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## LOCAL EXTRACT.

Jim McVichie figures on spending the winter in Mexico.

Mine camp cooks are very scarce in the Slocan just at present.

George S. McCarter, a Revelstoke attorney, was a visitor this week.

Timber lands are being staked in the neighborhood of the Little Slocan.

Mrs. Sullivan, chef of the Filbert, is spending a week's holiday in Kaslo.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Compeau left on Monday for Seattle, in which city they intend to reside.

Robert Cunning and Miss Cunning left on Monday morning for a three weeks' trip to California.

Jack Cameron left on Tuesday for Kirkfield, Ontario, to visit his old home for a month or two.

Fred Monteith left on Thursday for Maitland, Nova Scotia, for a three months' visit with his parents.

Jim McGowan, jig man at the Rambler, left on Wednesday for a trip to Halcyon and later to the coast.

J. T. Lane, superintendent of the Wakefield, returned this week from Colorado, where he has been looking up some zinc smelter processes.

Foreman Little of the Payne mill returned on Wednesday from a trip into the Similkameen country, where he was looking up some coal lands.

G. M. Ross, formerly operator at Halcyon, has taken the K. & S. agency at McGuigan. Mr. and Mrs. Ross went thru on Thursday to take up their residence there.

G. H. Murhard has taken over the Miners' restaurant. It will hereafter be open day and night and the class of provender served will be second to none in the camp.

Mr. Towgood's blooded horse dropped dead from heart failure last Sunday evening. It was a very fine little pedigreed saddle horse which he recently imported from Kamloops.

The Canadian Pacific is giving a round trip rate of $12.35 from Revelstoke to the New Westminster and Victoria exhibitions, good going September 28th to October 1st, and returning until October 6th.

A party of Slocan concentrator men leave Sandon in a week or ten days for Mexico to handle the 400-ton mill which Tom Mitchell has just completed in that country. It is a silver-lead proposition, similar to the Slocan mines.

Dick Shea is back in Spokane again with a shamrock in his buttonhole. Last week he got touched for $60 and a few diamonds that he happened to have about his clothes. The touchers are in jail awaiting trial, but Dick is still prospecting for further adventures.

E. E. Chipman, gold commissioner for this district, visited Sandon on Wednesday and Thursday and made arrangements to have the wagon road to Cody repaired and a bridge put in above the Cody townsite so that the properties on Cody creek can be reached. W. G. Clark is in charge of the work.

## WILL BUY ZINC ORE

### Lanyon Zinc Company Has an Ore Buyer in the Slocan Field.

Thomas Jones, representing the Lanyon Zinc company, with furnaces at Iola, Kansas, is spending the week in the Slocan making contracts with the mines of this camp for their zinc product to ship to Kansas for treatment. The Lanyon Zinc company is one of the heaviest handlers of zinc in United States. At their Iola works, which is in the natural gas belt of Kansas, this company has fifteen blocks of furnaces capable of producing 200 tons of metallic zinc a day. They carry their product up to the finished state, selling zinc white, zinc oxide, blue zinc, sheets and spelter. At present they are paying all attention to the New York market, where zinc is now quoted at $5.50 a hundred.

According to Mr. Jones, the class of ore required is one carrying a low percentage of lead and iron, high percentage of zinc and high values in silver. The demand in the past has always been for a zinc ore with little or no silver values, but the Lanyon company claims to be able to save all silver, and the higher the values the better it suits them.

At present the Lanyon company is buying most of its zinc at Leadville, Creede and Reco, Colorado, and at one or two smaller camps in Utah. Ore very similar to the Slocan ore is being successfully handled, even where the lead percentages run up over 15 per cent. From the concentrators at Creede a product exactly similar to the zinc product now being saved at the Ivanhoe mill, is being shipped extensively.

The system of buying zinc ore is altogether different from the system of buying lead ore. Instead of a sliding scale, with freight and treatment clauses and London quotations, the zinc ore buyer makes a strait bid for the ore as it lies in the bin. In Joplin, the great Missouri zinc center, there is a regular market day, Tuesday, when the week's product is bot and sold. On that day all the mine owners will come to town and bargain for the week's output. The present price for zinc in Joplin is $35 on a basis of 60 per cent, and 75 cents a unit, add or subtract. This means that the mine owner gets $35 a ton clear of any charge for ore that carries 60 per cent, 75 cents a unit is added to the price. If it runs less, 75 cents a unit is subtracted. Silver is settled for on a basis of 40 cents a unit. When the mine owner loads the ore his business with it is completed, except to draw his check. In Joplin, all payments are made Saturday of every week, and zinc mine owners, instead of waiting 90 days for returns as the Slocan producers do, simply go to the bank every Saturday and draw against the smelter companies for the whole amount of their production to date.

