THE PAYSTREAK.

BOOK V. SANDON, MARCH 2 1901. CHAPTER 22

HAPPENINGS IN BRIEF.

Jas. Vallance spent yesterday in New Denver.

The election of officers by the Whitewater Miners' Union takes place tonight.

The band gave an open air concert on Thursday evening, the first of the season.

John R. Burton has moved his residence across the creek to face Reco Avenue.

Walmsley & Bennett have added a pool table to the attractions of the Filbert Hotel.

Andrew Grierson has given up house keeping. His ,Cody Avenue residence is now vacant.

A kinetiscope company will show in the Union hall this evening. War pictures is their specialty.

The advertising matter for the Miners' Hospital ball is out. The ball takes place on the 18th of March.

The Spokane Falls & Northern has been tied up for several days by snowslides and other incidental obstructions.

J. A. McVichie left on Thursday morning for Collingwood, Ont., having received word that his mother was dangerously ill.

The big slide at the lower city limits came down on Thursday. It scared several of the residents of that vicinity but no one was injured.

A small slide near Tattrie's milk ranch carried out a piece of the Star flume on Thursday and the electric light plant is consequently short of water.

The eight hour mining law has passed its second reading in the British House of Commons by 212 to 199. It is similar to the British Columbia law.

The soft weather of the past few days has put the skating rink out of business, and unless another cold spell hits these parts hockey will soon become a lost art.

"Bull" Chisholm who officiated as teamster for E. A. Cameron last summer was among the crowd who broke jail at Nelson a few days ago. The Nelson jail is easy.

H. B. Alexander is now on his way to England, intending to remain there until May. Two days after he left Sandon a cable was received that his mother had died at his home in the Old Country.

Elmer Hall returned from Montreal on Thursday where he has been attending the mining department of the McGill college. He will spend a few weeks in Sandon before deciding where he will open an assay office.

An exchange thinks that courting a girl is like starting a newspaper. It starts out weekly, then becomes a triweekly, then emerges into a daily, and if it has any enterprise and stick-to-itiveness about it, it comes out with an extra about once a year.

Al Howarth, formerly of the Palace Cafe, and M. H. Dobie, who has been a resident of Sandon for some time, went to Nelson to join the Baden-Powell police force to do duty in South Africa. Howarth was turned down by the recruiting sargeant but Dobie was enlisted.

W. E. Prager, who was with the Bank of B. C. staff in Sandon and has since been with that institution in Nelson, is now in Kamloops on his way to Atlin. He will employ his financial talent in furthering the interests of the Atlin branch of the Bank of Commerce.

John Buckley has been spending the week in town after having put in a month on his Wellington Camp properties in the Boundary country. His property adjoins the Athelstane and carries lead ore, being the only galena proposition in the camp. He has a shaft down 30 feet and brot back some handsome samples taken from the bottom of the workings. He will spend the summer developing the claims.

Freight rates from Neslon to Sandon have been reduced on the C. P. R. and K. & S. First Class freight formerly 66 cents a hundred is now carried for 50 cents, second class, formerly 55 cents is reduced to 45 cents and third class from 44 cents to 40 cents. Under the new rating it is cheaper to ship from Nelson to Sandon than from Nelson to Slocan lake points and via the K. & S. rates from Kaslo to Sandon are the same as from Nelson to Sandon.

The curlers who went from here last Friday to play in Kaslo and Nelson just broke even on the game. In the total aggregate the Sandon curlers made exactly as many points as were scored against them. In Kaslo Wilson's rink beat Buchanan's by 18 to 8 and Hood's defeated Waugh by 16 to 9, recording two victories for Sandon. In Nelson Grimmett skipped a game against Wallace which resulted in 9 to 8 for the Sandon rink and Crawford lost to Forin by 8 to 10. On Saturday evening Wilson beat Tamblyn and Crawford lost to McLeod.

Hurra for Annexation.

