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Dec. 24, 1895. Rossland, B. C.

APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE is hereby given, that at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia application will be made for the passage of a Private Bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, equipping and operating electric light and power and water works at or near the town of Rossland, in the Province of British Columbia, and for the purposes thereof granting to the said company the privilege of taking and conveying water from Centre Star creek, Stony creek and Sheep creek, and other creeks, streams, lakes or rivers within twenty-five miles of the said town of Rossland, with power to the company to make ditches, flumes and aqueducts, to lay pipes, erect dams, acquire lands by expropriation, purchase or otherwise, and to do all things necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

Dated the 11th day of December, 1895.

F. M. McLEOD,
Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining and operating a railway from a point at or near the mouth of Trail Creek on the Columbia river, extending through or near the towns of Rossland and Midway, to a point of the Okanagan lake at or near the town of Penticton, in the Districts of West Kootenay and Osoyoos, British Columbia, with powers to construct, equip, maintain and operate branch lines therefrom to all mines lying in the vicinity thereof, and also to construct, equip, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines and to build wharves and docks in connection therewith, together with the powers of acquiring lands, privileges, bonuses or other aids from any Government, Municipal Corporation, or other persons or bodies, and to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies, and for all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

F. E. WARD,
Agent for Applicants.

Dec. 17th, 1895.

Wool blankets, quilts and mattresses, at Hunter Bros., K. & Co. —Adv.

Books, children's dishes, dolls, and Christmas cards at Mrs. D. McKellar's, Reserve street.

Robinson carries a splendid line of all wool blankets in white, scarlet and navy blue.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, operating and working deep tunnels, drifts or shafts for the purpose of exploring for, discovering, working, getting, acquiring and recovering minerals situate in blind veins, ledges or lodes in the Districts of East and West Kootenay, Yale and Cariboo, in the Province of British Columbia, and for entering upon and acquiring lands for such purposes, and for collecting tolls for the use of such tunnels or workings by any other persons or companies engaged in mining and for acquiring such water powers or privileges as may be necessary or convenient therefor, together with such other powers or privileges, rights or incidents, as may be necessary for or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the foregoing objects or any of them.

A. E. HUMPHREYS,
Applicant.

School Notes.

The citizens' committee on school affairs had a meeting on Thursday afternoon to arrange for the opening of school after the Christmas holidays.

School will re-open on Monday, January 6th, either in the Opera House or in the Methodist church.

The school house is in course of erection, but it is necessary to raise money to pay rent for a building during January and February. It has been thought best to ask the parents to contribute 25c. for each pupil. A member of the committee will call on all concerned. This is not to be considered a tax, for every child is free to attend the school, whether the 25c. is paid or not.

It is also urged that every pupil of school age be in attendance during the whole month of January, as the estimates are made by the Legislature in February, and it is desirable that the House should understand that the large number of children in Rossland necessitates the building of a large school house.

Had the Desired Effect.

Nothing succeeds like "kicking." Rossland is at last to have a school building suitable to the requirements of that rapidly growing town. For a long time the wants of Rossland in this respect were persistently ignored by the Department of Education. Petitions innumerable were forwarded to the Department, and the local press was constant in its appeal for proper school accommodation. Finally a public meeting was held, at which a series of resolutions condemnatory of the Minister of Education were passed. This move apparently had the desired effect. It is now reported that a contract has been let for the erection of a school building to cost $1,309, and that work thereon will be started immediately. There are ninety-eight children enrolled on Rossland's school list—about twice as many as in any other town in West Kootenay—so that there was a real grievance, the removal of which, even at this late hour, is very satisfactory.—Province.

The latest and freshest holiday cakes and mince pies at the International Bakery.

A new supply of 'Xmas goods received at Wallace's stationery store this week.

The Catholic Church Fair.

