Cotton Will Be in Sandon To-day.

F, C, Cotton, minister of finance, will be in town today to inspect the workings—or rather the shut-downs of the eight-hour law. Mr. Cotton, while in Nelson, was interviewed by several members of the Mine Owners Association and a few courtesies were exchanged anent the workings of the law, Mr. Cotton holding that the mine owners would be in a better position to judge of its effects after they had given it a trial. He will probably be met by members of the Association while in Sandon and a very entertaining little parley should result.

Railway Promotions.

In the order of promotion created by the opening of the Robson-Penticton branch, "Dave" McKay, who was formerly freight conductor on the Columbia & Kootenay, becomes passenger conductor on the Slocan branch in place of conductor Fawcett, who goes on the Robson run. "Joe" Bradshaw succeeds McKay as freight conductor.

"Mac's" Blue Paper.

A. C. McArthur has been in charge of the C. P. R.'s business in Sandon for over three years and has performed his duties in such a manner as to make himself popular with the people with whom he was doing business and the corporation for which the business was done. When he received the appointment of the Rossland agency a number of his friends decided to give him a good send off. Consequently on Monday evening to the number of about 25 they gathered at the Filbert Hotel and invited "Mac" to join them at a smoker, where between songs, stories and Scotches he was regaled with compliments and eulogies such as are seldom lavished on an employee of the great corporation. As a fitting termination of the little "spell" the guest of the evening was presented with a handsome watch chain which he was asked to wear as a memento of his stay in Sandon.

"Mac" leaves for Rossland to-day and should one-half of the success which his friends wish him in his new sphere be realized he will find himself general manager in a short time.

A rumor is in circulation in Kaslo that the old Blue Bell mine at Pilot Bay is to be worked again. The Blue Bell is the oldest mine in B. C. It was worked by Hudsons Bay people 50 years ago.

Mica Coming to the Front.

Among the minor mineral products which have been attracting attention recently, mica seems to hold a prominent place. This is largely due to the increased demand, due to its use as an insulating material for electric work. We are in receipt of inquiries from all parts of the country as to the uses and value of mica; and these show that prospectors are on the lookout for the mineral and have large ideas of its value. There certainly is a demand for mica which is in excess of the home production, as is shown by the considerable quantities imported, and a market could be found for an increased output. It is a mineral which can be found in many places, but unfortunately the deposits of commercial value are very few. The quality regulates the price entirely, and mica which comes up to the requirements of freedom from flaws, evenness of structure, and, above all, size of sheets or block, is comparatrvely rare. Prospectors should bear this in mind and not be carried away by indications, which are apt to be very deceptive. It is also to be remembered that in mica mining there is always a very large proportion of dead work and waste material, so that only high-grade deposits can be made to pay.

Bribing the C. P. R.

[Toronto Telegram]

The enemies of the Crow's Nest Pass deal believe that the policy of going at the C. P. R with a club would have yielded large benefits to the country without ruining the corporation.

They believe that the empire in coal lands, which British Columbia granted as the price of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, should not have been alienated to the benefit of private interests which did nothing to earn this vast wealth.

They believe if the Crow's Nest opportunity had been rightly utilized the C. P. R. could have been put permanently on its good behavior, and could have been made glad to guarantee signal and progressive reductions in freight rates in return for the right to lease a government rail way through the Crow's Nest Pass.

Western Canada is sacrificed by the Liberal tendency to regard the C. P. R. freight rates as finalities which cannot be reduced without an enormous expenditure of money. This pretense that a reduction in freight rates is value for the $3,500,000 which was the means of delivering British Columbia's coal lands to the Crow's Nest Pass outfit is not free from danger to the West. The freight rates are not yet down to bed rock, but if the Dominion Government had to spend $3,500,000 in bribing the C. P. R. to grant an installment of the justice which the West demands, what will be the amount of the bribe necessary to secure a full measure of justice?

A Lesson in Economics.

A meeting of London's producing classes in Hyde Park has exposed the futility of another effort to override the natural law of economics. The authority of the government has been exercised to provide better housing for the poor, and many of the least sanitary and most objectionable buildings have been torn down in compliance with the law. These destroyed tenements have been replaced by good, wholesome and airy buildings, reasonably suited for human habitation, but London's poor have not yet entered them. The result of the change has been to crowd the poor still more closely and under still worse conditions into the worst buildings remaining, while the new structures have been occupied by the more prooperous classes. This complaint was loudly voiced at the Hyde Park meeting by the disappointed sufferers. The blunder lay in mistaking the cause for the effect. There was no scarcity of good houses for London's poor. There was a scarcity of money to pay for them. Providing new houses can afford no relief, unless an officer is detailed to watch each room and each tenant. If the people are allowed to retain a greater proportion of the wealth their labor creates, new and sanitary buildings will spring up and the old tenements will disappear without any legal compulsion.

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(Citizsn and Country.)

The strike of the T. Eaton & Co's employees has placed beyond a doubt the soundness of our long held belief that the Toronto papers are in serf dom and that the Toronto departmental stores are their masters. Here is an important fight between employe and employer; several hundred cloak makers are daily and nightly parading the city streets; they hold public meetings and the best men of the land speak for them; mammoth audiences pass resolutions of sympathy for them. In short, it is the most important item in some respects that has come before the Toronto press in many months, yet we must read the Ottawa and Montreal papers in order to learn the meanest details of the strike. The Toronto press is mum. Not only does it refrain from editorial notice of the strike, but it will not give it a fair report. The octapus has the press by the throat and this accounts for the all-white record of the octapus.

Needed the Court's Mercy.

A youthful graduate of the Harvard law school came west and opened an office in a frontier town, says the San Francisco Wave. His first client was a man accused of stealing a horse. The case came to trial before a jury composed of bewhiskered ranchers, and, though there was no doubt of the guilt of the defend ant, he had a regiment of friends who swore he was 40 miles away when the horse was stolen. This evidence the prosecution was unable to break down, and the young lawyer plumed himself on a certain acquittal. The jury retired and five minutes later was back in court.

"Have you agreed on a verdict?" asked the judge.

"We hev," answered the foreman, as he shifted a gun he carried on his hip. "We find the defendant not guilty; an' recommend the defendant's lawyer, owin' to his youth an' innocence, to the mercy of the court."