In shipping to Iola, the Slocan ore will have to be carried south over either the Great Northern or the Soo road at the present time, and freight rates will consequently be high, but Mr. Jones says he hopes to establish a trade by which he can ship to Puget Sound and around the Horn to Port Arthur, Texas, from which port the ore would be carried inland by rail to the gas belt smelters.

Mr. Jones also says that there is a good field on the Pacific coast for a zinc smelter and he believes that one will be built on Puget Sound in the near future, either by his people or some of the other zinc companies of the Missouri fields. There is a market for 5000 tons of zinc annually on the Pacific coast, at a price $1 a hundred better than New York prices, as all the zinc now being used on the coast is shipped west from New York and consequently has the freight added to the price.

A zinc smelter established in Seattle would bring immediate prosperity to the Slocan, as it would then be possible for many of the big mines to ship sufficient zinc to pay dividends, holding their heavy lead ore until the Trail-Hall-Everett-Selby combination got ready to pay what it was worth.

As it is, a new era has opened for the Slocan, and a market for zinc is now assured. Before leaving the camp Mr. Jones will undoubtedly close several contracts and a regular trade will very quickly be established between the Slocan mines and the gas belt smelters. The importance of this to the Slocan mines can scarcely be over-estimated. It means that a product heretofore considered valueless is now to be a great revenue producer, and mines which were hopeless losers on account of the zinc penalty will now become dividend payers. Owing to the long haul to Kansas and the consequent excessive freights it is to be expected that the price paid in the Slocan will not be large at the present time, but the fact that the trade is to be established is the main point. Freight rates will be adjusted sooner or later and zinc smelters will eventually be built nearer the source of supply. The zinc smelters afforded Leadville and Creede a new prosperity when these camps were hit hard by the low price of silver, and it now looks as tho the zinc market was going to afford the Slocan a relief from the depression caused by the low price paid for lead ore.

## MINING FLOAT.

Silver, 51⅞

Lead, £10, 17s, 6d.

There is work for more miners in Sandon.

Tom McGuigan returned yesterday from Spokane and will again take charge of the American Boy.

The Canyon City smelter, which handles zinc-lead ores, has made bids to Slocan companies for zinc ore during the past two weeks.

The ore shipments this week were as follows: American Boy 40, Sunset 20, Payne 20, Minnesota Silver Co. 19, Ruth 40, Antoine 20, Rambler 40, Bismark 20, Whitewater 40. Total 259 tons.

A small crew has been put to work on the Big Timber, on the Payne hill. M. R. W. Rathburn is in charge. Some surface work will be done to try to locate the Mercury ledge on the Big Timber ground. The property belongs to H. B. Alexander.

The Washington mine is closed down on account of trouble with the men. John L. Retallack sent up a Chinaman to do the cooking last Friday, whereupon the miners all came down the hill. Up to the hour of going to press the Chinaman has the mine to himself, as no men have yet been found who would go to work on the property.

### The Noble Five.

The crosscut on the Maude E. of the Noble Five group has struck the ledge and drifting is now being carried forward. There is a showing of six inches of clean ore, and shipping will be commenced as soon as the trail is fixed up. A new strike was recently made on the surface at the Deadman, 300 feet above the old tunnel. The Deadman ledge has been uncovered, showing two to four inches of 175 ounce ore, carrying 74 per cent lead. An open cut will be run and drifts started both ways.

James Dunsmuir leaves London for British Columbia on the 17th, and will visit the Slocan in the early part of October. New buildings will probably be arranged for at the Noble Five and plans made for the winter's operations during his visit here.

### Hurt at the Payne

William Hood fell off the office building at the Payne while working on the construction yesterday. At the time of going to press the extent of his injuries was unknown, but are not considered serious.