Frank Kelly and Joe Sells returned from Spokane on Tuesday. While in United States Mr. Kelly started an agitation to have the international boundary moved south to the Snake River. He argues that this is the logical solution of the smelter problem, as the Coeur d'Alenes, the greatest lead producing camp of the United States would then be in British Columbia and the lead smelting industry of America would naturally centre itself in the Canadian city of Spokane. The 17th of March, Mr. Kelly observes, would be the most propitious date on which to make the change. No sensible American would object to being annexed by Canada and on St. Patrick's day the Irish element would be so preoccupied that the Ultra-American Hibernians would not have time to notice what was taking place until the change had been made. The scheme is one worthy of its originator. The union jack would look well on the Spokane city hall.

SLOCAN MINES.

Becker & Caldwell have suspended operations on the Dayton group, near Cody.

J. M. Donnelley reports that there is every evidence that the tunnel on the Urban company's property is now close to the ledge. He expects to tap the ledge in the next 10 feet.

Sixteen men are working at the Reco. The trail is in bad shape and no ore is being rawhided. There is more ore in sight in the mine than ever before in the history of the property.

F. L. Christie will represent A. D. Copeland in the Joker and Cody Fraction case when it comes before the King's Bench in England. This case has been carried through every court in British Columbia and finally appealed to the Privy Council.

Prospectors holding property in the Lardeau country are jubilant over the propects for the coming season. The railroad will make a boom camp of that section and many prospectors who have spent several years waiting for transportation will now have an opportunity to realize on their properties.

The Victoria Colonist makes Bob Green state that the Slocan lead mines produce 500 tons of ore a day. Bob must have hit the pipe or the Colonist man is badly mixed in his data. An output of 500 tons a day would total 182,500 tons a year. The actual output of the Slocan has never exceeded 40,000 tons in any one year.

The Marino vs. Alexander case, which took up four days time at the Supreme court in Nelson, resulted in a verdict for Alexander. Marino endeavored to recover $2500 for work done on the Marion claim, near New Denver, in which he and Geo. Alexander were co-owners. The case was dismissed with costs, which will be heavy.

An application was granted by the supreme court at Nelson on Wednesday for the winding up of the Florida Mining Company. This company owns the Florida and Erin claims, close to the Jackson mines, which claims are considered valuable. Several cars of high grade ore were shipped from the Florida last summer but mismanagement ruined the company which will now go into the hands of a receiver.

Star Mill Will be Reopened.

The Byron N. White company will reopen the Slocan Star mill on the 1st of April. There are now 60 men employed at mine but when the mill is in operation this number will probably be doubled.

Judgment Reserved.

In the Harris vs. Pitts case which came up in the supreme court at Nelson on Thursday judgmene was reserved. The case arises out of Mayor Pitts building his store partly on the street. Several witnesses from Sandon were present at the trial.

No Lay Off at the Payne.

A report gained circulation on Thursday that the force at the Payne was to be cut down by laying off 50 men. When asked about the matter yesterday Superintendent Zwickey stated that there was no foundation whatever in the report. A few men had quit and half a dozen or so had been let out during the last two or three days, but there was no disposition on the part of the company to cut down the force. There are 75 men on the payroll. The Payne ore is being sold to the Trail smelter and no difficulty is experienced in disposing of it.

The Week's Ore Shipments.

FROM SANDON OVER THE C. P. R:	
Payne	54 tons
Ivanhoe	61 tons
Slocan Star	60 tons
FROM SANDON OVER THE K. & S.	
Last Chance	35 tons
American Boy	21 tons
Ruth	64 tons
Payne	6 tons
FROM THREE FORKS.	
Idaho	83 tons
Monitor	145 tons
Corinth	40 tons

The Snowslide Route.

Traffic has been blocked on the K. & S. for the last two days on account of the beautiful and musical snowslide The express failed to get thru on Thursday on account of some slides near McGuigan but made Kaslo on the return trip and started out yesterday morning with the rotary. When last heard from the rotary was busy with the Twelve Mile slide, which is the worst on the road as it is usually full of timber.