Courtesy of the Game.

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NEW DENVER ITEMS.

Red Paddy is prospecting along the Kettle river.

A. P. McDonald will act as agent for the Lethbridge coal in Silverton.

Born—In Trout Lake City, on August 31, the wife of D. R. McLennan of a son.

Hill Bros.' sawmill is kept very busy, and they have several large orders on hand.

John Bull, of Argenta, merchant, has assigned to W. H. Bell. The creditors will meet on September 21.

O. J. Marino will leave for Pueblo, Colorado, some time this month, where he intends to reside in the future.

A pack train from Sandon, loaded with supplies, passed through here Tuesday for the Jeannette mine, Wilson creek.

No move has yet been made to convene the Conservatives in this vicinity, with a view to sending a delegate to the New Westminster conference.

Nicholas Tregear, superintendent at the Le Roi, Rossland, has resigned. He will be succeeded by A. P. Wilson, of the Elkton Consolidated, Cripple Creek.

P. A. Munro has sold his freighting business to Palma Angrignon. Phil will spend a few weeks around Montreal before again settling down to active work.

Barbarian Brown and Steve Bailey played a high rolling game of faro in Spokane last week. Brown took down $2,800 by a lucky call of the turn. It was Spokane's banner game.

Jim Bowes looked in the other day and said he was going to the Palouse country, to raise hops. Jim was only joshing, as Silverton would never let one of its best men turn into a farmer.

Papers in various parts of the country report shipments of ore from Bosun Landing in the Slocan. There is no such station in existence and a pound of ore has never been billed from such a place.

SLOCAN MINERAL FLOAT.

W. Koch is rushing work on the Emily Edith wagon road.

Colonel Ray inspected the Molly Gibson and Dardanelles last week.

More work is being done on Wilson creek this season than ever before.

The Evelyn, on Four Mile, has been bonded to W. McDonald, of Sandon.

Murdock McLean is superintending the construction of the Wakefield flume.

Work was commenced Saturday by contract on the long tunnel on the Queen Bess.

For two months ending Sept. 1, 230 locations and 256 assessments were recorded in Trout Lake City.

Butler and McNicholl have a nice showing of clean galena on the Mountain Scenery, Eight Mile creek.

The receipts at the record office last month showed a big falling off from July, owing to the wet spell.

Work on the Silver Band has been suspended until financial arrangements are made for further development.

A large and complete camp is to be erected at the Jeannette, on Wilson creek. The property will be worked all winter.

Jackson Radcliffe and Frank Provost will run 40 feet of tunnel on the Twin Sister group. The property is on the north fork of Lemon creek, and work will commence this week.

Robert Clark has discovered coal in the Boundary camp. It is on the Laurier claim, on the north fork of Kettle river. Jay P. Graves and R. C. Campbell-Johnston are interested in the property.

SLOCAN CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

D. A. Ross has returned from Toronto, Ont.

The Chapleau has shipped 15 tons of ore to Nelson.

Shook & Arnot have sold out their sawmill at Lemon creek.

Hugh Sutherland is expected in this week, when arrangements will be completed to resume work on the Evening Star group at once.

Quite a number went from here to Nelson on Saturday, to hear Dan Godfrey's celebrated band. An extra coach was added to the train to accommodate the crowd from here and up the lake points.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moran, of New Denver, are guests at the Arlington hotel. Jim is one of Slocan's successful mining men. He was one of the original owners of the Queen Bess. He is now here in connection with some mining property he owns adjoining the Molly Gibson, on Kokanee creek.

EIGHT HOURS IN UTAH.

In Utah eight hours is a legal day's work in a mine, but we are informed that there is no penalty attached for working longer, except that a miner gets an increased ratio of pay for over time. It is stated the pay is from $2.50 to $3, except in wet mines, where it is $3.50. Three shifts can be worked with advantage on nearly all of the mines, and most of them are shaft properties. The Washington Star contains the following:

"While in Utah the sub-commission investigated the operation of the eight-hour law in that state, which is the only one in the union where there is an eight-hour law applying to miners. We found that the law was giving great satisfaction both to the laborers and their employers. The testimony of the operators was that the men did as much in eight hours as they formerly had in ten. The men who work in the metalliferous mines work by the day, and they get out as much ore in eight hours as they formerly did in ten. The managers of the mines said that the men came to work with more vigor after their longer hours of rest, and that they now work with an eight-hour stroke. The men appreciate their exceptional conditions in regard to hours of labor. The testimony showed that their moral and intellectual, as well as physical condition, was improved by the shorter hours. There is less drunkenness than under the ten-hour system."

FOURTEEN INCHES OF ORE.

New Denver Ledge.

Though the owners of the Mollie Hughes commenced work only last week, that property never looked better than it does at the present time, while the ore chute being cut has never been excelled for richness in the camp. Thos. Avison, who is in charge of affairs, decided upon opening up the lead on the Mollie Hughes claim, where it was partially exposed in an open cut. Good ore was soon encountered, and then a new tunnel was commenced, a little above the openings made by the Northwest Mining Syndicate when they had the property under bond. The vein was quickly struck, with the most gratifying results. Saturday night there was 14 inches of ore standing in the breast, with every indication of it continuing in place. It carries copper, gold and silver, the latter showing largely in the native form. As might be expected, the combination gives very high values. The ore as taken out is carefully piled on the dump ready for shipment, very little sorting being necessary. That the owners of the property may meet with complete success is the wish of the townspeople.

Mackintosh's Titles.

There is no sign yet of any purchases on behalf of the new $15,000,000 syndicate which Mr. Mackintosh is reported to have formed, with Lord Aberdeen at its head. By the way, the ex-lieutenant governor of the Northwest Territories has no right to the titles "Governor" or "Hon.," with which the local press delights to adorn him. As far as can be observed, he still (and quite naturally) takes a large interest in the affairs of the Britise America Corporation, though it is reported here that Mr. Whittaker Wright has bought all of his shares in that company. A gentleman who brings a great reputation from Broken Hill is examining the British America Corporation properties, in order to report on them from a smelter point of view.—London correspondence of News-Advertiser.

Carlyle in Demand.

W. A. Carlyle, formerly provincial mineralogist and now superintendent of the British America Carporation properties at Rossland, has been offered the management of the famous Rio Tinto copper mines in Spain, at a salary of $25,000 per year.

