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THIRD YEAR IN KOOTENAY. FOURTH ISSUE IN ROSSLAND.

VICTORIA MEANS BUSINESS.

BOARD OF TRADE EXCURSION TO WEST KOOTENAY.

Can Compete With Spokane.

Victoria seems to have at last woke up to the fact that some effort is needed to obtain a share of West Kootenay's rapidly increasing trade. As the result of a recent meeting of the Victoria Board of Trade to discuss this matter and inquire into the best means of procedure to obtain a footing in Southern West Kootenay, fifteen of Victoria's most prominent business men, all members of the Board of Trade, arrived in Rossland on Tuesday, per str. Nakusp. The party included—David R. Ker, president of the Board of Trade and managing director of the Brackman & Ker Milling Co.; Gustave Leiser, vice-president Board of Trade; Alexander C. Flumerfelt, ex-president; Fred Elworthy, secretary; Colonel Prior, M.P., Robt. J. Ker, Joseph W. Weiler, George A. Kirk, John Piercy, H. G. Wilson, E. B. Marvin, Arthur Robertson, Joshua Davies, Robt. Cassidy and B. W. Pearse.

This is the first time that anything like an organized attempt has been made by the capital city to ascertain the needs, wishes, wants and capabilities of Kootenay's trade, and it to be hoped that the results of the expedition will be satisfactory to the merchants of both Victoria and the chief cities of West Kootenay.

The Board of Trade has obtained rates from the C. P. R. that will enable Victoria merchants to send goods into the country at prices equally as low as those from Spokane, and it is only fair and reasonable that Victoria, the capital of the province, should expect to reap some benefit from the new and expanding trade created by the discovery and development of mineral wealth in the province.

Spokane will always get its share of Kootenay's trade unless the import duties are considerably raised in this country, which the majority of thinking Canadians would be sorry to see. We in Kootenay, in common with the rest of the world are bound to buy in the cheapest market, and if Spokane can supply us with goods only a fraction lower than Victoria, then Spokane gets our trade. The sentimental feeling re "The Old Flag" is not so rampant in Canada as it is in the States, and it is open to conjecture, if the case was reversed and Victoria had the whole trade of some populous mining city in Washington, whether Spokane would not be crying out for an increase in the tariff to keep the foreigner out.

Most of the visitors preferred to make the journey from Trail to Rossland on horseback, and on their arrival here put up at the Montana House, where a ball and banquet were given in their honor the same evening. Next morning horses were obtained, and under the guidance of leading citizens the visitors rode to the various mines in operation in the vicinity of the town—the War Eagle, Le Roi and Josie. Two of the party made their way to the Crown Point, while one or two others drifted up to the Iron Horse and North Star. All of them were back in town in time for lunch and left on the stages for Trail, where they took the boat for Robson, it being their intention to visit Nelson, Kaslo, Three Forks and New Denver. Mr. Corbin has invited the party to visit Spokane by way of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway.

All were pleased with Rossland and the camp, and expressed great surprise at the quantity of mineral they had seen in the few brief hours at their disposal, and regretted that their stay was so short. They all promised to come again; and, in fact, two of them (Messrs. Cassidy and Prior) did return again much sooner than they expected, for, loitering by the way—they had taken cayuses—they missed the boat! Next morning the two gentlemen departed by stage for Northport, thence by rail to Nelson, where they rejoined their companions and bribed them with a "smile" not to mention it.

Rossland Opera House.

Messrs. Wm. Pfeifer and John Waldeser have a force of carpenters and lathers at work on their fine opera house which is being erected on the corner of Le Roi Ave. and Washington Street, near the Montana hotel. The building is 80 ft. long by 28 ft. wide. One portion is two storeys high and the remainder three storeys. It is expected to have it completed in about ten days.

The hall will be fitted up with a stage 20 by 28 feet, with drop curtains and the usual stage fittings. The chairs and other furniture have already been ordered. It will probably be the finest and best equipped hall to be found in any interior city in the province, and Messrs. Pfeifer and Waldeser deserve much credit for their enterprise.