Yesterday a gang of 35 men were put to work clearing out the slides near Sandon and had the track free nearly to McGuigan last night.

Give Us Water & Light.

Spring is rapidly approaching and the beautiful snow will soon be wiped from the face of nature to be replaced by a voluptuous strata of mud and slush. The city is still without street lights and the prospect of wallowing thru sloppiness for another rainy season is not a very, joyful one. The city is also without adequate fire protection and when the snow disappears the danger from fire will be much greater. The city council should make some kind of a deal for water and light without delay.

E. M. Sandilands, H. H. Pitts and Wm. Stubbs, who were in Nelson on the Harris vs. Pitts case, returned last night.

RUSSELL SAGE.

Sees a Menace in the Huge Railway Combines.

Russel Sage, the veteran financier, whose whole life has been devoted to the accumulation of wealth, and who probably commands more ready cash than any man in America except John D. Rockefeller, sees grave danger in the great combinations of capital that are gradually placing the entire railroad systems of the country in the hands of less than a dozen men who work together.

"Such combinations of concentrated capital," said Mr. Sage, "are sooner or later sure to arouse the people. And the people once aroused are more powerful than this combination or any one that might be formed.

"It is right and proper that the capitalist who invests his money in railroads or other great enterprises should be assured a reasonable and fair return; it is right that agreement not to cut rates below a fair profit-making figure, should be entered into, but this should be done in convention, by meetings, by agreements.

"You will find that in the end these big deals will arouse the people and thru them the legislatures, and that retaliatory measures will be incited in congress.

"Public opinion will force the law makers to act some day, perhaps not far distant."

Hockey in Kaslo.

The Sandon hockey team went over to Kaslo on Monday afternoon and did the stick handlers of that city up by the decisive score of six to one. The ice was very heavy and the game was marked by no notable feature except that it demonstrated that Kaslo boys cannot play hockey, altho it is rumored that they are good entertainers.

Death on the Rail.

Walter Beaton met a sudden death at Bear Lake on Friday evening last by falling under the K. & S. express. He stood on a snow bank close to the track to hand a letter to the engineer as the train was passing, and after the engine had passed him turned to leave when he slipped and rolled down the bank and under the wheels of the passenger coach. His head was terribly crushed and death was instantaneous.

Walter Beaton had been in the Slocan country for four years, spending a good deal of his time in Sandon. He had been at Bear Lake for several weeks previous to his demise getting out ice for Sandon and Kaslo dealers. He had relatives in Nelson who conducted his funeral to the Kaslo cemetery on Monday.

ROOMS TO RENT.

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Newmarket Hotel.

The cuisine supplied assays high. The bedrooms are large, airy and luxuriously furnished. The other accomodations are unexcelled in the Slocan, and the brands of bottled comforters kept in stock are health-giving and soul-inspiring when taken in proper quantities. The proprietor's name is

Henry Stege.

NOTICE.

DAVID MCNICOLL and Thomas Tait of Montreal and Harry Abbot and Geo. McL. Brown, of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, Esquires, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next Session for an act incorporating a Company under the name of the KOOTENAY AND ARROWHEAD RAILWAY COMPANY, with power to construct or acquire and to operate a railway from a point at or near Arrowhead, on Arrow Lake, Kootenay district, British Columbia. thence by the most direct and feasible route via Trout Lake or Duncan River to some point at the north end of Kootenay Lake in said district and branch lines, with power to own and operate telephone and telegraph lines, ropeways and tramways, warehouses, steam and other vessels, ferries, mines, smelters, timber lands, wharves, roads, docks, saw mills, water rights, dams, flumes, water power, to generate and transmit and deal in electricity and electric power, together with powers assuch to maintaining and operating or disposing of its railway and works, and such other powers and privileges as are usually given to Railway Companies incorporated by the Parliament of Canada, and for other purposes.