This offer Mr. Carlyle has since accepted, leaving Rossland on December 1, and will take charge at the 1st of next April. His salary commences at the new year. The Rio Tinto employs 14,000 men and is the third largest producer in the world. It has been worked for centuries, and last year paid $4,005,000 in dividends upon a capital stock of $90,000,000. The shareholders are in England, Scotland and France, the Rothschilds having the control.

The McCuaigs Talk.

The following interesting telegram was sent to the Vancouver Province last week:—

The report published in your issue of the 21st ult. that I will shortly visit British Columbia with a view to a compromise was manufactured out of whole cloth. While our mines are closed down smelting charges are being reduced, and there is a probability of the repeal of the duty on lead which would increase profit on every ton of lead ore to twenty dollars. The benefit we are therefore deriving from the delay is apparent.

CLARENCE J. MCCUAIG.

Lead Smelting Bonus.

W. G. Parmelee, deputy minister of trade and commerce, left Ottawa on Friday for British Columbia, to inspect the books of the various smelters. In 1895 Parliament authorized a bonus of $150,000 to assist the smelting in British Columbia of silver-lead ores, there being then three smelters in existence. The terms of the bonus provided for the payment of not more than 50 cents per ton, and the total subvention was divided over five years, at the rate of $30,000 a year. As the term of the bonus has nearly expired, the department considered it advisable to have the accounts of the companies examined.

South American ants have been known to construct a tunnel three miles long, a labor for them proportionate to that which would be required for men to tunnel under the Atlantic from New York to London.

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THE EVOLUTION OF NELSON.

A moral wave is gradually washing away the vices of Nelson. The piano thumpers on the east end of Baker street have had to cease their nightly labors, and there is more than one kind of ruin in that part of the city. Gambling is confined principally to nickle-in-the-slot machines and real estate. The saloons are still as of old, but they know not the day when the tenderfoot population will cause them to close up at 11 p.m. and deal grog through the back window, a la Toronto, on Sundays. Fruit, cigar, and other dealers in goods, are quivering in their brogans, for fear it will soon be a crime to do business on the Sabbath day. It is whispered that an eastern man is looking for a seat in the lookout chair of the council. If he should get it, the citizens will no doubt have plenty of Beer next year, and nothing but real estate will be allowed to run riot. The name of Frank Fletcher is spoken of as the possible great chief of the Nelsonites during the last year of this century. Frank has some qualifications for the office. His sweet way of using honeyed words is calculated to make the masses believe they are the people, and that butter could not be induced to melt in his mouth. No matter how the municipal game goes, John Houston can be depended upon to keep the cases, and see that everybody gets their bets down in the right place.—The Ledge.

It has been discovered that there are 360 distinct kinds of bacilli in whiskey, This explains why drinking it effects people in so many different ways. It all depends what kind of a microbe is on shift in the boozerino when you take it. Micro-organism that is disturbed by the admixture of aqua pura is the least harmful.

Lady Harberton says that women should not be ashamed of their true, God-given form, and should change the raiment of misery to the bloomers of health. She is right. Let the bloomers bloom, if by so blooming the bloom of health will mantle the cheeks of delicate women.

Dreytus has been found guilty, but will likely be free in a few days. He should come to America, where he can roast the French at long range, and lead a lite free from care, jail and court martials.

Typhoid fever occasionally does a little business in Nelson and Rossland. It has not been in the Slocan this summer, which is one blessing that we are thankful for.

Doctors say that cold ankles kill more women than nerves or disease. This is another strong reason why ladies should never play poker.

LIGHT AND BREEZY.

Miles—Wasn't it disgraceful the way Jones snored in church today?

Stiles—Disgraceful isn't the word for it; it woke me right up.

§

Magistrate—What passed between yourself and the complainant?

O'Brien—I think, sor, a half-dozen of bricks and a lump of paving stone.

§

Minister—I am sorry I didn't see you at church yesterday, Tummus.

Tummus—Weel, ye see, it wis siccan a wet day it wisna fit to turn oot a dog in. But I sent the wife, sir.

§

A new singer in the south dashes from his lyre the following pickaninny lullaby:

Unto a little nigger
A-swimming in the Nile,
Appeared quite unexpectedly
A hungry crocodile,
Who, with that fierce politeness
That makes the warm blood freeze,
Remarked, "I'll take a little dark meat,
Without dressing, if you please."

§

Mrs. Suddenrich, (a smart woman)—Did you write to the Town Talk Printing Company for specimens of all their latest visiting cards?

Daughter—Yes, maw, an' they just sent 'em—'bout a hundred of 'em, all sorts and kinds.

What names are on 'em?

Names of all the bigbugs in the city. Put 'em on the parlor table.

§

"Why don't you get dinner?" he asked.

"You didn't marry a cook," she replied, simply.

Time passes. It is now the dead of night, and muffled footfalls are heard in the house.

"Why don't you go and drive the burglars away?" she exclaimed.

"You didn't marry a policeman," he said.

§

Two Wagoner girls became infatuated with the idea of having their photos made with their heads stuck through a torn newspaper, and went to a photograph gallery for that purpose. However, when their pictures were taken, they were horrified to see what they failed to notice before: the paper they had put their heads through was a Cincinnatti paper, and just beneath their smiling faces was a tailor's advertisement, headed, "Our Pants are Lined in the Seat."

§

A London paper gives this story, which may possibly have a moral concealed in it for someone in our own country:

As a well-known London clergyman was recently ascending the steps to his church, an old lady requested his help. With his usual courtly grace he gave the old lady his arm. On the top step she halted, breathlessly, and asked him who was to preach.

"The Rev. Mr. —," he replied, giving his own name.

"Oh, dear," exclaimed the old lady, "help me down again, I'd rather listen to the endless grinding of a windmill. Help me down again, I'll not go in."

The minister smiled and gently assisted her down again, remarking as he departed from her, "I wouldn't go in either if I weren't the preacher."

A TINY LETTER.

A memory of brighter days
Is mine tonight:
A fireside with its ruddy blaze,
And two eyes bright
That look in mine so thoughtfully;
Those of the lad who wrote to me.