The first fair of any kind ever held in Rossland came to a close last Saturday night, after three days' successful duration. The proceeds amounted to the handsome sum of $1,052.45, after all expenses were paid. There was a voting contest, at ten cents a vote, for the most popular young lady in Rossland, the first prize being a lady's workbox. Miss May Haley was the fair recipient, receiving no less than 1865 votes, which, at 10c. each, represented $186.50; Miss Nelly Donnelly received 1829, and Miss Nelly McCarthy 1650, the whole contest netting the sum of $535.30. Jerry Spellman won the smoking set offered for the most popular hotel-keeper, with 396 votes, A. Moran being second with 296. The musical decanter for the most popular mine-foreman was won by J. B. Bresenham, with Joe Trayner second. Great credit is due to the ladies who presided at the various stands, and the decoration committee:—

Refreshments—Mesdames Haley, Reddin, McCarthy, Adams, and Miss McCarthy. Cigars and candy—Miss M. Haley and Phil. Reddin. Fish pond—Miss Jones. Decoration—Mesdames Saucier, O'Connell, Flaherty, Miss Haley, Father Lemay and Messrs. J. J. Hand and Frank Gauthier. W. H. Wringer was the auctioneer who sold the mining claim to the highest bidder—Tem Lowering—for $7.50. The town lot was won by Mrs. Flaherty.

Father Lemay desires to thank all the ladies and gentlemen who helped make the fair such a success; also to the orchestra for the inspiriting music rendered, and to the public for the liberal patronage bestowed.

Christmas in Rossland.

Christmas passed very quietly here. The weather was fine, and the roads were in a favorable condition for sleighing, which seemed to be a favorite pastime with many. Dinner parties were given by several householders to friends who were not so fortunate as to have a home of their own. All the hotels had the customary Christmas spread of roast goose, turkey, duck or chicken, with plum pudding. There was a Christmas tree and entertainment at the Methodist church, and the Carlton company gave a dramatic performance in the opera house, both places being well patronized. Most of the stores were closed, and the streets had a holiday appearance. No disturbance of any kind occurred to mar the peacefulness of the day, and Rossland's first Christmas has passed into history with nothing to distinguish it from the 1894 others that had preceded it.

Christmas Tree.

There was a large attendance at the Christmas tree entertainment in the Methodist church Wednesday evening. The programme was entirely by the little folks, Fanny Graham making quite a hit in the piece "Lost on Christmas Eve," while Roy Gee won a vociferous encore and the two little Misses McLean well-deserved applause. Mr. W. Mortimer took a photograph of the tableau by flash light, having previously taken a good negative of the loaded Christmas tree. Precisely at nine o'clock Santa Claus arrived at the outer door and was speedily admitted. Clad in the regulation costume, with a large bag dangling at his back, he made his way to the platform and was at once the central figure of a group of shouting and laughing youngsters. Then the work of denuding the tree began, and for the next half hour the delight of the children was unbounded. A most "emphatic" concertina solo by Santa Claus brought a pleasant evening to a close.

Good cigars in boxes of 25, suitable for 'Xmas presents at Wallace's stationery store.

AROUND THE CITY.

Prof. Graham has kindly left us souvenirs of Trail's Christmas ball.

A new drug store is being put in on Reserve street by Dr. McAlpine & Son.

Waldbeser has sold his interest in the sawmill business to his partner Dalton.

Officer Hooson entertained a party of friends at his residence on Christmas night.

Invitations for a New Year's hop in the Opera House have been issued by Mrs. Allan.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Weeks entertained a small party of friends at dinner on Christmas day.

Alexander Cofburn had two fingers cut off by the edger at Blue's sawmill yesterday morning.

Five thousand five hundred pounds of poultry was sold in Rossland on Christmas Eve alone.

Contractor McCarthy started the work of completing the Catholic church and parsonage yesterday.

Tommy Lewis is home from Spokane to spend the holidays. He is greatly pleased with the school there.

Father Lemay will hold service at Trail Sunday, and at the new church in Rossland the first Sunday in January.

Miss Maud McGaughey returned from Spokane, where she attends college, to enjoy the holidays with her mother and brother.

The large fund raised by the voting at the Catholic fair is largely due to the exertions of J. J. Hand, who worked like a trooper.

P.C. John Hooson received word yesterday of the death of his mother. Mr. Hooson has our sincere sympathy in his bereavement.

Those who were fortunate enough to partake of the Christmas dinner at the Windsor will remember the hostess as a pleasant entertainer.

The tramway company has secured the right-of-way through Rossland. 100 men are grading on the line below the forks of the creek.

If you wish to have your linen look nice send it to Graham's Trail Creek Laundry. Located at the water tank, near the Methodist church.

Splendid line of Cardigan jackets, $2, at Robinson's.

During the absence of Mr. J. R. Reavis, the editorial chair of the Miner is held down by Mr. H. W. C. Jackson, who writes, as he speaks, fluently.

Miss Maud Herkimer, who teaches school at Northport, has been spending the holidays with friends in this city, and was present at the Christmas Eve ball.