J. E. MCMULLEN,
Solicitor for Applicants.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

OGEMA MINERAL CLAIM.

Situated in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay. Where located: In Ruby Silver Basid, adjoining Silver Cord on the north.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Chas. Moore, of Kaslo, acting as agent of W. J. Trethewey, Free Miner's Certificate No. 44,802, intend sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1900.

CHAS. MOORE.

NOTICE.

The Columbia and Kootenay Railway and Navigation Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next Session for an Act extending the time within which it may construct its railways and works, also authorizing the Company to own and operate steam and other vessels for the carriage of freight and passengers on any route connected with any of its railways and appinting Montreal as the place for its head office with power to the Directors from time to time to change it By-law and for other purposes,

J. D. TOWNLEY,
Secretary.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

CLIFF EXTENSION MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On west side of Standard gulch, near Four Mile Creek.

TAKE NOTICE that I, M. R. W. Rathborne Free Miner's License No. B39087, as agent for myself and as agent for H. B. Alexander, Free Miner's License No. B39092, 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 17th day of December, A. D., 1900.

M. R. W. RATHBORNE.

Certificate of Improvements.

MILLER CREEK FRACTION MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Miller Creek, about two miles from Sandon.

TAKE NOTICE that I, M. L. Grimmett, acting as agent for E. L. Warner Free Miner' Certificate No. B39,016, 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 suce Certificate of Improvemts.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1900.

M. L. Grimmett

Certificate of Improvements.

L, D. FRACTIONAL AND LEGAL FRACTIONAL MINERAL CLAIMS

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Noble Five Mountain, in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

TAKE NOTICE that I, A. B Docksteader, Free Miners' Certificate No. B39003, as agent for James Wilson, Free Miners, Certificate No B36143, Lewis S. Thoms, Free Miners' Certificate No B44725, Caleb A. Freeman, Free Minors' Certificate No. B27271, William D. Mackay, Free Miner's Certificate No. B27098, 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.

A. B. DOCKSTADER.

Dated this tenth day of November, A.D., 1900

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

SANDON CHIEF MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 1½ miles from Sandon, B. C., in a North-Westerly direction, adjoining the Elkhorn.

TAKE NOTICE that I, E. M. Sandilands Free Miner's Certificate No. B39089 Issued at Sandon May 30th, 1900, acting as agent for H. A. Barton, Free Miners' Certificate No 84463, 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-Sixth day of November 1900

E. M. SANDILANDS.

NOTICE.

To Delinquent Co-Owners.

TO PETER SWANSON, or to any person or persons to whom he may have transferred his interest in the King Oscar mineral claim, at Bear Lake, and recorded in the Recorder's office for the Slocan Mining Division

You are hereby notified that I have expended One Hundred Dollars in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim, in order to hold said 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 will become the property of the subscriber under Section 4 of an Act entitled, "An Act to Amend the Mineral Act 1900."

JOHN EMDAL.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1900.

NOTICE.

The Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next Session for a Act extending the time within which it may construct its Railways, and appointing Montreal as the place for its head office with power to the Directors from time to time to change it by By-law, and for other purposes.

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THE WATCHER.

The night was dark and fearful,
The blast swept wailing by ;
A watcher pale and tearful,
Looked forth with anxious eye ;
How wistfully she gazes—
No gleam of morn is there ;
And then her heart upraises
Its agony of prayer.

Within that dwelling lonely,
Where want and darkness reign,
Her precious child, her only,
Lay moaning in his pain ;
And death alone can free him—
She felt that this must be :
"But, oh ! for morn to see him
Smile once again on me !"

An hundred lights are glancing
In yonder mansion fair,
And merry feet are dancing—
They heed not morning there.
Oh, young and lowly creatures,
One lamp from out your store
Would give that poor boy's features
To her fond gave once more !