Perplexed, I toiled, with many cares
Upon my task;
My little one came up the stairs
Something to ask;
Rudely repulsed, without a word
He left me, with his wish unheard.

The moments fled: then at my door
A step came light;
A tiny letter on the floor
Quick caught my sight;
I picked it up, my heart was sad
That I had so repulsed the lad.

"Dear pa," the tiny letter read,
"I know that you
Are tired; so I'll go to bed,
But these words few
I write, to tell you that I love
You more and more, all else above."

Oh, how the wisdom of my books
Shrunk into naught
Before those uncomplaining looks
That erstwhile sought
My own! I called him back to me,
Dear lad—and kissed him tenderly.

A memory! Oh, if we knew
The future's blight
That oft our pathway doth pursue
'Twould clear our sight;
And words that chide would seldom fall
To haunt us, like a gloomy pall!

I could not keep my little lad!
But here tonight
A fond memento, sweetly sad,
Makes dim my sight;
A letter kept so sacredly,
The one my darling wrote to me.

—Eugene Field.

He Took Nails.

The owner of a general store in a western town got married. In this little town it is the custom of the happy bridegroom to set up the cigars for all the congratulating males who drop in to wish him joy. So the bridegroom in this instance had a box on the counter, and most of his patrons were regaled from it.

Pretty soon an ancient gentleman came in. The storekeeper, who felt friendly to all the world just then, pushed the box towards the new comer.

"Have a cigar, Uncle Jim," he smilingly said.

Uncle Jim looked at the box and then at the storekeeper.

"What this for?" he asked.

The storekeeper slightly blushed.

"Been gettin' married."

"Who? You?"

"Yep. Me."

"An' you're standin' treat, eh?"

"Yep," said the storekeeper.

The old man picked up a cigar.

"How much did these cigars cost ye, Ab?" he inquired.

"Oh," replied the storekeeper, "they cost me 'bout four cents. They're nickel cigars."

The old man dropped the cigar back into the box. Then his gaze wandered around the store.

"Well, Ab," he slowly drawled, "ef it's all the same to you, I'll take a pound o' nails."

And he got them.

The Fleas Suffered.

A braw son of Scotia accepted an invitation to spend a fortnight with a friend in London, whose quarters were in the dense purlieus of Clerkenwell. On joining his host at breakfast the morning after his arrival the following colloquy took place, much to the annoyance of the lady of the house:

Host—Well, Sandy, old man, how did you sleep?

Sandy—Aweel, mon, to say truth, na so vera weel.

Host—I am sorry to—

Sandy (interrupting)—Ah, dinna fash yesself, mon! I was better aff than the fleas, for they never closed a blessed e'e the whole nicht.

A neighboring editor now takes the back streets of his town on account of the way he mixed up the report of a cattle show and a concert, says an exchange. This is the way he made it read: "The concert given by Odessa's most beautiful young ladies was highly appreciated. They sang in a most charming manner, winning the plaudits of the entire audience, who pronounced them the finest herd of shorthorns in the country. A few are of rich brown color, but the majority are spotted brown and white. Several of the heifers are able-bodied, fine limbed and promise to prove good milkers."

On the north fork of Carpenter creek A. O. Ostby and partners have yet to drive 80 feet on the Lucky Swede before they strike the lead. Across the creek from this property Tom Rouse is developing a claim with promising results.

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CANADA AS A FIELD OF CAPITAL.

While our constant efforts to encourage the flow of capital towards the great Dominion may be as a drop in the ocean, there are journals devoted to the general interests of the investor, ever and anon following in our wake with weighty editorials on the claims of the country for wider recognition. Want of space frequently forbids us quoting our contemporaries to the length their utterances may deserve, but the following from the Financial Times we are sure will be read with close attention:—Rudyard Kipling has said of Canada: "It is a great country; a country with a great future. There is a fine, hard, bracing climate, the climate that puts iron and grit into men's bones, and there are all good things to be got out of the ground if men will work for them. What it wants is more men and more money. Why don't Englishmen think more of it as a field for English enterprise and capital? Surely there is an excellent opening both for the investing and the emigrating Briton there. Things don't perhaps move quite so fast as in the United States, but they are safer, and you are under the flag you know, and among men of the same stock and breed. Send your folks to Canada, and if they can't go themselves, let them send their money—plenty of it." This is certainly a very strong testimonial, and though as a rule we do not look to poets and novelists for advice as to investments, we must concede that Rudyard Kipling is a very keen and accurate observer. To be sure Canada has not hitherto been a very happy hunting ground for British investors. But the fact will constantly obtrude itself that other people have made, and are making money there. Canada is the nearest and most important of our colonies. It is, therefore, but natural that we and our capital should play the largest part in its development, if that development be profitable. Yet for one reason or another we seem to have gone everywhere else first in the endeavor to find employment for our surplus capital. We have been largely instrumental in developing Brazil, Argentina and Chili and making them appreciable factors in the world, though it can hardly be said the result to us has been very satisfactory. We have exploited the petroleum fields of the Russians and built them railways. We have simply poured money into one enterprise or another in the United States, while the proportion of Britons residing in that enterprising republic is by no means small. We go into ectasies over China or some other distant portions of the world as fields that it will be profitable to us to exploit, and we are told that we have neglected a very rich and promising portion of our own empire which has been for many years ripe for exploitation.

We might retort that this, if true, is very good proof that the field is not what it is represented, were it not that the efforts of others have been singularly well rewarded. Our American cousins have seen and taken advantage of opportunities in mining, manufacturing, lumbering, and many other branches of industry which have given them very good returns indeed, while we appear to have had the singular faculty for either choosing unfortunately, or mismanaging with painful consistency when we have chosen. We notice a great deal in the Canadian papers just now about the recovery that set in a year or two ago, and though the results of this renewal of activity are rather difficult to crystallize in figures as yet, we can give some outstanding facts which seem to indicate pretty clearly that the country is on the eve of a very rapid development, of which we certainly desire to take advantage.

The population at present is estimated at 5¼ millions, though a regular census will not be taken again until 1901, and immigration from various parts of Europe is proceeding on a fairly extensive scale. There are in all about 17,000 miles of railway, and a second transcontinental line of railway will soon be in course of construction in links, some of which already exist. There are 70,000 miles of telegraph wire in operation and considerably more building. Within a short time there will be a 14-foot waterway from the head of Lake Superior through the chain of great fresh water seas to Montreal, and the navigation of the St. Lawrence will be so improved that the very heaviest vessel will be easily able to come up to that port. The coasts are also well lighted, so that a great deal has been done to pave the way for internal commercial development.