Last Saturday was the shortest day on the calendar, when Old Sol commences his return trip to the north. The days will now begin to lengthen and the coal oil bill to shorten.

A fine display of lamps at Hunter Bros., K. & Co. Adv.

Miss Katie Johnson and Miss Mary Symes attended the ball at Trail Christmas night. Mr. John Stussi was their happy escort. Dame rumor says that John has been making inquiries about the price of marriage licenses.

The proprietors of the Opera House intend giving a masquerade ball next Tuesday night (New Year's Eve), and everything will be done to make the affair one of the most successful public dances ever held here.

Margaret St. John, Mrs. Allan's little girl, is ambitious to be an actress. The last evening of the Carlton Company entertainments she appeared on the stage, danced the highland fling, and won a hearty encore.

At the Leland all the meals are the same price—25c. *

The Carlton company of players presented three dramas in the Opera House this week to good houses —"Destiny," "Hazel Kirke," and "Ole Olson." The general verdict of the Rossland public is that the company is a good one.

A report of the lecture by Rev. J. E. Wallace is in type, but is unfortunately crowded out, and will appear next week.

Mrs. Owen, of the Leland House, will provide supper on the occasion of the masquerade ball on Tuesday night (New Year's Eve). Only one minute's walk from the Opera House.

$2.75 in silver buys a nice pair of blankets at Robinson's.

There will be a meeting in the Methodist church on Saturday evening, Dec. 28th, for the purpose of organizing a temperance society. All who are interested in the movement are urgently requested to attend. Eight o'clock is the time.

Tiddley-winks, lotto and three blind mice and other nice games at Mrs. D. McKellar's, Reserve St.

Manager Morris, of the waterworks, was thrown from a horse, by the saddle turning, and was kicked on the leg, making a painful wound. His foot hung in the stirrup and he would have been dragged to death if the strap had had not broken.

Miners' heavy boots, $2.50 at Robinson's.

The Christmas ball at Trail
Did not exactly fail;
But prices were so steep,
With a view, 'tis said, to keep
Out the very common herd;
That even the elite
Had no desire to see't.
And Trailers must confess
'Twas NOT a great success.
A lonely ball! A timely word:
Go to the Leland for a first-class 25c. luncheon. *

Under direction of Manager Kent, of the Vernon & Nelson Telephone Company, a line has been put up between Trail and Robson, and telegraphic instruments placed in the Rossland and Trail offices. The company will not now be dependent upon the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Company, and will be able to give to the public a better service than formerly.

Lots, lots, lots of pretty Christmas cards at Mrs. D. McKellar's, Reserve street.

Some healthy wind storms have visited this section during the past week. On Sunday the tall chimney pipe at the rear of the Allan House kitchen was laid low, but the damage was trifling. To-day a half-grown blizzard is cavorting down the valley, and is having things all its own way. The PROSPECTOR'S big sign, "Job Printing," has been split into ribbons, and the shreds are fluttering gaily in the breeze, very like the clothes line in the back yard of the Chinese laundry opposite. Many passers-by have supposed that it was the editor's washing day. This is not so. We had a big washup only a few months ago, and the spring cleaning is not due till April, anyway.

Call at the International Bakery and get the finest assorted holiday cakes and mince pies in Rossland.

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The Social Club Ball.

This was voted to be one of the nicest dances of the season, and was thoroughly enjoyable to all who participated, thanks to the indefatigable energy displayed by Messrs. Cook and Brigford and other members of the committee, not forgetting Mr. McCarthy, who officiated as master of ceremonies. Dancing went on both in the upper and lower halls, with very good music in each, and the tripping up and down stairs in search of a missing friend or partner was an innovation that was greatly enjoyed. Four hundred badges had been printed, and each lady and gentleman wore the club's colors, which lent a charming effect to the scene. Supper was provided at the Allan House, and dancing was kept up till daylight was drawing pretty close.

THE PROSPECTOR

Friday, December 27th, 1895.

W. D. PRATT. R. W. NORTHEY.

The Spokesman-Review should not get too funny. Its partiality towards Mr. Corbin and his organ in Rossland and its slighting attitude towards the mine-owners and this paper are plainly apparent. The interests of several hundred mine-owners—a large proportion of them Spokane men—should not be lightly ignored, even by the hyphenated habitant of the high tower.

PROGRESS IN WEST KOOTENAY.