The morning sun is shining—
She heedeth not its ray ;
Beside her dead reclining
That pale dead mother lay !
A smile her lip was wreathing,
A smile of hope and love,
As tho she still were breathing—
"There is light for us above !"

—Sarah Josepha Dale.

Sounds of Martial Music.

Cardinal Gibbons, Baltimore :

"When we read of a great military campaign, our imagination revels in the contemplation of the heroic achievements of famous generals. We listen with rapture to the clash of arms, the shouts of the victors, and the sounds of martial music. We seem to catch the spirit of enthusiasm by which the combatants were animated.

"But we take no note of the shrieks and agonies of the soldiers weltering in their blood on the battle field. We have no thot of the sick and wounded lying in hospitals and prisons. We are unmindful of sorrowing wives and mothers at home weeping and sighing for the loved ones far away. We do not picture to ourselves the homes made desolate, the Rachels bewailing their children, and would not be comforted because they are not.

"Is it not a mockery of justice and a scandal to the pagan world to see two Christian nations cutting each other's throats in the name of Christian civilization ?

"Is it not an outrage to contemplate one nation forcing by the sword her laws, her government, and political institutions on another nation, in the interests of trade and commerce, as if merchandise and dollars and cents were of more value than human lives ? Is it not monstrous to see a strong power invading a weak one, and seizing her territories on the hypocritical plea of rectifying her boundaries ? This rectification of boundaries is a very old practice, and is a polite name for robbery on a large scale."

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A Word to the People of Sandon and Vicinity.

Having taken stock and cleaned up generally, we find in our several departments a surplus, such as Shoes, Underwear, Dress Goods and Men's Clothing. To those who delight in obtaining bargains and good values for fine new up-to-date goods a visit to the store will amply repay them. In our

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The Sunset a Shipper.

The initial shipment from the Sunset property, Whitewater, was made to the Hall Mines smelter this week. This properiy, which adjoins the Wellington, is being developed by the Goderham-Blackstock syndicate. W. H. Jeffrey is consulting engineer. Two parallel veins are being worked, one thru the old Wellington tunnel and the other thru a crosscut driven by the Sunset company last summer. The showing on the property is a very encouraging one.

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THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY charged $6 a ton for hauling ore from Moyie to Creston, a distance of 42 miles. From Creston to Great Falls, a distance of 550 miles, the Great Northern assessed the shippers $5 a ton. From Kimberley to Creston the C. P. R. got to the mine owners for $7.50 a ton, while the Great Northern and allied lines got $6 out of them for toting it 1200 miles to Omaha. President Hill asked President Shaughnessy to cut up. Shaughnessy said no, and Hill refused to lift East Kootenay ore at Creston until his road got a bigger percentage of the rake-off. Hill also used his drag with the American smelter combine to the extent of having that concern handle any British Columbia ore, hoping by this boycott to inconvenience the Canadian railway. This is the smelter question in as few words as it can be recited.

What the altercation between these great corporations may lead to is a guess that the wisest railroad man would hesitate to answer. Already a hundred and one side issues have been introduced and the quarrel is spreading. Politicians and newspapers have taken sides. For the granting or refusal of charters the support of public opinion is being sought. Governments will be influenced and corrupted. Financial operations great and small will hinge on the outcome of the struggle, and the money markets of the world may may see some lightning changes and staggering feats of finance. The great Canadian railway, for which this country has paid so dearly in land and money, may be absorbed by the monopoly which now controls the transportation business of the United States. Or Canada may arouse herself in time to take over the railroads and save to the commonwealth the profits of transportation.

But thru it all there is one point that shines out clearly; that is the helplessness of the individual. Mine owners in the Slocan who have spent thousands and hundreds of thousands in the development of their properties are as completely at the mercy of one or another of these great corporations as the Dago or the Jap on the section gang. The experience of the past few days proves that the laborer and capitalist alike live only by sufferance. Should the directors of these great railway combines so decree they could shut up this camp as tight as a drum. Every ton of ore produced is made to pay its toll and no one escapes the exactions of the monopoly.