Nor in doing this has the country been at all over burdened, as the credit of the government in the London market was shown to be exeeptionally good when the last loan was floated on terms more favorable than could be obtained, probably, by any other government except that of Great Britain itself. The government's budget for the past year is, we believe, not yet closed, but it indicates a probable surplus of over £1,100,000. It does not appear, therefore, other than a healthy sign that the expenditure voted for the coming year (some £10,500,000), or thereabouts, is the largest in the history of that colony, while at the session of parliament just closed over £1,500,000 was voted in subsidies to prospective railways. The value of exports of the fisheries in 1898 was about £2,200,000; that of produce of the forest £5,300,000; and that of mineral products £7,600,000; and, to give an idea of the extent of the interchange of commodities between the different provinces, 25,000,000 tons of goods were carried over the railways in 1897, while the tonnage of vessels in the coasting trade and on the lakes in that year was 27,200,000 tons. The total exports for the year ending June last were £23,000,000, as against £13,500,000 in 1868, and about £2,400,000 in 1837.

The agricultural industry is yet by a good deal the most important in the country, and the export of provinces, such as cheese and butter, to Great Britain has grown very largely in a few years, while there seems to be equal room for expansion in many other branches. The facts and figures which are available certainly seem to show that there is a good field for British enterprise and commercial ability, as well as capital, in further developing even those branches of industry which are already well established, though they are, perhaps, not as alluring as more speculative ventures like mining. In connection with the lumber industry alone there seems to be a most promising field for the employment of both brains and capital. Already the making of pulp to be manufactured into paper abroad has acquired considerable importance as an industry.

In respect to mining, there are practically only two comparatively small districts where as yet ample capital has been efficiently applied. Mr. Whitney, the Boston financier, seems to be well satisfied with the results of his labors in this direction in the coal mines in Nova Scotio, and the Rossland district of British Columbia is considered even here as promising. Yet the mineral possibilities of the Dominion have scarcely been scratched. Klondyke we hear enough about, and the Kootenay country, in British Columbia, is occasionally mentioned; but the government engineers and geologists tell us of what appear to be valuable mineral deposits, not only in many other parts of British Columbia and the Yukon district, but in north western Ontario, eastern Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, and Labrador.

Taken altogether, therefore, it would require a very sturdy doubter to persevere in the contention that it is not wise to make a very thorough study of the possibilities of this country, where, as Rudyard Kipling puts it, "You are under the flag you know, and among men of the same stock and breed," before deciding to continue the policy of giving our principal attention to the development of foreign countries. The efforts that we have made have not always resulted happily, and it is too true that there are a great many designing and unscrupulous men who have been, and are, only too ready to take advantage of the slightest sign of interest. But we think there would be less reason to complain if the advice were always taken which Lord Strathcona, the veteran man of affairs who represents Canada in London, invariably gives to those who seek it. That is, before investing money to go over the ground personally, to know the business you are embarking in and to manage it on the spot. This has been Lord Strathcona's own plan, and he has certainly found Canada a most profitable place to do business and invest money in.—B.C. Review.

D. R. Young, chief pilot and orator for the Kootenay Standard, is in the Slocan. He states that if things do not become more smooth in his present sphere, he will start a ranch and hatch chickens by putting the eggs in a natural hot spring. This is an idea worthy of Colonel Sellers.

WHEN A FELLER'S PACKIN' UP.

When a feller's packin' up to leave he whistles—don't you know;
Or, tells you it's the weather that affects his feelin's so!
Or ef from jest one corner of his eye a tear may run,
He says he's "jest perspirin'!"—but he don't fool anyone!

Fer that 'ere packin' up ain't what they crack it up to be;
You never pack your heart in with the other things, you see!
Thar's the letters that she wrote you—that you've kept and loved for years;
An' some of 'em looks blotted—but I reckon it's yer tears!

An' the last sweet letter, mebbe, is the one that gives the pain,
An' made yer eyes run over like rivers swelled by rain.
But thar it is amongst 'em, an' you sigh, an' understan'
You're only keepin' of it 'cause she writ it with her han'.

When a feller's packin' up to leave he'd better keep apart,
Or he'll have a sad time in tryin' for to whistle off his heart!
That laugh o' his rings hollow, an' his jokes air feeble, too—
He's a funeral procession 'spite o' all that he kin do!

I never did like packin'. When the leavin' time comes on
I allus gives instructions: "Ship my things when I am gone!"
An', that jest what I've tol' 'em! (Never think I'll shed a tear!—
But it looks as ef 'twas rainin' ten or twenty mile from here!)

—Atlanta Constitution.

Scottish Discrimination.

The native preference of the Scotch for their own, not to say their dislike for the English, is illustrated by this little military incident:

Color sergeant of Highland company (in which were one or two English), calling the roll:

"Angus Mackay!" No reply. Louder: "Angus Mackay!" Still no reply. (Sotto voce): "I ken ye're there; yer aye at yer jooty, decent mon, but ye're ower modest to speak before sae mony folk. I see ye fine." Marks him down in the roll.

"John Jones!"

Squeaky voice replies: "'Ere."

Sergeant: "Ou, ay, ye're here, but ye're sich a muckle leear I canna believe a word that comes oot o' yer mooth, sae I'll jist mark ye doon as being absent!"

Gordon Sutherland will look after the construction of several buildings which the Emily Edith is to have erected this fall.

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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.

August 30—Waterloo Fraction, O K cr, J T Kelly. Midday, reloc of Victor, J Tinling. Maydee Extension, Four Mile cr, J Brandon.

31—Kootenay Sovereign, reloc of Forest Fire, E P Bremner.

Sept 2—Galena Fraction, Galena mt, F H Wilson.

5—L D Fraction, Noble Five mt, C A Freeman. Esmorelda, Howser cr, C Anderson. Corell Fraction, s f Carpenter, G Kay. The Just One Girl, Silver mt, C F Nelson. Ocean Queen, Trout cr, Emily Swan. Copper King, same, F W Wright. Rubee, same, A Finnegan. Michican, same, M Matson. Emerald, same, R McGregor.