### Senator Templeman

Senator Templeman visited Kaslo yesterday and will be in town today. He will be met by a number of prominent mining men, and may be induced to stay over Sunday in town.

J. D. Giegerich returned last night from Halcyon and Camborne, the new gold camp of the Lardeau. He reports a miniature boom in the embryo gold camp.

## JOE DAVIS IN DAWSON

### He Has Found Noah s Ark and Balaam's Ass...Pinto Hash, the Angle Food of the Sour Doughs.

Writing from Dawson, Joe Davis says: Unless the immigration agents of the nether world have failed to properly portray the characteristics of that interesting retreat, there are worse places than hell—and you do not have to go south for them, either. I came to this conclusion after having worked 50 shifts at Circle City for $7 a day and board. You should have seen the board. There was embalmed beef of the '97 vintage, which had undoubtedly been dead longer before it was embalmed than since, and the mysterious Mulligan stew, with a few interesting side dishes that might be gophers or woodchucks or some other local production. But the staff of life in the Land of the Midnight Sun is a red and white hash, called pinto hash—contents unknown, but suspicious. This hash is invariably sour and it gives you a taste in your mouth like as tho a colored family had just moved out. But those old sour dough stiffs will sit around the grub pile and shovel that stuff into their internal anatomy with a heavenly smile as tho Delmonico's were some kind of a second class joint compared to the layout they patronized.

Did you hear that they had found Noah's ark in the Yukon country? The Indians report that they have found a big ship on the top of a mountain up on Koyukuk. I think the story is right because there are no liars in this country, and anyway I have made a remarkable archeological discovery. When I was up on Mastadon creek recently I noticed an old mule which bore all the appearance of great age. It rained a good deal this summer, and I always noticed that this ancient quadruped invariably went to the top of the highest hill when the downpour commenced and stayed there until it ceased, looking earnestly down into the gulches below. This peculiar conduct attracted my attention, and I took occasion to make a careful examination of the eccentric equine. I found that he was easily as old as he looked and looked as old as he was. On his left side, starting from about the ears, was an ancient brand. The original owner was evidently neither an artist nor a geometrical scholar, as he started right up near the forward end of the critter and then failed after all to get the whole of the brand on the starboard side, but had to kind of double around the stern and lay out a few extensions to the title just beyond the corner where the contour of his anatomy turns to go back. This brand had come out badly in its contest against time, but there were at least three letters to which I could give my affidavit. The first three letters unquestionably were B. A. L. There were some other letters and I am almost positive that among these was an M. and an A. I am satisfied that a literal interpretation of that ancient brand would read BALAAM'S ASS. It is my candid opinion that the Garden of Eden is somewhere around here, altho slightly disfigured by a change of climate, and I think that the physicial research societies should conduct an investigation. If you hear of an any scientists who want any exploring done tell them to send their money to me. I will guarantee to make any kind of a discovery they want, providing there is enuf in it. As an ancient city has already been photographed on Muir glacier and Noah's ark has been found on the Koyukuk, without price in either case, I think the scientific gents should have no difficulty in believing that I could unearth the Garden of Eden for them at a stipend of say $10,000 or $15,000. As I said before there are no liars on the Yukon.

Stampeding is the national pastime in these northern regions. Nels and I are partners. Nels works and I do the stampeding. I just got in yesterday from a stampede to Boucher creek, where I staked two claims on suspicion. If no other stampede intervenes I will go back soon and find out what they are worth. They may turn out to be producers, which would make it necessary for us to work them ourselves, but I am in hopes that they will be poor enuf so that we can unload them on some chechocka with a clear conscience. This particular stampede was a hot one. There were so many creeks to wade that the stampeders took their pants off aud carried them over their heads. We traveled 20 miles without any pants on, farther than I have ever traveled before in such a nude condition —except it was in a Pullman upper. The mosquitos were bad, which made things more or less interesting, but as the sway of Dawson's four hundred does not extend to the creeks we got thru our parade in undress uniform without losing our place in church circles.

Some day soon I will write you a longer and more interesting letter about life and adventures in the Yukon. At present let this be a warning to the boys not to hit the Yukon trail if they desire to see "Thy kingdom come upon earth." This country here is simply hell.

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## EDITORIAL OVERFLOW

NEW JERSEY, the home of trust, has a nine-hour law and laborers get 35 cents an hour.