Stuck His Stakes.

Mr. Almour, manager of the Balfour Trading Co., who has been for some months looking for the best and most permanent place to carry on the large business that he is accustomed to handle, has at last decided that Rossland suits him better than anywhere else, and has secured a long lease on that desirable lot at the corner of Washington and Reserve Streets, where he is erecting a large building. The site is an excellent one, and Mr. Almour, who is eminently deserving of success, may confidently anticipate a large trade.

The R. E. Lee Mine.

A United States ex-Congressman and a United States Senator are part owners of the R. E. Lee. The company is a pushing one, and will work the property for all it is worth. The company now has a large amount of machinery on the way from the east, which will be placed in position as soon as it arrives. One section of the wagon road is completed and the other will be in a few days. Five hundred bushels of charcoal are being burned for immediate use. Mark Gilliam is superintendent of the mine.

Thomas & Smith, dealers in hay and grain, always have a supply at their store on Columbia avenue, and sell at rates that are sure to give satisfaction.

AROUND KOOTENAY

Hugh Madden got off at the Halcyon Hot Springs on the up trip of the Nakusp last Sunday.

The rain of the past few days has delayed the contemplated work on the Trail Creek wagon road.

Fred Lang is in from his claim, the Dick, located four miles beyond the Wolverine. He has a fine showing of peacock copper ore.

Suydam never travels without letting it be known. He always has a pound or a bushel of Kettle River rock with him. He is a great boomer.

"Wings" of the Vancouver World is still hovering around Kootenay. He was washing his plumage in the heavy showers at Revelstoke on Monday.

Mr. Mara, M.P., and family are staying at Nelson and paid a visit to the Nakusp on her down trip on Tuesday. Mr. Mara is very sanguine as to the future of Rossland.

The ore found in the new strikes up the Jordan Pass about 19 miles north-west of Revelstoke is said to be similar to Trail Creek ore, carrying iron pyrites, copper, silver and gold.

J. M. Kellie, M.P.P., will address his Rossland constituents before he goes to Victoria for the next session of Parliament. He will visit this city in four or five weeks' time and will be glad to be made acquainted with the needs of the district.

A. H. Holdich, chief assayer and chemist at the Hall Mines, near Nelson, returned on Tuesday from a business trip to Omaha, Neb. Mr. Holdich had an opportunity of examining the large smelter there, and was greatly pleased with the efficient methods in use.

Jack Humphreys, brother of A. E. Humphreys of Rossland, was one of the gentlemen who disembarked from the steamer Nakusp at the Halcyon Hot Springs, Arrow Lake, last Sunday. Capt. Jack hopes to bring back the roses to his cheeks by a stay at this popular health resort.

The new smelter to be erected by the Hall Mines Co. will be located on Cottonwood Creek in a most advantageous position both for water and access. Everything is ready for starting the work, and the services of an architect experienced in smelter building will be engaged, so that the buildings may be laid out to the best possible advantage.

Purser Anderson of the Nakusp is about to sever his connection with the steamboat company, to the great regret of his fellow officers and the large number of travelling men whose business trips on the river have brought them in contact with him. Mr. Anderson will enter the firm of R. J. Bealey & Co. in the banking and insurance business in this city.

One of the prettiest situated spots in West Kootenay is the St. Leon Hot Springs, Upper Arrow Lake. The house is built a short distance back from the shingly beach at the apex of a deeply-dented and placid bay, and presents a picturesque appearance from the decks of passing steamers. In a few years from now the St. Leon Springs will be West Kootenay's fashionable health resort.

The Lytton is lying at Nakusp with her stern wheel and crank removed. Her machinery is undergoing a thorough overhaul under the supervision of Engineer Hector Sproat. The Lytton's crank shaft was placed on board the Nakusp and conveyed to Revelstoke on Sunday.

Col. Prior, M.P., who is one of delegation from the Victoria Board of Trade visiting Rossland this week had an hour's good fishing in the river while the steamer was transferring freight at Robson on Tuesday. There was quite a pile of good-sized trout lying on the lower guards of the boat at the stern, but whether the genial colonel landed them all it was difficult to ascertain.

