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MINE AND PROSPECT.

Weekly News Nuggets Of Slocan and Other Camps.

GENERAL NEWS OF DISTRICT.

THE EMILY EDITH TO RESUME.

The big Emily Edith mine is to be started up, with a full force, on the first of May. This property is one of the biggest concentrating propositions in the Slocan and its successful operation will necesitate the erection of a mill in the near future.

The Emily Edith, which is situated within two miles of town, has some of the largest bodies of ore blocked out that has ever been encountered in this camp. There was erected on this property last summer the most complete and modern set of buildings, for the accommodation of the employees, in the district. The mine has been developed by a system of tunnels, under the management of E. Rammelmeyer, and there has been nearly one mile of underground development work accomplished, most of which has been driven directly on the ledge. The Emily Edith has shipped to the smelter considerable clean ore, but is looked upon here rather as a big concentrating proposition than a shipping mine.

THE VANCOUVER TOO.

Leslie Hill, manager of the Vancouver Group of mines, arrived in Silverton on Saturday last and spent Sunday going over that property with the foreman W J. Barker. As a result of Mr. Hill's visit the Vancouver mine will resume active operations and a crew of miners will be put to work.

The Vancouver mine which has been practically closed down since June of last year, has always been considered one of Silverton best mines and has been one of our big shippers of high grade galena ore.

The first work contemplated by this company, besides putting miners underground, will be the repairing and improving the wagon road that connects the mine with the main Silverton road. This will keep a force of men busy for about two weeks. As soon as the road is repaired stoping will be commenced in the mine, the force of miners increased and steady shipments of ore will be made from this property to the smelter.

LACK OF TRANSPORTATION.

The Hewett company is busy putting in a system of trails from that mine down onto the Galena Farm flats. They have a lot of ore sacked up at the mine and a large amount piled upon the dumps ready for sacking, but have no way of bringing it into town for shipment to the smelter as there is no road across the flats and the trail is hardly passable. This company if they could get a little help from the government would build a good wagon road to their mine, which would not only tap the Hewett property but would be a main road to the many other promising properties in that part of our district. This road if built would be a paying investment for our government, from the day it was built, for outside of the other properties the royalty paid by the Hewett would more than pay interest on the investment. With a wagon road the Hewett would employ a much larger force of miners and ship a large amount of ore, thus adding to the prosperity and wealth of the whole country.

TO BE REPAIRED AT ONCE.

A letter received by Mr. J. A. McKinnon from the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works authorises him to engage a force of men for the immediate repairing of the Four Mile wagon road and to expend the sum of $450, on the work. This favorable news is the result of the effort made by Mr McKinnon and others to impress upon the new Government the desirability of keeping this road in repair.

SAYS WE ARE "DRY NURSED."

In refering to the recent action of the Senate in adversing the Redistribution Bill, the Saturday Night of Toronto has this to say:

All the same the Senate, which is not an elective body, and does not contain probably more than fifteen or twenty men who could be elected under any circumstance to anything more important than hog reeve of a hill township, has interfered with the electoral rights of the people and and endeavored to control the grouping of voters who are to choose the next House of Commons. The attitude of the Senate is intolerant and intolerable. If Canadians cannot take case of themselves without being dry-nursed by the fidgety political fanatics in the Senate, they ought to be permitted to go to the dogs in their own favorite way, whether that be by the voting of their property to railroad corporations, or the giving away of their liberties by some deliberate act of their own or of their chosen representatives Unless this country is composed mainly of people who are too young to know when and how to blow their own nose, or too idotic to be aware of the appropriate time to take nourishment, there should be a unanimous refusal to have the foolish and shametinted face of the Canadian public pushed up for safety and succor against the withered breast of a barren Senate.

SLOCAN LAKE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Shipments of ore from Silverton for the year 1899. totaled.. .....1693 Tons.
All other Lake points.....1385 "

The shipment of ore from Slocan Lake points, up to and including the present week, from Jan. 1, 1900.

From Bosun Landing.	Tons.
Bosun	220
From New Denver	
Hartney	20
Capella	7
From Silverton	Tons.
Emily Edith	20
Vancouver	20
Wakefield, (concentrates)	60
From Enterprise Landing	
Enterprise	300
From Slocan City	
Arlington	280
Black Prince	60

THE METAL MARKET.

New York, Apr. 18.—Bar Silver, 59⅞c Lake copper, $16.50.

Lead—The firm that fixes the selling price for miners and smelters quotes lead at $4.45 at the close.

MINING LOCALS.