And the power of these kings of finance is not limited to isolated camps like the Slocan. Should the six men who head the famous "community of interests" aggregation so decree, New York or San Francisco, Chicago or New Orleans could be made to disappear from the map as completely as Atlantis of the ancients. There is no resisting their power. They have it in their hands to make, break or set up in business any individual, company, combine or community on which they choose to visit their patronage or displeasure. No city is great enuf and no man is rich enuf to withstand the disaster that would follow a discrimination in freight rates. Laws, and interstate commissions are deadletters in the category of the combines and the great arteries of traffic are drained or glutted as it suits their purpose.

What will be the outcome? Less than twenty thousand people own half the wealth of North America today. More than twenty million are slaves. No clank of chains is heard, but the ownership is apparent in the centralization of wealth and the bondage is there. Men are free to travel to and fro, but not to toil. "Who owns my bread owns me." The tendencies of the soul cannot withstand the clamorings of the stomach. The billion dollar steel trust owns its 400,000 employees as completely as men were ever owned, for it owns their bread. Will the people recognize in this the possibilities of co-operation? Will the histories of the future record Hill, Morgan and Rockefeller as the geniuses who brot order out of chaos? Will the private monopoly of the present evolve itself into the public monopoly of the future? Will the wastefulness of competition be displaced by the economies of co-operation? Or will the twentieth century see civilization dissolved in a reign of anarchy? Will New York meet the fate of Rome and the bloody drama of the Commune be repeated in the streets of Chicogo? Will the revolution be one of ballots or bullets?

WHILE the Ottawa government is in the commission business it might give its proposed railway commission a tip to look after the K. & S. Passengers over this line are held up for $2.05 for being jolted 29 miles to Kaslo, which is an average extortion of 7 cents a mile. Connections both ways are about as inconvenient as possible, and if a worse service is furnished by any other line in America that particular line has not been properly advertised, as, up to the hour of going to press, we have heard nothing of it. The mail service is also a monument to the inability of the postal officials and the K. & S. management. With common-sense connections mail leaving Spokane at 6 a. m. could be laid down in Sandon at 7 p. m. With the arrangement under which it is handled at present it takes thirty-six hours to get mail from Spokane. The only way that the postal officials could furnish a much slower service from Spokane to Sandon is to ship the mail around the Horn.

THE storm clouds of another labor struggle are gathering in Rossland. For many months past the managements of the War Eagle, Centre Star and Le Roi properties have been quietly letting out Canadian and American miners and filling their places with Italians. These Italians are brot from the iron ranges of Minnesota and reach British Columbia under an agreement for which it is impossible to prosecute the companies under the alien labor law. They are a very illiterate class and few of them can talk English. As they live on the Dago plan they are of no profit to the community and Rossland merchants resent their presence in the camp as it can lead to nothing but a ruination of their business. Labor men have been slow to assert themselves, hoping to gather the Italians into the unions, but last week the matter took a serious turn when the superintendents of the War Eagle and Le Roi posted notices ordering the walking delegates of the miners' union to keep off the properties. This order is a direct breach of the agreement which was made between the miners and the mine owners at the time of the threatened strike, about eighteen months ago, and it may lead to hostilities.

THE snowslide season is about due in the Slocan, and we may expect any day to hear of some unfortunate miner rushed to kingdom come by the avalanch route. There is never a spring time when the snowslide does not catch its victims, but there is not sufficient caution observed. There are properties working in this camp that are in such dangerous proximity to the course of slides that it seems criminal to allow men to stay there at this time of the year. These claims should be shut down for a while to make way for the spring rush. The ore will not contract and the operators should respect the prior right of the snowslide.

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The Modern Fable of the Low-Down Expert on the Subject of Babies.