IT is a poor day in Rossland when some scientific gent fails to show up with a new process.

A MORAL wave has struck the windy city. The Chicago ball player who shot a bartender and beat a policeman senseless, last week, has been dismissed from his place in the nine.

BIG BILL GALLIHER was elected as a free trade member of a tariff-reducing government. He now gratuitously pledges himself to work and vote for a tariff on lead. Bill is unwise in two places. He is giving the voters who returned him the double cross and he is favoring a proposition that will injure the country. If he were not a puddenhead he would see it that way.

TOM JOHNSTON, the single tax mayor of Cleveland, has started out to campaign the state of Ohio in proper hippodrome fashion. He carries a circus tent with seating capacity for 3500 people, a gang of canvas men, ten wagons and an automobile. If Johnston defeats the Hanna machine in Ohio he will be the democratic nominee for president in 1904, and will make free trade and single tax the national issues in United States.

CANADIAN smelters pay $1.30 a hundred for lead, which they sell in Montreal for $2.75 in pig, $5 in bars and $6 corroded. American smelters pay $3.50 a hundred for raw lead in the Coeur d' Alenes. Canadian smeltermen want a tariff of $1.50 a hundred to keep the American smeltermen from underselling them in Canada. If some of ths tariff agitators will please explain how the American smelters can buy lead for $3.50 in the Coeur d' Alenes and sell it for $2.75 in Montreal we will be much obliged.

IN 1901, with copper at 17 cents, Rossland mine managers permitted an eight months' strike which closed their mines down tight and deprived the shareholders of the benefit of the best copper market in 20 years. In 1902, with copper at 11 cents, these same managers are looking for processes to gst even on. Aluminum meets copper now at 16 cents, and copper can never again go above that price. Five years from now, if the discoveries of buxite and the cheapening of processes continue at the same ratio as in the past aluminium will meet copper at 12 cents, and the finish of the Rossland mines will be in sight. Every day lost in the strike last year and every day lost looking for processes this year, shortens the life of the Rossland mines to that extent. In their own conceit these Rossland mine managers are men of gigantic intellect, capable not only of running their own business, but also competent to dictate to the government how the country should be run; but the surface indications are that they are superficial fools. If they were wise men they would squeeze the water out of their stock, keep out of politics, avoid labor troubles, take advantage of the facilities at hand, and mine as hard and as fast as the Lord will let them.

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SANDON, SEPTEMBER 13, 1902.


THE PAYSTREAK does not frequently rise to remark on the inadequacy of the government's appropriations for roads, trails and bridges. The subject is much too hackneyed. But at the risk of being considered stereotyped, we must ejaculate.

The appropriation made for the Slocan district at the last session was so ridiculously small for this, the premier camp of the province, that notwithstanding that it has already been all laid out Sandon has yet to receive an intimation that any appropriation was made.

Considered as a camp, the Slocan is no kicker, and Sandon never was a kicking town, but in this particular it certainly has a holler coming. The circumstances are worth considering. Sandon mines produce more mineral wealth annually than those adjacent to any other mining town in British Columbia. While the Rossland and Boundary mine managers have been kicking like a phalanx of bay steers about the two per cent tax, Slocan mine owners have come down with the dust and gone right strait along. The hard times hit this camp dead center and the government lay down as helpless as a goose with the glanders, but the Slocan companies came up smiling with their two per cent, and went right strait along. Out of money collected in the Slocan the government made fat appropriations to North East Kootenay and Cassiar and Revelstoke and other divisions with vote-producing representatives and non-producing mines. But the Slocan never bucked.

Sandon has no board of trade with a mourner's bench to wail out its grievances. It does not subsidise correspondents to illustrate its sore spots in the coast dailies. It simply digs up and goes right straight along. But there is a limit to human and corporate endurance, and this limit has been overplayed.

This camp needs roads a little worse than any other in British Columbia. There is not an acre of level ground in the whole constituency, and a teamster who could drive his ore wagon a rod where there was no road could get a job with Buffalo Bill. Transportation without trails is the superlative of impossible. There are whole districts in the Slocan that are simply inaccessible for the lack of highways. Hundreds of good claims, capable of producing great wealth, are tied up completely because there are no roads. Up Cody and Carpenter creeks, above Cody, for instance, there are claims as promising as any in British Columbia, but they are not comeatable except with a flying machine. The existence of this great district has been completely ignored, while thousands have been flung into such camps as the Windermere and the Big Bend. We do not doubt that these other districts will eventually have some very nice mines, but that is not the point. At the present time they are nonproducers.