A force of men are again at work on the Storm claim.

Assessment work is being done on the Keystone claim, near town.

Considerable work is being done on the Little Giant claim near the Torpedo.

Hill Bros, boat brought in a load of lumber, on Friday, for the Vancouver mine.

Two carloads of ore from Bosun Landing was the output of the Bosun mine for the week.

W. C. E. Koch shipped a wagon and six horses from here yesterday for the Enterprise.

The Thompson Bros., W. and Al., are encountering some fine gold-copper ore in their claim the Golden Wedge on Red Mountain.

A new tunnel has been started a short distance above the No. 1 tunnel at the Emily Edith mine and is now in a distance of 50 feet.

A mud slide has carried away about 100 feet of the Enterprise wagon road and has stopped the ore shipments from that mine until the break can be repaired.

W. F. Yates will leave on the 27th. inst for Cape Nome, where he goes for a company which is taking up a big dredge to operate in the Cape Nome placers. Mrs. Yates will remain in Silverton.

E. Rammelmeyer, superintendent of the Emily Edith mine, is having some work done on the Dutchman claim, his Ten Mile property. The work is being done by Charley Larsen, former foreman of the Comstock.

On Wednesday G. H. Dawson, who has been spending the winter in the east, returned to Silverton. Mr Dawson who is manager of the Essex Group and Silver Wedge properties will no doubt soon start them up.

On Tuesday the Wakefield Mines shipped two carloads of concentrates to the smelter at Trail. There are now lying on our wharf, ready for shipment, two carloads of concentrates and one car of clean ore from the Wakefield mine,

CLIFFE UP AGAINST IT.

To many whom Mr. Cliffe has seen fit to appeal against as voters, the following letter from Premier Martin will prove of interest. Mr. Cliffe will find before he is through with the Voters' List that his meddlesomeness has made more trouble for himself than it has for others. We publish the letter for general information through the kindness of Mr. Foley, to whom it was sent.

Premier's Office, Victoria, April 11, '00

J. A. Foley Esq.,
Slocan City, B. C.,
Your of 9th inst. at hand.

Mr. Kurtz, Collector of Votes at Kaslo, has written me fully with regard to the 900 appeals and I have advised him as to the law. It is not at all necessary that persons appealed against should appear personally at the Court of Revision. It would of course be advisable to have some lawyer there to represent the right of electors, but the onus is entirely upon the objector to prove that the name upon the list should be struck off. Unless he can give clear evidence that the party whose name is upon the list is not entitled to have it there, it is the duty of the Collector to retain it.

I am very sorry indeed that the mine-owners should have attempted in this wholesale way to disfranchise so many electors and I hope that no man who really has the right to vote will be struck off.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
JOSEPH MARTIN.

THE LOCAL LAYOUT.

WANTED to Rent, a sewing machine. Apply at this Office.

Lumber is being delivered here every week for local builders.

Local dancers enjoyed themselves on Monday evening in McKinnon's Hall.

Dr. H. Burgess, of Vancouver, visited the town professionally during the week.

Getting up with the "son" is a common practice when there is a teething baby in the family.

J. A. Kirkpatrick, who has been revisiting his home on the Atlantic seaboard, returned on Monday.

A handsome addition to the row-boat fleet has just been launched by the builder, J. McRobbie.

Hazelwood's ice-cream is a delicacy now within the reach of all. McIntosh imports it every Friday.

Phil Rowe is building an addition to his house which will make it one of the cosiest cottages on the bench.

The football players here have elected delegates to confer with the League delegates from Kaslo and Sandon.

Many a man makes a mistake by going around telling his troubles when he ought to be advertising his business.

Those who giggled in the back seats of the church a few years ago are now snoring in the front seats. How time does fly.

Now is the time to start your garden Now is the time to seed your lawn. Call at the Silverton Drug Store and select your seeds. †

Man is an animal, but there is something of the vegetable about him, with an apple in his throat, corns on his feet and a heart full of beats.

DIVINE SERVICE will be held in Silverton next Sunday evening at 7:30 P. M., everyone is cordially invited to attend.—John G. Duncan, Presbyterian Minister.

Adam and Louis Scaie, left on Tuesday for the Fire Valley country where they will put in the summer developing their mining prospects.

Officers of the Silverton Waterworks Company were observed busily going over the streets with a tape measure during the week. The first sod will soon be turned.

On Tuesday, last B. Kneebone, Al. Wilds and Perrie Altaffer left for their property on Dayton creek. They expect to do considerable work on the Royal claim one of their properties.