6—Morning Glory Fraction, Fidelity Hill, A Jacobson. J M B, Gold cr, D Brandon.

7—Trumpet Fraction, Slocan lake, N W Mining Syndicate. Swede Boy, n f Carpenter, A O Ostby, F Johnson, C Peterson.

8—Bank Roll, Eight Mile cr, D Brandon.

11—Chance, divide Ten and Twelve Mile cr, J Winters. Continual, Eight Mile cr, J C Butler. Ava, Silver mt, F Pyman. Sunrise, same, D McKinnon. Alert, Eight Mile cr, D A VanDorn.

12—Oakland, Silver mt, Pat Mooney. Nob Hill, Slocan lake, M L Nicholson.

ASSESSMENTS.

August 30—Mono Fraction, Toronto, Province, Pure Gold, Belle Smith, Camp Lodge, Eastern Townships. Sept 1—Mountain Goat, Fedora, Black Horse, White Horse. 2—Neglected, Tramp Plaint, Mountain Queen, Mountain Maid. 5—Tornado, Flood Fraction, No 2, International, Imperial, Bosphorus, Gibraltar, Silver Band, Troyford, Islington, Winton, Croydon Fraction, Rodney. 6—Surprise Extension, War Fraction, Commander, 8—Fountain Fraction, Black Diamond. 9—Snowdon. 11—Iron Mountain, Holliday Fraction, Lilly, Oakland No 4, Mountain Scenery, Twilight, Storm. 12—Sadie, Ellis, M & M, Ella, Prince, Alhambra, Lilly R, Lone Star No 3.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Sept 11—Boatswain Fraction, Tyro, Tyro Fraction.

OPTIONS.

Sept 6—Evelyn, option to purchase for $3,000, J W Kyte, A Horton and W Brown to Ward McDonald, Sept 5.

TRANSFERS.

August 29—Alice Murphy, A J Murphy to V H Behne, April 29 Utica, Andrew Jay, Alice, Bridget McCue to P McCue, Aug 3. Power of attorney, J M M Benedum to J W Kyte, Aug 11.

30—Same, C A Stoess to H Mackenzie. Aug 26.

31—Drumlummon and Homestake ½, J Carraher to T McMurry, Aug 24; $200.

Sept 6—J L P, F A Henneberg to M McAndrews, July 5, 1897. Same, M McAndrews to J V O McLaughlin, June 9, $1200.

7—Alert ¼, F Pyman to F R Hurry, Sept 4

8—Humphrey and Best Fraction, all, Rambler-Cariboo Co to W H Adams, July 28. Same, W H Adams to Rambler-Cariboo Co, Aug 28. Coming Event and Central 1-6, J S Reed to T Clair, Sept 8. Power of attorney, J H Bowes to E C Wragge, Aug 14. Same, F F MacNaughton to J A Bowes, Aug 16.

11—Coming Event 1-6, J S Read to J Taylor, Sept 11.

SLOCAN CITY DIVISION.

LOCATIONS.

August 29—Fern, 2 n fork Lemon, P McEwen. Rob Roy, Lemon cr, A Finnigan and R McGregor, Ouida, Ten Mile cr, W Brasch. Selkirk, reloc Tallahassee, B Carter.

30—Royal, Dayton cr, B Kneebone. Admiral, same, P Alltoffer.

31—Wiltshire, reloc Joint Hope, H A Chapman.

Sept 1—Willet, Lemon cr, I Orchard.

2—Tufidel, same, Mrs Emma Rackliff. Orthodox, same, C H Abercrombie. Virden, Springer cr, Jos Smith.

5—Mountain View, s f Lemon cr, Pat Nolan. Climbing Rose Fraction, n f of Lemon, F Dick. Redwood, div Lemon and Springer, W Kyte.

6—Alexander, Printer cr, W Anderson. Star, reloc of D Smith, R Kurtyhals. Maggie, Twelve Mile cr, same.

8—Middlesex Fraction, Robson cr, J A Foley. Midland, reloc Calgary, W Farney. Latour, reloc Sterling, W A Keith. Flagstaff, reloc Josie, W Farney. Robert Bruce, reloc I & U, J G Gordon. Puritan, reloc Silvertonian, J I Farney.

9—Heather Bell, Ten Mile cr, M E Young.

ASSESSMENTS.

August 28—Galena Mountain, Sultana, St Lawrence, Sunnyside for two years. 29—Empress, Zulu, Slug Ten. Sept 2—Snowflake, Two Friends for 3 years. 6—Dorset. 7—Corinne for two years. 8—Balko, Gnu. 9—Concomara, Two Friends.

TRANSFERS.

August 26—Louise, Arch York to D Lloyd.

Sept 7—Francis M ½, J Thompson to J Radcliff, $100.

9—Oregon, notice that a ⅛ interest belongs to C M Gething and R G Henderson.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

LOCATIONS.

August 21—Mona Fraction, on Kaslo creek, R Green. Bracelit, Schroeder creek, G Carlquist. Kootenay, Bear creek, J Hanson. Ontario, Black Hill, Thelma, Iron Bluff, on Dunn creek, L Hagglund. Bluebird, Bear creek, same. Betsy, Hooker creek, A F Adams. John T, same, W J Murphy. Comas, Campbell creek, White and Otto.

22—Rose, Hooker creek, J Pattenaude. Last Will, s fork, D Campbell and C K Morrow. Zenith, near Kaslo, J Miller Myrtle, Schroder creek, J Swanson. Wender, same, J Nyman. Lucky Bill Fraction, Woodbury creek, N Johnson.

23—Marion, Bear creek, Scovil and McVichie. Chief Fraction, Kaslo creek, R A Bradshaw.

24—Lakeside, Howser lake, F Harper. Silver Leaf, Knob Hill, Kootenay Star, Duncan river, D Johnson and H Black.

25—Unknown and Helious, Twelve Mile, R Roberts. Mystery, same, M N Anderson.

26—Hope, Cooper creek, G D Morrison. Frog Hill, on Trout lake trail J Bouluna. Iron Mountain, Glacier creek, T F Cosgriff.

28—Ida, Granite Basin, H Nelson. Province, s fork, W J Davenport. Trail, same, R P Riggs, W J Davenport.