The year that is now growing to a close has witnessed remarkable progress in West Kootenay—a progress equalled during the same period in not more than two places in the whole world. To rank with South Africa and Cripple Creek, Col., is a distinction that belongs to West Kootenay alone.

One year ago the Kaslo & Slocan Railroad existed only on paper. No one believed it would be built for several years, but now it is a reality. Besides the Kaslo & Slocan Railway, another short line of railway has been built, and graders are at work upon and material is arriving for a third road.

Six months ago there was but one smelter in West Kootenay, (not counting the dismantled structure at Revelstoke) now there are three.

All of the towns of a year ago have grown and prospered, and at least three—Sandon, Trail and Rossland—are almost entirely of this year's growth.

The production of mineral—the cause of all this activity and prosperity—has been so great that it has attracted the attention of the chief money centers of the world.

Roughly estimated, the shipments of Slocan high-grade silver-lead ores from January 1st to December 31st of this year have aggregated 8,000 tons, worth one million dollars; from the Blue Bell to Pilot Bay smelter, low-grade ore, 20,000 tons, which, together with the shipments from Ainsworth and Nelson, amount to half a million dollars.

During the same period the mines around Rossland have produced about 22,000 tons of gold ore, worth one million dollars. This makes a total of two and a half million dollars' worth of ore produced in West Kootenay in 1895. In this estimate no account has taken of the Lardeau and Big Bend placer mines and the silver-lead mines of Illecillewaet.

CORBIN AND HIS LAWYERS.

In none of the numerous interviews, letters and telegrams of Mr. Corbin does he refer to the action of his attorneys, which more than any other aroused the mine-owners of this district. While Mr. Corbin talks one way his attorneys at Victoria are talking in a different strain in Court, and the people are quite as much concerned in the pretentions of his attorneys as they are in the plausible utterances of Mr. Corbin himself. His attorneys make the statement to the Court that because a certain locator neglected to put up an indemnifying bond he has, therefore, not a legal location—that it is invalid and void. As the same objection can be made against every claim located during the past two and a half years it applies to all. Here is an extract from the brief filed in the Paris Belle case and is as plain as the English language can make it:

"21. The defendant Jerry at the time of entering upon the said lands for the alleged purpose of locating said mineral claim did not nor did he at any subsequent period give any security whatsoever to the Gold Commissioner for any loss or damage which might be caused to the plaintiffs by the said entry, nor has the defendant Jerry or any of the other defendants at any time made or offered any compensation to the plaintiffs for any loss or damage which might be caused by reason of such entry in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of Mineral Act, 1891."

"28. The plaintiffs further submit that the defendants, by their neglect to comply with the provisions of the said Section 10 of the Mineral Act 1891, relating to compensation, as aforesaid, have not, nor have any of them at any time, recorded or acquired any lawful location of the said alleged Paris Belle mineral claim."

Now if these attorneys do not mean what they say, why do they say it, and if they do mean it, of what effect are Mr. Corbin's plausible statements made out of Court? Mr. Corbin and his attorneys at Victoria should get together.

ANOTHER MASS MEETING.

The Report of the Mine-owners' Committee.

At 8 o'clock last Saturday evening another mass meeting was held to receive the report of the committee as to what course Mr. Corbin intended to take in regard to the mines around Rossland. Mr. Reddin was called to the chair. The committee handed in a report which was read by the chairman as follows:

Your committee appointed to confer with D. C. Corbin, the representative of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard R. R. Co., to find out what course he was going to pursue in regard to the rights his company claimed under their land grant, so far as the mineral within their grant was concerned, beg leave to make the following report:

1st. Mr. Corbin does not now, and says he never did, lay any claim to any of the mineral within his grant;

2nd. He does claim the surface to all claims located within his grant after the 23rd of March, 1893, he granting to the miner an easement for working purposes only;

3rd. He does not intend to adverse any more mineral claims, but will rest upon what rights his land grant and Crown grant gives him under the law, which, he admits, will be settled when the "Paris Belle" case is decided, thereby virtually admitting that the "Paris Belle" case is a test case;

4th. He says that his interests and the mining interests are interests in common;

5th. That he has put $1,200,000 in the Nelson & Fort Sheppard R. R. and that the company expect some returns for their money, but only want what they are entitled to under the law, and whatever rights the Courts may decree to his company, that they do not, at any time, intend to interfere with legitimate mining.