All work in the Jewelry Repairing line, left at the Silverton Drug Store, will be promptly forwarded to Jacob Dover the well-known Nelson jeweler. All repairs are GUARANTEED FOR ONE YEAR. *

Premier Martin will pass through here next Monday morning on his road to Nelson where he will address the electors. As far as can be learned, the Premier will not stop off anywhere in the Slocan.

Yesterday the Finance Committee of the Celebration Committee made a preliminary canvass of the town and secured subscriptions to the amount of about $500. This is an excellent beginning.

A few enthusiasts have been wielding pick and shovel on the lower end of the football field during the week. It is a pity that more of those who delight in kicking the pig-skin do not enthuse when it comes to rolling boulders.

A local runner is anxious to arrange a match for a footrace 100 yards or longer with Jack Gusty of Sandon for $100. to be run here on May 24th. If Mr. Gusty will communicate with this office we will arrange the match.

TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT.

With one exception the various entertainments given on Slocan Lake have of late been good. The day has passed when a fourth class farce company could afford entertainment to a Slocan audience and well it is that this is so. Among the firstclass entertainment being given this season few are as pleasing as that given by Miss Ethel Webb, elocutionist, and W. Graham Hodsdon, tenor soloist. Miss Webb is a gold medalist and graduate of the Toronto Conservatory of Music, which is a guarantee of her training. Reserved seat tickets can be secured at the Silverton Drug Store for their appearance in McKinnon Hall to-night.

INJURED AT THE WAKEFIELD.

Jack Nesbit, one of Silverton's oldtimers who has been employed at the Wakefield Mines, met with a painful accident at that mine last Sunday evening. He was working in one of the stopes, had just gone on shift and had started to pick down the shattered rock made by the blasts of the shift just gone off duty. In prying on a big piece of rock, weighing over a ton, it came down rather unexpectedly and although Jack jumped back and thus saved himself from being crushed to death, it caught one of his feet crushing part of it and making a painful wound. He was taken down to the mill on the tramway and the manager sent a team up and had him brought down to town, where Dr. Brouse dressed the wound. He was removed to the hospital at New Denver on Monday's boat where it is hoped he will soon recover from his accident.

WOMEN AND WAR.

We women teach our little sons how wrong
And how ig noble blows are; school and church
Support our precepts, and inoculate
The growing minds with thoughts of love and peace.

"Let dogs delight to bark and bite," we say;
But human beings with immortal souls
Must rise above the methods of the brute
And walk with reason and with self-control.

And then—dear God! you men, you wise, strong men,
Our self-announced superiors in brain,
Our peers in judgement, you go forth to war!
You leap at one another, mutilate
And starve and kill your fellow-men, and ask
The world's applause for such heroic deeds.

You boast and strut: and if on song is sung
No laudatory epic writ in blood,
Telling how many widows you have made,
Why then, perforce, you say our bards are dead
And inspiration sleeps to wake no more.

And we, the women, we whose lives you are—
What can we do but sit in silent homes
And wait and suffer? Not for us the blare
Of trumpets and the bugle's call to arms—
For us no waving banners no, supreme,
Triumphant hour of conquest. Ours the slow
Dread torture of uncertainty, each day
The bootless battles with the same despair.

And when at best your victories reach our ears,
There reaches with them to our pitying hearts
The thought of countless homes made desolate
And other women weeping for their dead,
Oh, men, wise men, superior beings, say,
Is there no substitute for war in this
Great age and era? If you answer "No,"
Then let us rear our children to be wolves
And teach them from the cradle how to kill.

Why should we women waste our time and words
In talking peace, when men declare for war?

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

READY TO MOVE

Activity of the Boer Renders Early Movement Wise.

London, April 17.—At last Gen. Roberts seems to be on the eve of making his main advance towards Pretoria. Unless all the usually reliable sources of information are at fault, the British army will in a few days march northward. After the many reports that have purported to tell of this movement, there is naturally, even in the best informed quarters, considerable hesitancy in definitely settling upon the day, but it is now thought Lord Roberts is likely to leave Bloemfontein at the end of this week, or the beginning of next.

The long weary wait in the Free State capital has apparently effected a much needed rest, though it is possible that Lord Roberts would still further have delayed his advance, had not the Boer activity forced him to put his forces into such a position that today, unless they quickly proceed northward, the strategic advantage will be lost. The advance will be made with 75,000 men, it is thought.