Once there was a mean man who became weary of having young parents brag about their offspring. He knew that each couple thot that its own particular cherub was the most precious one that ever occured and had every other young one beaten at least a block. But he did not care to hear about it so he delved into libraries and read all the known works on the subject of babies, and when he had finished he was loaded and primed for any cocky yound parent.

When a grinning and enthusiastic papa tackled him in the street and took up his time with a story of how little Robbie, only seven months old, could say "moo," like a cow, then this ornery cynic would pull out his little book and cite the case of a child in Lynn, Massachusetts, who, at the age of five weeks, could imitate a cow and bat his eyes intelligently when asked, "where's horsey?" and say "dada" whenever the male parent came into the room. He showed a little table of statistics indicating that the average age at which infants begin the "moo" speciality is about five months, so that Robbie was really somewhat backward and someone ot to advise him to smoke up.

One day a mother cornered him and exhibited her first and only izzy-wizzy and asked him if he had ever seen a child of that age with such a full head of hair. If he had been the ordinary, polite hypocrite, he would have expressed amazement and delight at the growth, but he was a moral hero with a mission to perform, so he let her know about a baby in Michigan that had to have its hair braided in three long queues at the age of three weeks. After that the mother never spoke to him again.

He could prove by Huxley that the grunting sounds and the facial grimaces were not indications of an early intelligence bestiring itself, but were caused by wind on the tummy,

In company one evening a beaming papa and mamma were handing a squashy one around from one guest to another and listening to the heartfelt declarations of rapture. They called the mean man's attention to the fact that the darling was willing to go to any stranger, and asked him if he did not consider it unprecedented. By way of reply he brought out some notes from scientific works, proving that a small child always shows a discriminating affection and distrust for unfamiliar faces unless its faculties are stunted. He said that the records would show that a child who would warm up to any caller usually develops into an easy mark for life insurance agents and confidence men.

He knew just when the first tooth should be thru the gum, and at what age a tot shoutd manage to stand by holding on to a chair, and how soon it ot to be able to speak pieces and sing "Little Birdy in the Tree."

It gave him cruel joy to be able to prove to parents that one baby was about the same as another and that all the star performances of little itchy-kitchey pet had been duplicated at least a million times in other nurseries.

By following these cold-blooded tactics he proctected the generel-public from a common variety of bore, but when the morthers got together of an afternoon he was read out of decent society and the time came when he never received an invitation to dinner.

Moral: Pretend to be interested and pleased.

The First of the Season.

During the week, a bear who has been wintering on Vancouver Mountain and boarding at the mine without paying, refused to take his time when it was oflered to him by foreman Sam Barker and got gay with the cook. This was going too far so one of the star boarders came down to town and borrowed a big gun and loaded it for bear. Volunteers were called for and England and Ireland marched out to battle for the honor of the camp and bear meat.

Telluride Mike, late of Colorado, led the advance with the gun while Klondike Jim brot up the rear, armed with an axe, a lariet and a striking hammer. Thus as in former encounters in the glorious annals of British battles the Irish brigade was put in front with an English one behind to keep it from running away. At the first shot bruin, who was a Boer, went into laager and showed fight. After firing away all of their ammuntion, and keeping up the glorious traditions of the Empire by hitting everything but the enemy, they advanced upon bruin and the fight was resumed at close quarters. After an hours engagement in which they lost the axe and hammer they succeeded in roping his bearship and dragging him up to the camp where he was court martialed and assinated by the cook.—Silvertonian.

A Cinch.

"We are not much of a sport," says a Kansas editor, "but when we meet a cinch in the road we recognize it. We made the following bargain with a friend yesterday: We were to stand at a given point half an hour and watch the ladies who passed. For every lady who reached her hand back to see if her skirt was gaping or to tuck it under her belt we were to receive a nickel. For every one who failed to do so in walking a block we were to give him a dime. We got sixty-two nickles from him and gave him one dime—a lady with both arms off came along."