29—Stonewall, Cooper creek, Erickson and McDonald.

30—Little Bee, Glacier creek, A di Michell.

ASSESSMENTS.

August 24.—British Empire and Hot One Fraction, Wm Anderson. Hardscramble, G J Henry. Summit and Hecla, W F Riddell. Kootenay Queen, Slocan Chief No 10, Ironwood and Burlington, B Pearson.

25—Frontenac, R George. Ottawa, N Murchison. Triumph, K Ross.

26—Golden Gate, Mollie Riley, Get There and Stampede, J C Hansen.

28—Florence L, W Hill. Alpi and Helvetia, A Guidotti. Thurso and Romeo, D Gildwist. St Gothard, Glacier and Gruttle by S Schwander,

29—Aspen, J Neven. Wabash. John Tinling. Dayton, G T Kane. Cocilia May, W Holmes. Mogul Fraction, Jas Moran.

30—Mystic Region, by D R McLean. Merry England, H R Stovel. Elkhorn Queen, J Traficanti. Escanaba, Hazel and Homestretch, T Austin. Diamond Joe, K Ross.

TRANSFERS.

August 24—Sheriff's sale of the Slocan Chief No 10 and Kootenay Queen.

25—W S ¼, W Sudrow to J Sudrow. Betsey and Red Star ½, S Swanson to A E Lundburg. Utica and Andrew Jay, Bridget McCue to P McCue.

26—Tams Fraction ½, A Stalberg to V A Johnson.

28—Prince Edward ⅜, N W Sprague to H Cody, $400. Pasamalon and Red Star ½, C A Cameron to J A McVichie.

30—Redstar ⅛, C H Cameron to J F McIntosh. Agreement between A C Bozzetti and Jessy Duval. Power of attorney, F LoCasto to A Sproat. W H Taylor to J A Finch.

SILVER'S NEWEST PHASE.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says that it will doubtless interest British Columbians, large numbers of whom are concerned in silver producing mines, to learn that British India's adoption of a gold currency is in the opinion of Clinton Dawkins, the financial expert of the Indian Legislative Council, unlikely to bring about further detriments to silver values.

The Indian government is enabled, under its gold currency legislation, to buy silver rupees with gold at a fixed rate of 15 to the pound, which coin is to be the unit of the new currency of British India. It is this fixture of the rate of exchange for the rupee, coupled with power for the Indian government to buy rupees freely at such rate, which, in Mr. Dawkins' opinion, will more than neutralize what would otherwise be the adverse effect of the new legislation on silver.

The intended fixed rate averages usual recent rates of silver exchange in India and should substitute tolerable certainty of a moderate rate for fluctuating uncertainty of silver value. Hence Mr. Dawkins declares that whilst the Indian government naturally has no desire to direct anything hostile to silver, in which the inhabitants of India largely invest their savings, it believes that the rupee silver currency will hereafter expand in response to trade demands, now that a fixed value in gold is sought by the government's effort.

All friends of silver—and they are, of course, many in our province—will hope that Mr. Dawkins' expectation may be fully realized, and the change now brought about in India rather benefit than depreciate silver values.

THE GALENA FARM.

The Salt Lake City Herald, talking about the Galena Farm mine, says that it adjoins the Payne. It is ten miles from the Payne. The Herald also says:

"As a matter of fact, this property was purchased for $70,000 for the English company. The English shareholders were told that the mine could pay about $500,000 per annum, although at this time the developments consisted of a 50-foot shaft and some drifting. The management, in the course of two years, spent $100,000 in cash on the plant and in development, when the discovery was made that the ore was of much lower grade than represented, and worse still, development failed to open up the ore bodies shown in the upper levels. Several reports were made on the property for the English shareholders, and it became evident that a further large expenditure of money was necessary before the mine could be put in shape to pay dividends.

"The funds by this time had become exhausted and as a result it became necessary to shut down the mine, and the last page of this portion of the mine's history was written some weeks ago, when it was purchased by A. W. McCune, W. L. Hoge, and McCuaig, Rykert & Co., of Montreal. This Montreal firm is the owner of the Payne mine, the biggest mine and the one that has paid the most dividends of any mine in British Columbia."

The new owners of the Galena Farm propose to develop and operate the mine on scientific mining principles, and considerable money will be expended in improved machinery. Recent reports have been made of an immense body of ore in sight. Carl H. Hand, formerly of Butte, superintendent of the Payne mine, has been placed in charge of the Galena Farm. There is already a fine hoist and compressor run by water power, and rapid development of the mine has been determined upon.

C. W. Brewster and S. A. Hartman, of Rossland, have finished the assessment work on their Wilson creek claims. Assays from the ore taken out show high values in silver.

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CARLYLE'S NEW JOB.

Will Manage the Famous Rio Tinto Copper Mines.

Mr. W. A. Carlyle, at present general superintendant of the properties of the British America Corporation at Rossland, has received the appointment of manager of the historic Rio Tinto copper mines in Spain.

No other Canadian has attained such prominence as a mining expert as has been given to Mr. Carlyle by his connection with the B. A. C. and the success which has attended his operations for that company, and the appointment offered him is in itself an evidence that as a mine manager he is in the very front rank.

Great as the possibility of his present position is, it can hardly compare in any degree with that which he is about to take, the Rio Tinto being the largest mine of any description in the world, though it ranks only third in the list of copper producers, being surpassed by the Anaconda of Montana, and Calumet-Hecla of Lake Superior.

The Rio Tinto, which is situated in the province of Auelva, in the south of Spain, at present employs 12,000 hands, including a large number of women, from which it will be seen that it is operated on a very extensive scale, yet, although it has been worked from time immemorial and is the oldest mine now yielding ore, it bids fair to remain one of the greatest copper-producing mines for centuries to come.

The ore body of the Rio Tinto is undoubtedly the most wonderful in the history of mining, in which history the mine has from beginning played a leading part. Practically the only known limit to the ledge is its width, which is 1,000 feet. Last year the mine produced 1,500,000 tons of copper ore. The ore is of solid pyrites, carrying 2.8 per cent copper. Of the ore mined 800,000 tons were shipped and sold, the remainder being treated on the ground in the manner originated by some of the early workers. The ore is placed on large roast heaps where, after being roasted, it is allowed to leach, the copper running out in the form of copper sulphate, to be precipitated as metallic copper in large trenches filled with scrap iron. This system of treatment has been followed from time immemorial.