There is a worse phase of this case, however, than the facts above stated. It is this: The appropriation made by the last legislature for this district was $16,000. The government has taken the distribution of the patronage out of the hands of our member, but has not yet found a man to whom they are willing to entrust the expenditure. The gold commissioner is instructed to spend money for repairs only. According to the government policy no new work is to be done. After having made pretty nearly all the repairs the road inspector considers necessary, the gold commissioner still has $8000 on hand; but notwithstanding that there is plenty of new work which should be done immediately, this money is still withheld. If the money is not spent this year the appropriation will lapse on January 1st. All of which amounts to this, that the sum of $8000, which should be spent building roads around Sandon, will probably be allowed to lapse on account of the political differences between Robert F. Green and the Dunsmuir government.

The Lord helps those who help themselves and it is up to the people of Sandon to kick for a better arrangement. The Slocan is now an electoral district of itself and the man who represents Kaslo and Slocan now will represent Kaslo only in the next legislature. Slocan should no longer be a tail to Kaslo's kite. The people of the Slocan should use every reasonable effort to have a road inspector appointed for this district and they should see to it that he is a Sandon man. When this inspector is appointed they should see to it that he handles the appropriations in a fair and unbiased manner. They should place him in a position where he need not build trails for political purposes. They should make arrangements for him to put the money in where his best judgment dictates, without any outside influence or ulterior motives. Then they should give him carte blanche to go right strait along.

There is no danger of the government putting in any vast sums of money this year, altho God knows the camp needs the roads; but this is a matter in which the people of Sandon can make a move at present in order to secure the future. If a road inspector is appointed now the appropriations of next year will be in his hands.

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THE religion of the churches is rapidly becoming more sane. A New York preacher the other day declared that baptism was a fake, that no child could be sent to an everlasting hell by a God of love because his head had not been sprinkled by some ritualistic medicine man. This gospel shark is a little ahead of his time, but the report says that his audience applauded. At any rate his utterances show the direction of the theological drift. It is only a few short months ago that the Presbyterians gave up the infant damnation theory, and substituted therefore a doctrine less horrible and barbaric. There is a great evolution going on in the human conscience and the churches have to keep pace with the change or drop out of the game. The horrors of a brimstone hell are no longer paraded, the God of today is not the relentless avenging destroyer he was pictured to be fifty years ago, and the Puritanical dogmas, ritualisms and creeds which once held whole nations in slavery are now preached only by fakirs and fanatics. The church of today is a failure only in so far as it has gotten behind the times. The church is too conservative and its place has been usurped by the labor union and the fraternal society. But the church is awakening, and there is hope for it yet. One of these days a modern Luther will crop up who will scatter the fog and pessimism which envelopes the church. He will acknowledge that the church has no cinch on the next world. He will admit that it has yet to be proven that there is another world. He will defend no falsehoods and promote no fakes, but will simply tell his desciples to do what is right because it is right, without fear of punishment or hope of reward. He will preach that men are punished not for their sins, but by them, and he will declare to the world that there is no hell except in men's own hearts. His religion will be a religion of universal love and it will supplant the old fanaticism of sectarian hate. His following will be drawn from the millions of healthy-minded men who regard dogmatic theology as a curse to the human race.

If the mine owners of the Slocan permit the smelter interests to get a tariff placed on lead they will thereby weaken their chances of having the tariff cut down on mining machinery and supplies.