Rough on Buller and Warren

London, April 17.—The war office tonight publishes in the Gazette a dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated February 13, submitting Gen. Buller's dispatches describing the Spion kop and other operations from January 17 to January 24.

Lord Roberts deals severely with General Warren and some others. Even General Buller does not escape. Lord Roberts complains that the plan of operations is not clearly described in the dispatches. After stating General Buller's intentions, as communicated to Sir Charles Warren, who commanded the whole force, Lord Roberts points out that Sir Charles Warren seems to have concluded, after consultation with his officers, that the flanking movement ordered by General Buller was impracticable and therefore so changed the plan of advance as to necessitate the capture and retention of Spion kop.

Relief Approaching Wepener.

Maseru, Basutoland, April 16.—The Boers for two days have been displaying great activity along the Reddersburg and Rouxville roads. Their scouts report that the British are advancing on these places to the relief of Wepener, and the burghers consequently are divided whether to remain or to retire. A majority of them desire to abandon the investment of Wepener, fearing to be cut off, while the minority, led by Commandant Olivier, are reluctant to move as long as there is a chance to capture Colonel Dalgetty's garrison.

Scouts have just reported rifle firing in the direction of Thabanchu.

Another Canadian Dead.

Ottawa, April 17.—A cable was received this morning from Lieut. Col. Otter announcing the death of Private W. J. Adams of the Seventh fusiliers, of London, Ont. Adams was wounded on Feb 18.

THE DRIFT OF EVENTS.

How fast events are tending towards the realization of what was once considered the visionary dream of imperial federation is plain to one who watches developments in connection with the South African war. The ready giving of aid by the colonies to the mother country met with its response in the compliments bestowed on the colonial troops by Lord Roberts before his departure from England; in the confidence he showed in the Canadians by placing them at the post of danger and of honor at Paardeburg; in the praises showered upon them both by him and by the whole empire for the manner in which they aaquitted themselves on that occasion; in the granting of commissions in the imperial army to 114 Australian officers and to a number of Canadians. All these evidences of appreciation are in strong contrast to the contempt with which officers in the imperial army have been accustomed to treat colonial troops.

At the same time, the imperial government is considering measures to put the idea of federation in practical and permanent shape. Mr. Chamberlain has gone so far as to propose giving the colonies seats in the imperial council when it is considering matters of imperial concern, and Lord Salisbury is said to have such a scheme under serious consideration. The Liberal leaders, with few exceptions, have expressed themselves as in hearty sympathy with this movement. The New Zealand government has already assumed its right to a voice in the South African settlement by entering a protest against the continuance of Boer independence. Such an act on the part of a colony a few years ago would have been regarded as the highest presumption, but it has passed without objection.

One has only to look back 20 years to realize the vast change of sentiment which has come about on this subject. Twenty years ago this month the British Liberals had been returned to office by an overwhelming majority after an oratorical campaign in which Lord Beaconsfield had been condemned by Mr. Gladstone for every step taken to maintain the interests of the empire abroad. The Liberal leader condemned the steps taken to check the Russians at the gates of Constantinople; to prevent Afghanistan from being made subservient to Russian designs on India; to ensure the security of the route to India by the acquisition of the Suez canal and the island of Cyprus; to protect the settlers in Natal by the destruction of the Zulu power, and to secure peace and British supremacy in South Africa by the annexation of the Transvaal republic. The government of India and the protection of the colonies were represented by the Liberal leaders to be such a burden that it was a matter for serious consideration whether those countries should not be turned loose to shift for themselves. The Little Englanders were then in control and the imperialists were scoffed at as jingoes.

Now Herbert Gladstone, the son of the greatest of these Little Englanders, and Lord Roseberry are vieing with their political opponents in their earnest advocacy of imperial unity and federation. The few opponents of the war are being driven from parliament by their indignant constituents and the shilly shally sentimentalists who cry "Stop the War" cannot get a patient hearing.

Federation is in the air, and it will come, not by the cut and dried methods of a constitutional convention, which crystallizes national aspirations with pen, ink and paper, but by that spontaneous mutual attraction and community of purpose which constantly adapt the means to the end in the light of the emergencies of the hour until a good, working plan is perfected. There are many difficult problems to solve, but they will be solved, because all the parties interested are determined to find a solution.

FIREMEN IN POLITICS.

Shaw Admits He Gave Ex-Chief Thompson Money at Election.