Dan McGillivray, who has the contract for building the 13 miles of road between the Wigwam and the Northeast Arm on the Revelstoke & Arrow Lake Railway, came aboard the Nakusp at the Wigwam on Sunday and went up to Revelstoke. There were several contractors on board the steamer who were on their way to see Mr. McGillivray in the matter of getting sub-contracts. Among the number was Jim McDonald.

Ore Shipments Up River.

Following are the shipments of Slocan ore and bullion per steamer Nakusp, from Nakusp and Robson respectively, to the cars at Revelstoke since the 1st of the present month:

Sept. 1st—Five cars [110 tons] bullion.

Sept. 5th—Two cars [40 tons] bullion, three cars [60 tons] ore.

Sept. 8th—One car [20 tons] of bullion, five cars [90 tons] ore.

The ore was consigned to the Omaha and Everett smelters and the bullion to Aurora, Ill.

AROUND THE CITY.

Thomas & Smith for hay and grain.

"For Sale" cards, a foot square, in large type, at this office.

H. N. Coursier, merchant, of Revelstoke, came in on Tuesday's boat.

The garbage heap has ceased to offend the nostrils of travellers on the Trail road.

Tut, tut, Record. It isn't becoming to make such envious remarks, even if you are losing your grip.

Having ordered a new assortment of job type, this office will soon be better equipped than ever for turning out artistic job work.

Mr. Douglas, of the firm of Kennedy & Douglas, merchant tailors, Toronto, is paying his first visit to Rossland, arriving on Monday's boat.

Mrs. McKellar doesn't intend that Rosslandites shall be in danger of getting the scurvy. Vegetables by the ton are piled in and about her store.

For hay and grain see Thomas & Smith.

Don't fail to be present at the first of a series of SOCIAL HOPS to be given by Prof. and Mrs. Graham, at Donohue's hall, on Tuesday evening next. New music and several new dances are promised. Also to form a class. Admission 50 cents. Ladies free.

OUR ADVERTISERS.

The following named firms and persons use the columns of THE PROSPECTOR as a means to reach the people:

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Rossland Public School.

Since the beginning of the school which is taught by D. D. Birks, forty-seven pupils have been enrolled. There are forty-one regular attendants, divided into classes as follows:

FOURTH CLASS (HIGHEST).—Chas. McKellar, Ada Ray Fleming, May Keefe, Mabel Donovan, Mary Greenhill, Cranus Graham, Nellie Keefe, David St. John.

THIRD CLASS.—Richard McKellar, Maik Guidotte, Robert Bell, Margery St. John, Lillie Keefe, Flossie Moore, Edgar Cory, George Gregg, Dave Maloney.

SECOND CLASS.—Edna Martin, Gertie McCarthy, Bessie McKellar, Nellie Murphy, Gertie Lafavor.

SECOND PRIMER.—Lillie Dyer, Tressa Lafavor, Dorothy Disney, Alice Cooper, Richard Keefe, Archie Merrill, Katie Dyer, Allan Martin, Tommy Graham.

FIRST CLASS.—Jonh Bell, Harlo Merrill, Raymond Maloney, Frank McGree, Ira McNaughton, Ruby Martin, Lavina Jackson, Ray Lavor, Alma Beverly, Sylva Doell.

THE PROSPECTOR

BY W. D. PRATT.

Following the suggestion of the PROSPECTOR the Provincial government is returning to the district some of the revenue which it has contributed to the common fund.

Others will follow. One smelter can smelt only a small part of the ore product of the camp. Teamsters are already figuring on piling up the ore around the smelter and burying it out of sight, smokestack and all.

REJECTED SILVER.