JOHN M. BURKE,
JOHN R. COOK, } com'ee.
ROSS THOMPSON,

Before any action was taken David Stussi said he intended to move an amendment to the report before its adoption by the meeting. The report was then received and the committee discharged.

Mr. Glass moved as an amendment to the report "that it is the voice of this meeting that Mr. Corbin has no rights to the surface of mineral lands under lease from the Government on and prior to the date of his Crown grant issued during this year, and that he can get no other rights than are contained in the 8th section of the Land Subsidy Act of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway, passed on the 8th of April, 1892." In support of this resolution Mr. Glass said that the 8th section with the other parts of the Act made up Corbin's contract with British Columbia, and that there was no power to enlarge that contract but the Legislature of the Province. At that time the miner owned the surface rights of his claim—that being the law at the time, Mr. Corbin must take his grant under it. More than a year after the Legislature took away from the miner the surface rights, but it did not give them to Mr. Corbin, nor was his contract by that act altered or enlarged in any way. He got just what the subsidy act gave him and no more. Between that time and May, 1895, when he got his Crown grant, various changes took place. The Government sold, leased and disposed of such lands within the land grant as the miners and others required, but under the 5th section it was compelled to give the company other lands to make up for them, called "lieu lands." And under this section the company could only get in their grant "unoccupied lands of the Crown," and therefore no lands could be included in the Crown grant in May last which were occupied by leaseholders. It is alleged that the Crown grant does not follow the 5th and 8th sections of the Subsidy Act. On this he gave no opinion, as he had not seen the Crown grant, but this is of the most vital importance to the miner.

Mr. Glass continuing said: "The Paris Belle was purchased by us for a large sum upon expert testimony of its being a valuable mineral claim, as was shown by assays from the shaft of the property at that time. After more extensive developments Corbin served a writ upon us claiming the land as belonging to his company. We at once stopped work and turned our attention to fighting him, and this we are resolved to do, till the questions are determined in a court of final resort. He claims that all miners cannot disturb the surface until they give him a bond, and that then he will give them an easement on the property. This we deny, and allege that up to May last when he obtained his Crown grant he could take no interest in occupied Crown lands. The Government of British Columbia is in no way to blame, as that Government is at all times ready to support and encourage the miner. The prospector and miner, so far as my observation goes for some years back, are but poorly paid and yet they are the vital factors in the development of the country. If the 2500 claims in this camp are to be at the tender mercy of Mr. Corbin, who says he will give them easements to work their claims, the miners will soon abandon such a harrowing proposition and find other quarters where such oppressive conditions are not imposed."

James Cronan, in a few well-timed remarks, seconded the resolution. He said that the whole surface was needed by the miner to operate upon, or to use if he wanted it to live upon. That he should own it as he formerly could do, and be able to work at any point without asking Mr. Corbin for an easement.

John M. Burke spoke at length, explaining Mr. Corbin's position and the rights of the miners in regard to the surface and the ownership of the soil.

J. B. McArthur followed in the same strain. He said whatever Mr. Corbin might now say to the committee, in Court he would contend that no miner could break the surface of a claim without first putting up a bond, and if that were enforced the people would soon leave the camp. Mr. Jackson spoke for a few minutes and the Chairman put the amendment to the meeting and declared it carried unanimously. The committee of fifteen was then empowered to furnish funds for the defence in the Paris Belle matter. A vote of thanks was then tendered to the Spokane committee and the meeting adjourned.

A Significant Comment.

Rossland people are experiencing a great difficulty in getting a school building, as plans and specifications were drawn and tenders called for a building out of all proportion to the Government grant for that purpose, and the trustees and those tendering seem not to have been imbued with the idea of cutting the garment according to the cloth, which has been successfully done in more than one school district this summer. If the finances of the province were properly looked after there would be no necessity for this state of affairs, and it is much to be regretted the Government were obliged to reduce the amount of appropriation for school building purposes, as nothing is so much needed as schools in places that have recently sprung into existence, such for instance as Rossland.—Midway Advance.