The mining industry in Canada does not want more protection; it wants less. No tariff can build up the lead mining industry as long as there is a surplus to ship. The lead miners will always get the foreign price for all they produce, and the foreign price is a free trade price. The only way to encourage the mining industry is to take the duty off mining supplies and thus put the production of lead on a free trade basis. By the present arrangement British Columbia mines are fined and salavated to build up a lot of artificial industries that are too sickly to stand on their own feet. Powder costs 16 cents a pound in Sandon and 8½ cents in the Coeur d'Alenes. Rails cost $22 in Chicago, but Slocan mines pay $65 a ton for them. There is no duty on railroad steel, altho there are rail factories in Canada. Nevertheless there is a duty of 35 per cent on mine rails, notwithstanding that there are none made in Canada. Sneider candles pay a duty of 25 per cent, which makes them cost $4.66 a box laid down here. There are no Canadian candles sold in the Slocan. Ore sacks pay a duty of 25 per cent. Ninety per cent of the sacks used in this camp come direct from Calcutta. The biggest sack company in Canada was offered an order of 20,000 sacks by a Slocan mine last fall. The company was ready to accept the order if they could have a year to fill it. So it goes all down the line. Canadian concerns do not manufacture the goods to suit the market and evidently do not want the market anyway. Yet the cost of mining is run up at least 20 per cent just to satisfy an old eastern superstition that this is protecting home industry.

This home industry fable is the most utter rot that could possibly be preached. One good mine pays more wages, and more taxes, adds more to the wealth of the country and is a surer source of income than a dozen sack factories, or powder works or candle shops. Imagine the stupidity of fining the mines 7½ cents a pound on all the powder they use in order to protect home industry. It is a safe bet that there are not twenty men in the whole Dominion employed in the production of mining explosives; yet the whole mining industry is taxed on the theory that such taxation builds up the country. And to make matters worse, the greater part of the powder used in mining is imported, notwithstanding the duty. The same is true of all other supplies.

It is about time for the Kootenay to rise up and make a protest against such conditions. This country is being taxed to death to build up the manufacturers of the dollar grasping east. A man cannot buy a pair of overalls in this country without paying a tax on them. Now the smelters have joined in a crusade to get a tariff placed on lead, and newspapers and boards of trade all over the country are helping them out. This tariff cannot possibly benefit the mining industry and will certainly injure it. And if the tariff is levied on lead the granger members will be perfectly consistent and justified in refusing to cut down the tariff on articles used in the production of lead ore. The mine owners of the Slocan will prove themselves the sleepiest lot of chumps this far north if they permit this duty to be placed on lead without making the most violent kind of a protest against it.

The American Mining Association, in session at Butte, is starting a crusade for a department of mines with a cabinet minister in the United States government.


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Let us find our chiefest pleasure
Hoarding bounties of today,
So the poor shall have scant measure,
And two prices have to pay.

Yes, we'll reservoir the rivers,
And we'll levy on the lakes,
And we'll lay a trifling poll tax
On each poor man who partakes;
We'll brand his number on him
That he'll carry thru his life,
We'll apprentice all his children,
Get a mortgage on his wife.

We will capture e'en the wind-god,
And confine him in a cave,
And then, thru our patent process
We the atmosphere will save;
Thus we'll squeeze our little brother
When he tries his lungs to fill,
Put a meter on his wind-pipe,
And present our little bill.

We will syndicate the starlight,
And monopolice the moon!
Claim a loyalty on rest days,
A proprietary noon;
For right of way thru ocean's spray
We'll charge just what it's worth;
We'll drive our stakes around the lakes—
In fact, we'll own the earth.

### Unanswerable Questions of the Single Tax.

Does not the present system of taxation encourage speculators to hold land idle?

Is it wise to tax factories and their products, when the consnmer pays the tax with interest added?

Is it right or just to tax the man who improves his land more than the man who does not improve it?

If we fine a man only once for robbing a hen roost why should we fine a man every year for building a house?

If the value of land is produced by the community why should that value go into the private pockets? Is it just?

Why not collect our water tax in the general levy and thus make land speculators pay for water which increases the price of their land?

Why tax our necessaries (ourselves) when our commercial income—ground rents—(now absorbed by landlords) is more than ample for public revenue?

Is it right or just to tax ourselves to defray the cost of public improvements which put money into the pockets of land and franchise speculators only?

### One Preacher Who Is Sane

Rev. Dr. S. MacArthur, at the one hundredth meeting of the "Evangel Tent" at New York last Sunday, assailed the doctrine of baptism in vigorous terms, and his utterances were applauded wildly. The scene was striking. He said: "Baptism never saved a human soul. The doctrine of baptismal regeneration is both unreasonable and unscriptural. This doctrine is heathenish, pure and simple. The idea that God would forever condemn an innocent babe because some one had not put a few drops of water on its head and face makes God a tyrant and a monster and a demon. Rather than believe in such a God I will be an avowed infidel. This doctrine of baptismal of regeneration makes the minister of religion a worker of magic, a fakir, a performer of miracles. Such teaching is a violation of all sound reason and true scripture teachings."