Toronto, April 17.—At the investigation by Judge McDougall into the charges that the Toronto fire brigade is organized as a species of civic Tammany, ex-Mayor Shaw yesterday deposed that he gave deputy chief, now chief, Thompson, $300 in the mayoralty election of 1899, when he (Shaw) defeated McDonald and McMurrich. This money was intended to cover Shaw's expenses in two of the civic wards.

A Railroad to Mahomet's Tomb.

Constantinople, April 18.—The Servia, the organ of the palace, announces an imperial decision to construct a telegraph and railway from Damascus to Mecca.

THE VERGE OF WAR

Fight Impending Between Japan and Russia in Korea.

Yokohama, March 31, via San Francisco, April 18.—If the quick and steady dispatch of telegrams from Korea means aught of a really serious nature, the inference is that Japan and Russia are on the verge of war. Outwardly, however, there is absolute calm, and the tone of the press is but slightly bellicose.

Japan, with her great fleet, would make short work of Russia's naval force and command the situation for the time at least, with all the advantages which an added prestige would confer.

IN MEMORY OF THE BRAVE.

Canadian Soldiers Recommend Monument to Fallen Comrades.

Toronto, April 17.—The Globe correspondent with the first Canadian contingent at Bloemfontein, under date of April 16, cables as follows:

"There is a very strong feeling among the Canadian troops here in favor of some action by the Dominion government looking to the erection of a monument to the memory of those from the Dominion who have fallen in battle.

It Cannot Please Them Both.

Toronto, Ont., April 17.—The Ontario government is in a dilemma to know in which county, North or South Oxford, to place the boys' reformatory school, now located at Pentanguishene, which it contemplates moving. Both members for the above counties are Liberals and are both determined to have the new buildings located in thei respective constituencies.

FROM THE SOLDIERS' WIVES.

Bouquet for the Queen—A Visit to Donnybrook.

Dublin, April 17.—After her morning drive, Queen Victoria received in audience the daughter of Sergeant-Major Hartigan, now at Colenso, Natal, who presented her majesty with a bouquet from the wives and widows of the non-commissioned officers and men of the Irish regiments in South Africa.

The Queen's afternoon drive included Donnybrook.

LATEST STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	ASKED	BID
Athabasca	28½	21
B. C. Gold Fields	4	3
Big Three	9	7
Brandon & Golden Crown	23	21
Canadian Gold Fields	7¼	6½
Cariboo [Camp McKinney]	$ 1 03	93
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	$37 50	$33 00
Deer Trail No. 2	10½	9
Deer Park [new]	2	
Dundee	15	11
Evening Star	9¼	8¼
Fairmont		
Giant	2¼	1¾
Homestake	2	1
Iron Mask	34	31
Iron Colt	7	
I. X. L.	17	
Iron Horse		
Jim Blaine	17½	15
Jumbo	25	
King (Oro Denoro)	17	10
Knob Hill	75	65
Lone Pine Consol	16	14
Minnehaha	5½	3
Monte Christo	4½	3
Montreal Gold Fields	7	4½
Morrison	3¾	3
Mountain Lion	95	74
Noble Five	5	2¾
Northern Belle	2½	
Novelty	3	1¾
Okanogan	2½	2
Old Ironsides	97	72
Palmer Mountain	21	16
Peoria Mines	2	
Princess Maud	6	3
Rambler-Cariboo	28	26
Rathmullen	4	3¾
Republic	$ 1 12	$ 1 06
St. Elmo Consolidated	3½	2
Smuggler	1¾	
Tamarac [Kenneth]	6	4½
Trail Creek Hld. Treas	3½	
Van Anda	4½	3
Victory-Triumph	3	2
Virginia	4	2
War Eagle Consolidated	$ 1 46	$ 1 39
Waterloo	4½	
White Bear	2¼	
Winnipeg	15	13
Wonderful	3½	1½

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MADE BLUNDERS

Failure of Buller and Warren the Sole Topic of Discussion.

London, April 18.—The publication of Lord Roberts' dispatch, describing the Spion Kop and other operations from January 17 to January 24, is severely criticised by Spencer Wilkinson in the Morning Post today. He characterizes it as ill-advised. "The effect of it on the army in Natal," he says, "must be positively demoralizing, unless great changes are made in the commands, changes which, if necessary, should have been made without any preliminary public ventilation of mistakes and censure. Since the publication of Lord Roberts' dispatch, the position of Sir Redvers Buller is untenable, and his resignation or recall is a matter of course. But the government cannot be credited with arranging the matter with consideration or generosity. There was no need to trumpet these things to the world. The dispatches might have slept in the archives for the use of future historians, and General Buller's recall might have been arranged with diplomacy and delicacy.