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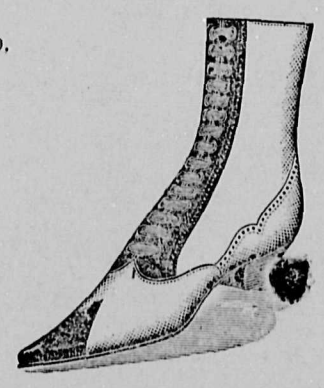

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Tamarack and Fir, all sizes 2ft. and under, per cord of 2 ricks, $5; over 2ft., per cord of 1 rick, $4.50; Hemlock, all sizes 2ft. and under, per cord of 2 ricks, $4.50; over 2ft., per cord of 1 rick, $4; Pine and Spruce, all sizes 2ft. and under, per cord of 2 ricks, $4; over 2ft., $3.50; Cedar, all sizes 2t. and under, per cord of 2 ricks, $3.50; over 2ft., per cord of 1 rick, $3.

A. FITZPATRICK, J. J. MCKINNON,
JAMES SMITH, J. A. BURGESS,
GUS. LEANHART, JAS. SUMMERS,
FRANK CORTE, GEORGE ADAMS,
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J. F. CASTLE, L. O. CARTER,
S. M. SMART, ALEX. JOHNSON.
J. C. MCDOWELL.

Certificate of Improvements.

"DEER PARK" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: About one mile southwest from Rossland.

TAKE NOTICE that I, A. S. Farwell, as agent for Frederick A. Mulholland, No. 59,500, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this first day of November, 1895.

7-11-95 A. S. FARWELL.

Certificate of Improvements.

"PILGRIM" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: North of and adjoining the War Eagle claim.

TAKE NOTICE that I, A. S. Farwell, as agent for Thomas L. Savage, No 57,051, and William Austin, No. 62,127, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this fourth day of November, 1895.

7-11-95 A. S. FARWELL.

Certificate of Improvements.

"RED NECK" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District Where located: Lying west of the Homestake; east of the Climax; south of the Fire Fly and north of the Hattie Brown mineral claims.

TAKE NOTICE that I, C. K. Brigman, free miner's certificate No. 62,285, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this twentieth day of October, A. D. 1895.

C. K. BRIGMAN.

Church and Sunday-School.

Presbyterian services will be held on Sunday as follows: Morning at 11, evening 7.30; Sunday-school 12 noon. J. E. Wallace, pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH.—Morning service, 10.30; Sabbath-school, 2.30 p.m.; evening service, 7. Prayer meeting Wednesday evenings at 7.30 standard time. T. Gee, pastor.

Robinson's is the cheapest store on Columbia Avenue.—Adv.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that copies of the plans and book of reference of The Trail Creek Tramway have been filed with the Department of Lands and Works and in the Registry Office for the District of West Kootenay, on the 11th of Dec., A.D. 1895, in conformity with the British Columbia Tramway Act.

F. P. GUTELIUS,
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NOTICE.

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"ST. LOUIS" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in Trail Creek Mining Division of Kootenay District of British Columbia. Where located: On the north side and adjoining the Good Hope mineral claim and the south side of the Ontario mineral claim.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Finimore Melbourn McLeod, free miner's certificate No. 61,479, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 17th October, A.D. 1895.

F. M. MCLEOD.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

"BUCKEYE" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District and located north of, and adjoining the Monte Christo Mineral Claim.

TAKE NOTICE that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for Louis Lienaman, Free Miner's certificate No, 60,385, and Charles Schmidt, Free Miner's certificate No. 60,384, intend, sixty (60) days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above Claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 24th day of October, 1895, at Rossland, B. C. J. A. KIRK.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

"NORTH STAR" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situated in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the north of and adjoining the Columbia mineral claim.

Take notice that I, J. F. Ritchie, acting as agent for E. J. Kelly, F.M.C. 64,528; Olaus Jeldness, F.M.C. 64,577, and Thomas W. Stack, F.M.C 61,442, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

J. F. RITCHIE.

Dated at Rossland this 19th December, 1895.

Certificate of Improvements.

"DEFENDER" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in Trail Creek Mining Division of Kootenay District of British Columbia. Where located: On the west side of Red Mountain, in the said mining division.

TAKE NOTICE that I, F. M. McLeod, of the town of Rossland, in Kootenay District of British Columbia, acting as agent for Theodore F. Trask, free miner's certificate No. 57171, Joseph Almoure, free miner's certificate No. 60728, Joseph Brown, free miner's certificate No. 61201, and Walter L. Lawry, free miner's certificate No. 57231, all of the said town of Rossland, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

F. M. MCLEOD.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 1895.

Certificate of Improvements.

"ALBERTA" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: South and joining the Iron Colt Claim.

TAKE NOTICE that I, A. S. Farwell, as agent for Daniel M. Drumheller, No. 61,398, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtainig a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 9th day of November, 1895.