### What's the Difference?

The fugitive slave law made it a crime to harbor a slave fleeing from chattel slavery. A white judge in a democratic state, West Virginia, now says it is a crime to aid white miners striking against industrial slavery!

### Quite Correct

"Who makes the laws, father?" "Our legislators, my son." "Well, then, what are lawyers for?" "They are created, my boy, to explain to legislators the meaning of their laws."

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JOHN HAY.

Wall, no, I can't tell whar he lives,
Because he don't live, you see;
Leastways, he's got out of the habit
Of livin' like you and me.
Whar have you been for the last three years
That you haven't heard folk tell
How Jim Bludson passed in his checks
The night of the Prairie Belle?

He weren't no saint—them engineers
Is pretty much all alike—
One wife in Natchez under the Hill
And another one here in Pike;
A keerless man in his talk was Jim,
And an awkward man in a row,
But he never flunked and he never lied—
I reckon he never knowed how.

And this was all the religion he had;
To treat his engine well,
Never be passed on the river;
To mind the pilot's bell;
And if ever the Prairie Belle took fire—
A thousand times he swore
He'd hold her nozzle agin the bank
Till the last soul got ashore.

All boats have their day on the Missisip,
And her day came at last—
The Movaster was a better boat,
But the Belle she wouldn't be passed,
And so she came tearing along that night
The oldest craft on the line—
With a nigger squat on her safety valve,
And her furnace crammed rosin and pine.

The fire bust out as she cleared the bar,
And burnt a hole in the night,
And quick as a flash she turned and made
For the willer bank on the right.
There was runnin' and cussin', but Jim yelled out,
Over all the infernal roar:
"I'll hold her nozzle agin the bank
Till the last galoot's ashore."

Thru the hot black breath of the burning boat
Jim Bludson's voice was heard,
And they all had trust in his cussednes,,
And knowed he would keep his word.
And sure's your born, they all got off
Afore the smoke stack fell—
And Bludson's ghost went up alone
In the smoke of the Prairie Belle.

He weren't no saint—but at judgment
I'd run my chance with Jim
'Longside of some pious gentlemen
That wouldn't shook hands with him.
He seen his duty a dead sure thing,
And went for it thar an' then;
An' Christ ain't goin' to be too hard
On a man that died for men.

### Too Bad for Them

"Great brimstone!" howled his Satanic Majesty.

"What is it?" and the minor demons trembled.

"Here comes Tracy with the ghost of his 30-30 Winchester!"

"——!!!——!!!!——!!!!"

The ensuing scene beggars description. His Satanic Majesty crawled into a red-hot bomb-proof safe and the population of hell fled to the hills to wait for the dread apparition to pass by.

### A Different View

"I never like to go to the theater with Fred. He always goes out between the acts." "You mean he comes in between the drinks."

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## Provincial Tax Sale Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that all property of every description, in the Slocan Assessment District, upon which there were taxes in arrears, and remaining unpaid, and due the Provincial Government on the 31st day of December, 1901. will be advertised for sale for the same after the 20th day of September, 1902. All persons in arrears for personal property or income tax will be distrained upon.

This is the final notice and costs of the sale or distrangement can be saved by paying the said arrears at the Government Office at Kaslo, B. C., before the above last named date.

E. E. CHIPMAN.
Assessor and Collector.

## Certificate of Improvements.

CROSS ROADS MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District Where located. On Washington wagon road, about three miles from McGuigan.

TAKE NOTICE that I, David Stevenson Wallbridge, acting as agent for S. K. Green, Free Miner s Certificate No. B51461, and J. W. Power, Free Miner's Certificate No. B50047, 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 18th day of July, A. D. 1902.

jy25-02 D. S. WALLBRIDGE.

## NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNER OF THE O.K. NO. 2 MINERAL CLAIM.

To C. S. Falls or any person or persons to whom he may have assigned his interest in the O. K. No. 2 Mineral Claim, situated on Seaton creek, and about two miles from Three Forks, and recorded in the Recorder's Office for the Slocan Mining Division.