"General Buller was appointed by the government, and by the government he should have been recalled without exposure. Can it be that the government shrinks from taking the responsibility and seeks to shelter itself behind Lord Roberts and behind the expression of public opinion which the dispatches are sure to occasion? If that be the case, the government is certainly not setting an example to its generals in the field. The government is in supreme command and ought to assert its authority without first appealing to the man in the street."

Commenting on the same subject, the Times says: ',Lord Roberts' severe condemnation is justified only too clearly by the official narratives of what took place. The story is painful, but it is well for the nation and for the army that it should be told clearly, without concealment or exaggeration. It is not the least of the great services Gen. Roberts is now rendering the country, that he exposes with judicial impartiality and wise, wholesome severity, errors and omissions in high quarters which have cost us so very much."

They All Roast Buller

London, April 18.—Lord Roberts' criticism of General Buller, General Warren and Colonel Thornycroft continues to be the chief topic of interest. All the afternoon papers comment at length on the strictures of the commander-in-charge in South Africa, taking the same lines as the morning papers, praising Lord Roberts for his frankness and speculating upon what the publication of the dispatches at the present moment portends. Some of them maintain that there is nothing left for General Buller but to resign. In referring to General Buller's report, the St. James Gazette is particularly scathing. The Globe declares that a "more pitiable record of indecision in plan and confusion in execution we have seldom read," and adds that what little reputation General Buller has left has been scattered to the winds.

Disturbed the Trench Diggers.

Practically no developments have been reported so far in today's South African cables. A dispatch from Warrenton, dated Tuesday, April 17, says:

"Finding the Boers busy making new trenches, we exploded a few lyddite shells, following these up with the Maxims. The ambulance was afterwards observed on the spot."

From Wepener there is nothing later than Lord Roberts' message of yesterday, and presumably neither side has gained any particular advantage at any point in the theatre of war since the last official dispatches were received.

How the Blunder Occurred.

London, April 18.—General Warren sets forth the fact that the Spion Kop operations had not entered into his original plans, as his instructions were to occupy a plain north of it. On consultation with the commander in chief on January 21, however, when the question of of retiring from or attacking Spion Kop was discussed, Warren expressed his preference for attacking. This was successfully accomplished by General Woodgate. Then came the order of the commander in chief to put Thornycroft in command of the summit. In the meantime, Warren had sent General Coke up to reinforce him, with orders to assume command. Ineffectual efforts were made to heliograph Thornycroft, and ask if he had assumed command. Towards sunset, he was finally enabled to get orders through and concluded the position could be held the next day, if guns could be provided and shelter obtained. Both those conditions were about to be fulfilled, when, "in the absence of Coke, whom I had ordered to come and report in person on the situation, the evacuation took place, under orders given on his own responsibility by Thornycroft. This occurred in the face of the vigorous protests of Coke's brigade major and others."

In the conclusion General Warren said: "It is a matter for the commander in chief to decide whether there will be any investigation into the question of the unauthorized evacuation of Spion Kop."

Boers at Wepener in a Plight.

Maseru, April 17.—Col. Dalgetty's casualties since he has been besieged at Wepener have been 20 killed and 100 wounded. The Boer losses are reported to have been considerably heavier. After the night attack on April 12 the dead were left on the field, where they still lie unburied.

There is a conflict of opinion among the Boer leaders. Some want to attack again, while others refuse to do so. Desultory cannon firing and sniping continues.

The Caledon is rising, which alarms the Boers, who are now on both sides of the river, and might be cut off if the stream was to become flooded. Five Boer guns are believed to be disabled.

Boer Appeal to Afrikanders.

Capetown, April 17.—The Boer governments are circulating the following manifesto to the Afrikanders in southeast Cape Colony:

"We feel that our fate and the fate of the whole of Afrikander is at stake and we appeal to you to stand and fight shoulder to shoulder with us. You cannot, you may not, allow the tyrant to extinguish forever our finest traits of character as a nation. With you on our side, the issue cannot be doubtful. We must conquer. God grant that love for your country and your liberty and the noble virtues of men truly free may induce you to join us in the hour of our supreme struggle."

Hope Boisterous Weather Continues.

London, April 18.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, in a dispatch dated Wednesday, says:

"It is hoped that the boisterous weather now prevailing may delay the Boers and afford us an opportunity of capturing a number of raiding bands, as only a few drifts are passable."

Will Adhere to Neutral Policy.