It is an open question whether the rejection of silver coins as primary money by the financial nations of the earth, is a final and irrevocable action. Many who are well informed in political matters believe that the acts of 1816 (England) 1873 (U. S.) 1874 (Germany) and 1893 (India) will never be repealed. The demonetization of silver by the most enlightened nations does not prove that it is an enlightened action. It simply proves that their rulers are cunning and that legislation is for the classes rather than the masses. It may be said of nations as of individuals, a little learning makes them mad. When learning becomes general enough among the people for them to assist themselves by a concerted use of the only justifiable weapon at their command, viz: the ballot, they may stop the cunning of the rulers. Until then silver is a rejected metal.

WILL IT COME?

The Great Northern is in the Northwest for busines. It has invaded Kootenay and is doing business at Nelson and at all Kootenay Lake points, and will soon be in the heart of the Slocan. It is not possible that it will overlook so important a place as the Trail Creek Camp. It has all along been doing considerable Trail Creek business from Spokane, but it may well be doubted whether it will long be content to remain at so great a distance.

The Great Northern, while not burdened with money, is not impoverished like many other roads. Its president, the redoubtable Jim Hill, stands at the head of railroad officials of America. He possesses the confidence of capitalists and can get money to build branch lines when he wants to. He has only to see sufficient business to justify the expenditure and he will build. Though the distance to Trail Creek from points now reached by the Great Northern is not great, there would be considerable difficulty in finding a practical route. A branch might leave the main line at some point west of Bonner's Ferry, pass through the Metaline district, and by considerable winding about, reach the Columbia at Northport or at some point above that town. A shorter way for the Great Northern to reach the Columbia river at a point where it could get a portion of the Trail Creek business would be to build from Nelson paralleling either the Nelson & Fort Shepard or the Nelson & Kootenay. Nelson is only about twenty-five miles from the mouth of the Kootenay river. It would pay the Great Northern to build that tweuty-five miles even if it would parallel another road.

Judge Spink, who arrived at Revelstoke from Donald Monday evening, was a passenger on the steamer as far as Robson, taking train to Nelson to preside at the County Court.

SPEEDY JUSTICE.

Three Years for Forgery.

An elderly man named W. K. Jamieson, well known to many people in Rossland, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment by Judge Spink at Revelstoke on Monday. It appears that on the 19th of August last Jamieson, then a resident in Rossland, called on Mr. Northey, formerly of Revelstoke, and whose wife and family still reside there, and asked for a loan of $10 to pay his fare to Revelstoke, as he had received a notification to go up there at once to sign some papers and receive $1,800, which was his share of his deceased brother's estate. He offered to bring down anything Mr. Northey needed and was especially desirous of the latter writing a note to his wife and sending by him. He said he must be back again in three days, or else he would lose his job at the Le Roi mine. The $10 and the note were given him, and Mr. Northey heard no more of Jamieson until he received a telegram from his wife a week later, asking if he had written the words at the foot of the note: "Give Mr. Jamieson $25." As the telegram was four days in reaching Mr. Northey, Jamieson had obtained the $25 and cleared out of Revelstoke before a denial could be sent in reply. Jamieson was an excellent writer, having been a sergeant-major in the Royal Engineers, but had commuted his pension and spent the money in a very short time at Revelstoke last winter. He had opened the note and added the request to give him (Jamieson) $25, copying the handwriting of her husband so cleverly that Mrs. Northey was deceived by it and gave him the money. Jamieson went down river as far as Thomson's Landing, but, becoming broke, he returned to Revelstoke and was soon snapped up by the police. He had had the company of two men while the twenty-five dollars lasted, but when apprehended he was alone and in a miserable plight. He was brought before Magistrate Fraser at Revelstoke Courthouse on Monday morning on a charge of forgery. Prisoner pleaded guilty, and elected to be tried under the Speedy Trials Act. Judge Spink arrived from Donald on the 4.25 p.m. train, and shortly before six o'clock he had the prisoner before him for sentence. After reading the evidence taken before the magistrate the Judge addressed the prisoner, stating how sorry he was to see an old soldier in such a position. Jamieson asked for leniency and said that he had received sunstroke on two occasions while in India, and at times he was not accountable for his actions. The Judge said he would pass the lightest sentence the law would allow, which would be three years' imprisonment, the maximum for forgery being seven years. The Judge caught the seven o'clock boat for Nelson and the prisoner was taken to the provincial jail next day. Our neighbors across the boundary might cut a leaf or two out of Revelstoke's law books with great benefit to themselves.