14-11-95 A. S. FARWELL.

COLUMBIA & KOOTENAY RY.

TIME TABLE NO. 5.

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

Trains leave Nelson for Robson Tuesdays and Fridays at 11.30, and Wednesdays and Saturdays at 18.30. Leave Robsen for Nelson Tuesdays and Fridays at 14.00, and Wednesdays and Saturdays at 20.30.

Close connections made at Robson with boats for Revelstoke and Trail Creek, and at Nelson with Str. Alberta.

The company reserves the right to change the time table without notice.

Pacific standard and 24-hour system adopted.

J. HAMILTON, Trainmaster and Agent,
Nelson.

Certificate of Improvements.

"PHŒNIX" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: Northwest of, and adjoining the claim recorded as the Nest Egg and northwest of the Homestake claim.

TAKE NOTICE that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for the Phœnix Gold Mining Company (foreign), free miner's certificate No. 64,467, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 25th day of November, 1895.

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Situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Red Mountain, lying south of the "St. Elmo" and "Mountain View" mineral claims.

TAKE NOTICE that I, J. F. Ritchie, acting as agent for James Garrison, F.M.C. 61,342, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1895.

J. F. RITCHIE.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

"MONDAY" MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: Adjoining the "Homestake" mineral claim on the west.

TAKE NOTICE that I, J. F. Ritchie, acting as agent for Norman A. MacKenzie, F.M.C. 57,101; H. F. McLean, F.M.C. 60,651; A. T. R. Blackwood, F.M.C. 56,418; Elie La Valley, F.M.C. 61,457, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

J. F. RITCHIE.

Rossland, B.C., Nov. 28, 1895.

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TIME TABLE NO. 8.

Taking effect Monday, November 11, 1895.

Nelson-Kaslo route—Str. Nelson.

LV. NELSON.		LV. KASLO
.....	Monday	3 a. m.
5·30 p.m.	Tuesday	.....
2·30 p.m.	Wednesday	3 a. m.
5·30 p.m.	Thursday	8 a. m.
5·30 p.m.	Friday	3 a. m.
5·30 p.m.	Saturday	8 a. m.

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Bonner's Ferry route—Str. Nelson

Leaves Kaslo for Bonner's Ferry at 3 a. m. on Mondays

Leaves Nelson for Bonner's Ferry at 8 a. m. on Mondays.

Leaves Bonner's Ferry at 2 a. m. on Tuesdays for Pilot Bay, Nelson, Ainsworth and Kaslo.

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Revelstoke route—Str. Nakusp.

Leaves Wigwam for Nakusp and Robson, Mondays and Thursdays at 7 p. m.

Leaves Robson for Nakusp, Wigwam and Canadain Pacific Railway points (east and west) on Tuesdays and Fridays at 6 p. m.

Connection is made at Robson with C & K R'y for Nelson and with Steamer "Lytton" for Trail Creek and Northport.

Trail Creek-Robson route—Lytton.

Leaves Trail creek for Robson on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 a. m.

Leaves Robson for Trail creek on Tuesdays and Fridays at 4 p. m.

Connects at Robson with Steamer "Nakusp" for Nakusp and Revelstoke, and with C. & K R'y for Nelson and Kootenay Lake points.

Northport-Trail Creek—Str. Lytton

Leaves Trail creek for Northport on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6 a. m.

Leaves Northport for Trail creek on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 1 p. m.

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While, of course, it may seem at the first glance as though Lord Salisbury's calm but deliberate declination of the proposal to arbitrate the dispute has put Mr. Cleveland's Government in a position from which it can only escape, without injury to the nation's dignity, by incurring the tremendous responsibility of threatening Great Britian with force, we think the people of both countries may breathe freely. Doubtless Mr. Cleveland's brief holiday among the ducks on the Atlantic coast, has been utilized by him in a close consideration of the matter, and the result is shown in the suggestion which he has made to Congress. Great Britain cannot consider the appointment of a commission to gather information as an unfriendly act, and, perhaps, when the report of its labors is submitted to Congress that body may find that after all it has not suffered that calamity which a great nation may suffer by "supine submission to wrong and injustice," by not interfering in a dispute in which it had no real interest, and in which its intervention could in no way advance that "onward march of civilization," his desire for which has evidently caused Mr. Cleveland so much anxiety and led his administration into a peculiar position.—News-Advertiser.

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