You are hereby notified that we, the undersigned, James Lowdon, Gust Johnson and Margaret McCuaig, have caused to be expended four hundred and ten dollars in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if within ninety days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in said claim shall become the property of the subscribers under section IV. of an act entitled, "An Act to Amend the Mineral Act, 1900."

JAMES LOWDON
GUST JOHNSON
MARGARET McQUAIG

Dated at Sandon this 25th day of July, 1902.

## NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNER OF THE RELIANCE MINERAL CLAIM.

To Arthur Mullen or any person or persons to whom he may have assigned his interest in the Reliance Mineral claim, situated one mile and a half from Three Forks, adjoining the Hinkley Mineral claim and recorded in the Recorder's office for the Slocan Mining Division.

You are hereby notified that I, John Foster, have caused to be expended one hundred and two dollars and fifty cents in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if within ninety days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expediture, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in said claim will become the property of the subscribers under section IV. of an act entitled "An Act to Amend the Mineral Act, 1900."

JOHN FOSTER.

Dated at Sandon this 19th day of June, 1902.

## NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that I, the undersigned have disposed of all my interest in the Coin Mining Company, and do not hold myself responsible for any accounts against the company. All liabilities have been assumed by the present owners.

JOHN D. CAMPBELL.

Dated at Sandon this 27th day of August, 1902.

## FOR SALE

5000 SHARES (of $1 each) fully paid up stock in the Similkameen Valley Coal Company, at 8 cents each. In lots of 100 shares or more. This is not pooled stock, and the certificates will be delivered on receipt of remittance. If you want to buy or sell stock of any kind write us.

E. B. McDERMID,
Chartered Accountant, Nelson, B.C.

## NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the under signed under the firm name of the Coin Mining & Development Company has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

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### This Is All Bill Gets for His $20

Sandon Mining Review.

Mr. W. H. Yawkey went up to the Ivanhoe mine on Thursday and went thru the workings. He left for his home in Detroit next day, well pleased with the operations.

### The Kootenaian's New Editor

John Keen is writing the editorial on the Kootenaian. John's ideas of economics are widely divergent from those preached by The Paystreak and consequently must be wrong, but he has the saving grace of being able to say what he means, which is more than anybody else on the Kootenaian has ever been able to do.

### The Big Feed

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will serve a grand New England supper in Pitts' store, on Saturday, September 20, 1902, from 5 to 8 p.m. There will be an abundant supply of baked beans, meats, all kinds of pies, cakes, salads and all other first-class delicacies. Come early and avoid the rush. Tickets 50 cents. Children under 10 years of age, half price.

### Miners' Union Officers

The following officers were elected last Saturday by the Miners' Union: President, John Manning; vice-president, Thomas Fox; financial secretary, A. Shilland; treasurer, James V. Martin; recording secretary, M. S. Caine; conductor, J. H. McNeill; warden, David Keir; finance committee, C. E. Lyons, M. S. Caine, and Con Stewart.

Talk about quick action. E. R. Atherton advertised a slaughter in Mackinaws in last week's Paystreak and sold half his stock before sunset. Printers' ink and bargains make a combination that usually take the money.

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Saturday evening, between Sandon and the Payne tram, on wagon road, a Silver Watch. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning same to MACDONALD & ROSS' store, or THE PAYSTREAK office.


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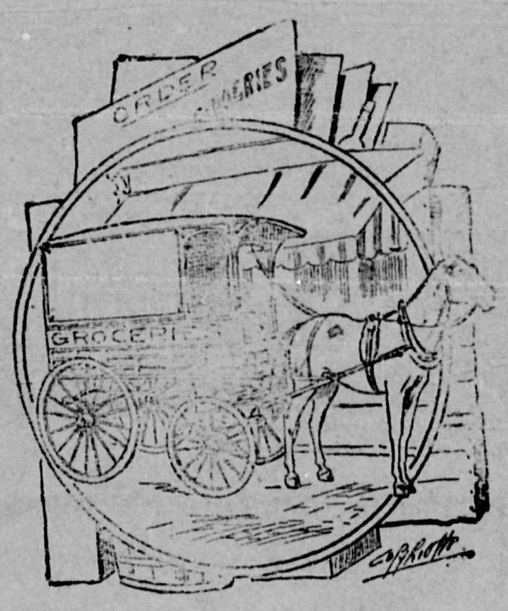


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