A New Attraction on the Arrow Lakes.

The sea serpent has taken to frequenting rivers and lakes, and numerous instances of its appearance in various parts of Canada and the States have been chronicled recently. It now turns up in the Arrow Lakes, and while scratching its back against the bottom of an ore-laden scow last week it rubbed so hard as to tilt up one side of the scow and the sacks of ore slid off the deck into the middle of the lake. The water was smooth at the time of the occurrence and the scow righted herself as soon as the long "insect" quit rubbing.

NOTICE.

As we are going out of business we respectfully ask our customers to settle their accounts with us before the 1st of September, after which all unsettled accounts will be placed in other hands for collection.

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Passengers for River and Boundary Creek connect at Marcus with stage on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Passengers for Trail Creek mines connect at Northport with stage Daily.

Columbia & Kootenay Ry.

TIME TABLE No. 5.

Taking effect Friday, July 26, 1895, cancelling all former time tables.

TRAINS WEST. READ DOWN.

No. 3. Wednesdays Saturdays	No. 1. Tuesdays Fridays	Miles from Robson	STATIONS.
18 30	11 30	28	Dep. Nelson Ar.
18 45	11 45	23	*Kootenay
19 00	12 00	19	*Forty nine Creek
19 25	12 25	13	*Slocan
20 00	13 00	0	Ar. Robson Dep.

TRAINS EAST. READ UP.

No. 2. Tuesdays Fridays	No. 4. Wednesdays Saturdays	Miles from Nelson	STATIONS.
15 30	22 00	0	Dep. Robson Ar.
15 15	21 45	5	*Slocan
15 00	21 30	9	*Forty nine Creek
14 35	21 05	15	*Kootenay
14 00	20 30	28	Ar. Nelson Dep.

*Flag station.

Train No. 1 awaits arrival of Str. Alberta at Nelson and connects with boat for Trail Creek at Robson.

Train No. 3 connects with boat for Revelstoke at Robson.

Trains Nos. 2 and 4 will await arrival of boat at Robson.

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TIME TABLE NO. 7.
In effect Monday, April 29, 1895.

Kaslo route—Str. Nelson.

LV. NELSON.		LV. KASLO
.....	Monday	4 a. m.
5·40 p.m.	Tuesday	.....
4 p. m.	Wednesday	4 a. m.
5·40 p.m.	Thursday	8 a. m.
.....	Friday	4 a. m.
5·40 p.m.	Saturday	.....

Connecting on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays with N & F S railway for KASLO and lake points. Connecting on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays with N & F S r'y for Spokane. Close connections with Columbia & Kootenay r'y at Nelson for points north & south.

Bonner's Ferry route—Str. Nelson

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Leaves Kaslo for Bonner's Ferry Mondays and Fridays at 4 a. m.
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Connects with east- and west-bound trains on the Great Northern Railway.

Revelstoke route—Str. Lytton.

Leaves Revelstoke, southbound, Tuesdays and Fridays at 1 a. m. for all points in West Kootenay and the South.
Leaves Robson, northbound, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 8 p. m. for all points east and west via the C. P. R.

Northport route—Str. Lytton.

Leaves Northport, northbound, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 1 p. m.
Leaves Robson, southbound, Tuesdays and Fridays at 6 p. m.
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It is stated that $399,000 in gold was produced in the Independence Mine, of Cripple Creek, Colorado, during the first three months of this year at a total cost of $15,000, which is an average of less than 4 cents to the dollar. If this statement be a true one it may be commended to the attention of the men who for months past have been talking about "appreciation of gold," telling that "property is standing still and gold is going up," and insisting that every year it costs more to produce a given quantity of gold than it did the year preceeding. Think of gold being produced in considerable quantities at a cost of less than 4 cents on the dollar, while certain financial fools are calculating the size of a cube that would contain all the gold in the world, and pretending to speculate on the alleged probability that the cost and scarcity of gold will soon make it as valuable as an equal weight of diamonds.