Last year the mine produced nearly 75,000,000 pounds of copper, and paid $4,500,000 in dividends. The amount of profit yielded during the life of the mine it is impossible to estimate, but it would certainly cover the national debt of every nation in Christendom. The estimated value of the mine at the present day may be told from the price of the stock, £5 shares being quoted on the market at over £10, which would make the market value of the property $90,000,000. The stock is held principally in England, Scotland and France, the Rothschilds and their associates holding the control.

Mr. Carlyle expects to assume his new position on January 1, but will not take charge of the Rio Tinto till April 1, as it will take him fully three months to familiarize himself with the property. He will hand over the charge of the B. A. C. properties to his successor, who has yet to be appointed, on December 1.

Mr. Carlyle's salry as manager of the Rio Tinto will be about $25,000 a year, in addition to which he will have a fine house, rent free, light and fuel, and all the servants he desires.

If they are going to call in troops from India, Australia and Canada to settle the Boer difficulty there are chances that it will be Oom Dennis instead of Oom Paul.

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.

Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE.

"TELEPHONE" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Payne Mountain, adjoining the "Two Jacks" and "Thursday Fraction" mineral claims, in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay; B. C.

Take Notice that I, E. M. Sandilands (Certificate No. B 13755) acting as agent for the Payne Consolidated Mining Company, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B 13921, intend, sixty days from 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 twenty-first day of July, 1899.

E. M. SANDILANDS,

Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE.

IRENE FRACTION MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Tributary Creek.

Take Notice that I, H. B. Alexander, of Sandon, B.C., Free Miner's Certificate No. 33232A, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to opply 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 commened before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements

Dated this twenty-ninth day of July, 1899.

H. B. ALEXANDER.

Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE.

"IRON DUKE" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Ainsworth Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the Notrh Fork of Kaslo Creek, adjoining the Metlakatta Mineral Claim.

Take Notice that I, M. R. W. Rathborne, of Silverton, B. C., Free Miner's Certificate No 3337 A, intend, sixty days from 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 furtner take notice that action, under section 37, must be, commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

M. R. W. RATHBORNE.

Dated this 14th day of July, 1899.

Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE.

ATLAS No. 2 MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay Distict. Where located: About three miles from Three Forks, on the North Fork of Carpenter Creek.

Take notice that I, Chas. Moore, of Kaslo B. C., acting as agent for Chas. S. Ellis, Free Miner's Certificate No. 33177A, 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 first day of August, 1899.

Chas. Moore.

Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE.

WELLINGTON, CHAMBERS, EUREKA AND JAY GOULD MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the North Slope of the South Fork of Carpenter Creek, above the Town of Cody.

Take Notice that I, J. H. Gray, acting as agent for Mrs. L. Berens, Free Miner's Certificate No. 34395 A, Ed. Becker, F. M. C. No. 12193' John Caldwell, F. M. C. No. 13792. F. A. Devereux, F. M. C. No. 53846 A, C. L. Preston, F. M. C No. 10349A, O. T. Stone, F. M. C. No. 10655A and J. H. Gray, F. M. C. No. 23145A, intend sixty days from date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claims,

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

Dated this twenty-first day of July, 1899.

J. H. GRAY.

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CITY COUNCIL.

The Light Service Will be Resumed. Flume Accounts Accepted for Payment.

At the council meeting on Monday evening the following accounts were accepted for payment:

Salaries	$396.63
Fire Dep't Maintenance	17.40
H Byers Co	4.15
Sandon Cartage Co	2.75
B C Gazette	8.00
J M Harris	30.00
Sundries (F C S)	5.75
Louis Hupperten	4.00
PAYSTREAK	7.50
Sundries (F C S)	5.85
A Osbourne	6.00
Folliott & McMillan	17.68
Court House Rent	15.00

The accounts of the Miners' Union Hospital, Sandon Water & Light Co., and D. J. Robertson were referred back for correction. The sight draft presented by the Standard Publishing Co., of Rossland, was laid over till the next meeting.

The resignation of A. C. McArthur as city auditor was received and the thanks of the council tendered him for his efficient services.

A motion by A. Crawford, seconded by C. D. Hunter, that the street light service be resmed immediately was defeated and a further motion by E. R. Atherton, seconded by John Buckley, that the service be resumed on October 1st, was carried.

An extra meeting of the council for the purpose of considering "Creek Improvements" accounts was held on Wednesday evening. The report of the city auditor and special auditor of the creek improvement accounts and the report of John Black, who was appointed to measure the flume was accepted as final and the following accounts recommended for payment:

P Genelle, lumber,	$2365.61
Robt Cunning, logs	113.00
B C Riblet, engineering	43 00
Geo Lovatt, lumber,	54.65
White & Cavanaugh, lumber	304.44
Reco M & M Co, ore sacks	8.50
McDonald Bros, lumber,	140.60
L Doolan. A Crawford acct	348.15
F McLeod, blacksmith work,	51.20
L Doolan, Hunter Bros acct,	233.45
H Byers Co, tools and hardware	400.00
J M Harris (Bank of B C) loan	4964.70
Bank of B C, int. on loan,	670.70
Outstanding time checks	1742.90
	$11,441.28
Poll Tax	144.00
Total	$11,585.28

The railway contractors on the Canadian Pacific and Kaslo & Lardo-Duncan railways are paying as high as $2.75 for laborers and are short of men.

CORPOTATION OF THE CITY OF SANDON.

NOTICE:—All City time checks issued during the year 1898 on account of "Creek Improvements" will be redeemed upon presentation at the City Office.

FRANK C. SEWELL,
City Clerk.

Sandon, Sept. 14th, '99.

LIBERAL CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Liberal Conservative Union of British Columbia will be held at the Assembly Hall, New Westminster on the 5th day of October next, commencing at 10 A. M.

All Liberal Conservatives will be welcome. The right to vote is confined to delegates chosen by Liberal Conservative Associations or District Meetings regularly convened for the purpose, one member for every twenty members of such Association or District Meeting. Proxies can only be used by members of the Union. Advantage may be taken of the Railway rates to and from the Exhibition, which is to be held at the same time.

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