With a howl of agony the capitalist, who had just turned out the gas preparatory to retiring to rest, sat down on the carpeted floor and pulled something out of the sole of his bare foot.

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LATEST FROM THE LARDO.

Railroad Construction Started and the Camp Opening Up.

The pile driver landed at Lardo on Thursday last to commence work on the dock. The piles are being cut at Putnam's ranch, up the grade a short distance from the lake.

Pete McVeigh, of Poupore & McVeigh, landed six teams and a string of single horses with an outfit of scrapers. The Ralph hotel has been turned into a construction camp and preparations are under way to commence work immediately.

Carlson has 20 men working on a tie contract at Howser lake. Murphy, the rancher at Lardo, is completing a contract he had last year with the C. P. R. for several thousand ties. Already contracts have been let for sufficient ties to carry the road to Selkirk, at the foot of Trout Lake.

Thirty men are employed at the Lardo lime quarry getting out flux for the Trail smelter.

The Lost Mountain mining company has assigned and the property will probably be disposed of on the coast by sheriff's sale. The total indebtedness is not large and as the properties are valuable the suspicion has gained circulation that it is a case of freeze out. Henry Giegerich will look after the interests of the creditors when the property is disposed of. It is stated that there is ore enuf on the dump to liquidate all the indebtedness. The property is still working.

There is a small force at work on the La Vina, close to town, and Geo. Macdonald is also developing his claims in the neighborhood of Argenta.

There are two stores and three hotels running at Lardo. Argenta is quiescent. The Kaslo and Lardo-Duncan has not yet shown any signs of life and there is no business in their townsite.

On The Right Track.

R. F. Green is urging on the local legislature the necessity of better smelting facilities for the lead ores of the Kootenay. He said the establishment of a smelter and refinery by the government itself would be good policy and instanced such a step as more neceessary even than railway development, of the importance of which all the membrrs have spokea so emphatically.

Will Not Close Down.

Manager Heap of the Last Chance, while in Trail last week, made a contract with the Trail smelter to take the output of the mine to the extent of 250 tons a month, This will admit of a continuance of operations at the Last Chance and the force will not have to be laid off, as was feared last week.

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Government Ownership in Ontario.

Politics have taken a sudden turn in Ontario and Premier Ross is now advocating government construction and operation of railways and in the practical manner for which he is noted he has undertaken to carry out his policy by building a railroad to James Bay as a government work, A railroad from Sudbury to James Bay has been chartered for a number of years and substantial land grants and bonuses given with the charter but no move has yet been made by the promoters to carry out the work. In the legislature last week Premier Ross said that his government and the people were getting tired of the bonusing scheme and that he now proposed to build a road under government auspices. Speaking of the Georgian Bay to James Bay railway Mr. Ross said in the legislature.

"I don't commit myself to the public ownership of railways, but by this action we should practically become masters of the situation. This would form an integral part of the James Bay system and in that way hold the key to whatever may accure. It was said that this would eventually be the shortest way to the Klonkike. We are standing at the gateway of a great country and all its resources. We can allow no corporation to intercept this trade by discriminating rates or excessive charges. These possibilities must not be frustrated either by parsimony on the one hand or extravagance on the other."

Reorganizing the Dardanelles.

The directors of the Dardanelles Mining & Milling Company have called the annual general meeting of the company for March 23rd. It is proposed to sell the claims and other assets of the company to a new concern, the Dardanelles & Okanagan Mining Co., the new company agreeing to assume existing liabilities and to hand over share for share to the stockholders in the Dardanelles. The Dardanelles & Okanagan is to be capitalized at $120,000, divided into 1,500,000 ten-cent shares, and shares in the new company taken up by the old shareholders are to be regarded as paid up to the extent of 5 cents and to be assessable for the balance. In calling the meeting the directors call attention to the fact that the company owes money which must be paid or the property will be sacrificed

Captain Troup, formerly superintendent of the Kootenay division of the C. P. R. has been appointed general manager of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co.

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