The production of $400,000 worth of gold, or several times that quantity, at little more than nominal cost, cannot be expected to make gold cheaper any more than the growing of 100 bushels on each of a few acres of wheat land would lessen the price of all the wheat in the world. So long as the quantity produced under the extra favorable circumstances is relatively very small, it simply means a great profit to the producer on each unit of quantity. But a large percentage of the total supply no more could be produced very cheaply in the case of gold than in that of silver, wheat, or any other material that many people desire to possess. When bonanza farmers in the Northwest and on the Pacific Slope and employers of cheap Italian labor in Argentina, and very poorly paid toilers in Russia and India, can produce wheat at low cost in sufficient quantities to incite competition among themselves, one cannot expect the price to be maintained at the high figures which were the rule before the competition became intense. So with silver. When only a very small part of the amount freely taken by the world was obtained cheaply, the higher cost of obtaining the great bulk of the supply dominated the market and determined the price. But when it was known in financial circles that a large annual supply of silver could be turned out at a cost not exceeding 60 cents the price fell. The fact that in some mines it would cost much more than that did not enter into the count, so long as enough could be obtained without operating them. So, when the grain merchants of the world find they can purchase all the wheat they want to handle at prices which are claimed not to pay the holder of a small farm to raise wheat, they are not apt voluntarily to raise the price on themselves for the purpose of enabling the small farmer to live by wheat culture.

There are indications that a vast cheapening in the cost of producing gold is in progress. The output of some of th large mines in Africa is reported to have cost but about 80 cents on the dollar for the work of last year, and now comes news of 4-cent gold in Colorado. Without doubt if the introduction of new process enables the gold finders in this and other lands to produce a large percentage of the normal supply at a much cheaper rate tnan a hundred cents worth of labor and other cost, including interest on the capital employed, for each "dollar" obtained the price of gold will fall, as it did early in the second half of this century. It will fall, as then, by reference to the buying cost of things that are purchased with it, and it is difficult to understand how any legislative interferance by any or all governments of the world could prevent the decline. Gold would prove to be amenable to the same law that governs the price movements of other commodities in spite of the fact that it would continue to be used as a measure of them,. It would and must be rated as less valuable in proportion to the lessened cost of obtaining it—Chicago Tribune.

Strike at Revelstoke.

There was no issue of the Kootenay Mail last Saturday, the staff having gone out on a strike. It appears that the wages of the employees have been falling deeper and deeper into arrears for some time past, and the editor and his assistant determined that the time had arrived for the company to "stump up." So they gave their ultimatum to the board of directors last week that unless the arrears of salary, or some portion of it, were forthcoming by a certain date there would be no issue of the paper on the following Saturday, as they took no stock whatever in the oft repeated and as often broken promises of the directors to settle up. When Saturday came and the money was still "out of sight," the editor was as good as his word, and although the formes were ready for the press, he locked the door, pulled down the blinds and went for a walk. But it is said that very few people missed the paper, and the Revelstokians themselves did not know there was a suspension of the Mail. On Monday, however, some satisfactory conclusion was arrived at, as the paper appeared late in the day.

An Elegant Steamboat.

Those who have made the river trip aboard the Nakusp are loud in their praises of the new boat. Not only in her spacious dimensions and greater speed is she superior to all other boats on our rivers, but on the Nakusp the acme of comfort seems to have been reached, and when in bed in one of the commodious state-rooms one can scarcely realize that he is on board a steamboat, the vibration of the engines being hardly perceptible. Her internal fittings are not yet finished, but enough has been done to show that she will be the most elegant craft on Kootenay lakes and rivers, and her designer, Capt. Troup, may reasonably feel proud of his success.

Impracticable.