Berlin, April 18.—A high official of the German foreign office, in the course of a denial of a number of sensational statements that have appeared in print here, said today to a correspondent of the Associated Press: "Germany sees no reason why the Boer special mission should come to Berlin, as in all the circumstances, Germany will adhere to her policy of neutrality and non-interference."

ALIVE WITH WORK

The Whole Slope of Red Mountain a Scene of Activity.

The bulk of the work on the War Eagle and Centre Star mines is still connected with the installation of the new machinery, for only three mining contracts have been let in the War Eagle and one in the Centre Star.

But the whole slope of Red mountain from the Centre Star to the War Eagle shaft is alive with workmen. On the Centre Star ground, the foundations for the hoist are being laid, the building and gallows frame are in course of completion and will be finished by the time the machinery is installed. Grading is in progress for a timber framing building, which will be an annex to the main hoist house. Plans are being prepared for its equipment with a timber framing machine and all the saws necessary for the purpose. It is estimated that in four weeks this new plant will be ready to take out ore.

The building and foundations for the 40-drill compressor are ready and a tower 40 feet high is being erected to cool the circulating water for the condenser. This will serve to economize water during the dry season.

The eight-inch steam pipe which extends 1000 feet up the mountain from the boilers on the Centre Star ground to the War Eagle hoist has been enclosed in a wooden box, four feet square. This is being filled in with fine sifted coal cinders to prevent the radiation of heat and is protected from water by a drain underneath.

The new engine room of the War Eagle is being fitted for the new hoist. The electric compressor is being overhauled and some changes are being made to put it in good shape.

Plans are being prepared for a crushing and sorting plant for each mine, and these will be installed and in operation during the summer.

CANNOT GO TO BELFAST.

The Queen Regrets Her Inability to Endure the Journey.

Belfast, April 18.—At a meeting of the corporation yesterday, the lord mayor read a letter from Queen Victoria expressing her heartfelt thanks for the invitation to visit Belfast, and her great regret at being compelled to abandon the idea of making any journey during her stay in Ireland, on the ground that the risks of fatigue would counteract the benefits derived from change and rest, which her majesty finds necessary for her health.

The Expedition to Kumassie.

Accra, British Gold Coast Colony, April 17. — The relieving force, which started recently for Kumassie in consequence of the tribal uprising in Ashanti, is probably well on its way toward its destination, but it is reported that the Ashantis will attack the governor before it arrives.

Four Italians Burned to Death.

Newcastle, Pa., April 17.—A large tenement house occupied by Italian and negro families near Rock Point was destroyed by fire last night. David Abiatte, an old man, and his three young nephews, Joseph, Pastelle and Erwin Abiatte, were burned to death.

The Shah Is Off to Europe.

Teheran, April 17.—The shah started from here yesterday on his way to Europe.

Bubonic Plague in Persia.

Teheran, April 17.—An outbreak of bubonic plague is reported in the Javan Rood district, near the Turkhe frontier. Since the disease appeared, three weeks ago, 195 deaths have occurred.

Adventures of Shipwrecked Crew

Victoria, April 18.—The steamer Clayoquot broke her shaft off the west coast and was abandoned. The crew, after a hard time in the woods, found a sloop, with which they searched the coast and discovered the steamer in a sinking condition, and towed her to Uculet in time to save her.

CLOSING IN

Forces Will Corner the Assailants of Wepener.

on, April 13.—The only de-
ent reported up to 2 p. m.
in the cable dispatches re-
here from South Africa was
avy bombardment of the
trenches at Warrenton on
3, which resulted in no dam-
e Boers apparently getting
the impression that the Brit-
ditated an attack.

r Gen. Sir Frederick Car-
, accompanied by detach-
of Bushmen and Scotch
sailed today from Capetown
ra.

ce Adolphus of Teck has re-
to Bloemfontein after a short
Capetown.

m Boer sources it is learned
en. Botha has returned from
hting lines and reports that
itish have removed their camp
direction of Elandslaagte. As
itish camp has been situated
place for some time, the sig-
ce of Gen. Botha's statement
quite clear.

reassuring reports from
fontein published in this
g's papers have done much
tore confidence in London.
correspondents seem agreed
ord Roberts knows what he
ut.

critics of the afternoon pa-
gerly speculate on the possi-
of the Boer commandos at
er being cut off. This seems
possible, as the force from
fontein is advancing by way
wets Dorp, Gen. Chermside is
g the objective with the third
on by way of Reddersburg,
Gen. Brabant's force is moving
Aliwal North by way of Roux-
and Bushman kop, while across
order a strong force of Basutos
closely watching events.