The question is often asked whether the different mining camps from the Columbia River west to Okanagan Lake can be connected by wagon road—a road that would follow the general course of the Dewdney trail. It may be possible to construct such a road, just as it was possible for Napoleon to cross the Alps, but travellers who have been over the Dewdney trail say that the later Napoleon (Fitzstubbs) cannot change it into a wagon road.

Object Lesson in Finance.

The Palouse country is turning out another of its phenomenal yields of grain. Nature is good to our farmers.—Colville Standard.

Yes, Nature is good, but what about the conspirators — one of whom is in the Presidential chair—who have contracted the currency until only 28 cents of it can be obtained by the farmers for a bushel of wheat?

A heavy flywheel for the Pilot Bay smelter was transferred to the cars from the steamer at Robson on Tuesday.

NO IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT.

Important Question Decided by a High Court in British Columbia.

Justice Drake, in chambers at Victoria, B. C., recently delivered judgment on a motion to set aside an order made in a county court action committing a debtor to prison for contempt in not paying a sum of money ordered to be paid by monthly installments in accordance with the practice which has heretofore existed in the county court. The order is, by the judgment, set aside with costs, on the ground that imprisonment for debt is abolished in this province, and that the section of the county court act which assumes to give county court judges power to imprison for non-payment of money is, by implication, repealed.

Jack Devlin, "The Gunner from Galway, who was in Rossland last week, arrived at the Halcyon Hot Springs last Sunday, per steamer Nakusp. He says he has contracted a severe cold sleeping out in the snow while working on his mining claims, which are situated on the east side of Arrow Lake.

Wm. R. Beatty.

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THIRTY DAYS after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to cut timber on the following described lands: From a post near to the north-west corner of Lot 230, Group 1., Trail Creek; thence south 100 chains; thence west 100 chains; thence north 100 chains; thence east 100 chains to point of commencement, containing 1000 acres more or less.

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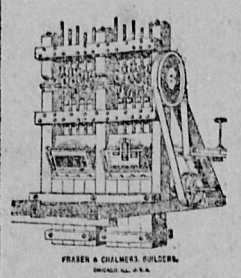

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New Court House.

Separate tenders were received to-day by Recorder Kirkup for the building of a court house and lock-up according to specifications furnished him from Victoria. It is expected that a contract will be closed within a few days.

The site selected for the government building is a good one. It is on the north side of an easterly extension of Columbia avenue.

A Busy Scene.

About noon, and at other times during the day, there is a busy scene around the ore bins of Le Roi mine. At such times ten or twelve four-horse and six-horse teams may be seen there waiting their turn to receive their load. The weigh-master is kept busy all the while taking the weights of the loaded and the empty wagons.

Adventurous Ladies.

Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Crawford and Miss Phipps descended the shaft of Le Roi mine the other doy. The shaft is 350 feet deep, and the descent is made in an ore bucket. Excepting Mrs. Stimmell they are the first ladies to venture into the dark cavity that leads to the famous treasure vault.

New Billiard Hall.

Pfeifer & Waldeser have leased a room 28 by 60, on the first floor of their new building, to a Spokane man, who will put in six tables for pool and billiards. The tables have already arrived at Northport.

Business continues rushing at the customs office.

C.P.R. surveyors are now cross-sectioning from Rossland to the Columbia river.

The recent deaths and the number of cases of sickness in the community have encouraged another undertaker to open up a coffin and casket establishment. See his card in another column.

Reavis & Williams, the new proprietors of the Miner, are welcomed by the PROSPECTOR in common with all those who believe that men who publish sensible and conservative newspapers are a valuable acquisition to a community.

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The Smelter Town.

The town of Trail is just now in the focus of fortune's rays.

The townsite shows up admirably since the streets have been cleared. Three or four new buildings are being constructed and many more will be soon. The smelter site has been surveyed, and excavations are being made for the foundations of the buildings. This work must be completed within twelve days. Contracts have been let for most of the material required in the smelter. Anderson & Costello, the contractors, expect to have it ready for business before the first of November.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned will, at the expiration of thirty days, apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate of West Kootenay district, for a license to sell liquor at retail at —— Hotel, in the town of Trail.

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