the meanwhile, Gen. Rundell's
ion is concentrating at Spring-
ein, Lord Methuen's force is
g to get to Hoopstadt, and it is
ved that Gen. Hunter's division
strengthen the British left at
teen Streams.

e weakening of Gen. Buller's
by the withdrawal of the
n and Irish brigades, now
r Gen. Hunter, is attributed to
act that the general command-
in Natal has decided that tbe
ing of the passes by his troops
mpracticable, and that he will
ely attempt to maintain the
us quo until Lord Roberts'
n advance shall open his road
ugh Laing's Nek.

eyond the mysterious Capetown
regarding the early expecta-
of good news about Mafeking,
e is no further information at
d in connection with that be-
guered town, which now must
n great straits.

WRONG BOTH TIMES.

The cocksure military cities of the
ndon papers are now revising
ir opinions in the light of facts.
few weeks ago, when Roberts
tered Bloemfontoin, they said the
r was virtually over and talked
ily of the advance to Pretoria as
ough it would be a triumphal
ocession. Now they are ready
turn and condemn Roberts for
ting the enemy break through to
rear.

They were wrong in the first in-
ance and are only half right now.
oberts used up his transport and
ore out his horses in his advance
Kimberly, Paardeberg and
loemfontein. He had to stop and
wait equine re-inforcements, bring
supplies, repair the railroads
nd put matters in such shape that,
hen he once resumed the advance,
e could keep going as rapidly as
e advanced from the northern
ontier of Cape Colony to Bloem-
ontein. Even were all these pre-
minaries completed, he could not
afely advance until Gatacre, Clem-
nts and Brabant had cleared from
is rear the Boer forces which they
ad dislodged from Stormberg,
Dordrecht and Colesberg and driven
across the Orange river. It was
assumed, when Olivier retreated with these forces, that they would remain in one body and might be caught between two British armies. When it was learned that Olivier had worked his way past Bloemfontein towards the main Boer army, it was again assumed that he had taken the whole force with him. The fact now appears to be that he scattered his army into small raiding parties, designed to worry the British line of communications, and only took a small force as an escort to his convoy of provisions &c; or that he returned southward on his raid.

The only serious mistake Roberts seems to have made is in placing too great confidence in the new born loyalty of those Free Staters who have surrendered their arms and taken the oath of allegiance. He appears to have simply scattered in his rear a host of men who will act as spies to the enemy, guiding the latter, posting them as to the movements of the British and treacherously leading the latter into traps set ready for them The Boers have been trekking for sixty years to avoid British rule and would not easily become loyal subjects through the effect of an oath. They know now that British victory means British rule for all time and that the gate is closed against further trekking to escape it, for they are surrounded by British territory on three sides and can only flee into the narrow strip of Portuguese territory on the remaining side. Thus Boerdom is at bay and it will fight to the death. Under such circumstances, it is probable, sincerely as we may hope otherwise, that no Boer can be trusted to remain even neutral until he is either dead or a prisoner.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

The Boer order relating to furloughs betrays anxiety on the part of some to suspend fighting while they attend to their crops.

Some cheerful optimists thought the Strathcona Horse would only arrive at the Cape in time to join in triumphal parades, but they will find plenty to do in chasing the Boer raiders out of the southern Free State.

The arguments of those who have attributed the relief of Ladysmith more to the diversion of Boer forces in consequence of Roberts' advance than to Buller's generalship receive strong support from the savage criticism of an officer who was with Buller. This involves no reflection on the soldiers, who won in many instances in spite of bad generalship, but it means that their bravery was often wasted at an enormous sacrifice of life.

At his own request Gen. Otis has been relieved of his command in the Philippines. The worst criticism made on him is that he has attempted to do too much himself and underestimated his task, but in practically pacifying Luzon, he has accomplished much in 15 months.

WORK ON THE I X L

A Lower Tunnel to Be Run—O K Mill May Be Leased

President John S. Baker, of the I. X. L. mine, is in Rossland from Tacoma and speaks well of the condition of the mine. He said:

"We are drifting east on the ledge on No. 3 level, and are in about 70 feet and have drifted 30 feet west, which brings us to the end line. The ledge holds its width and value, though there is considerable variation in the value on the several levels. We are still shipping ore from the stope above the No. 1 tunnel. The average of the ore we have shipped is over $40 and it would average $25 without sorting.

"We are just about closing arrangements to run a tunnel through the Midnight ground, which would give us fully 150 feet more depth, or as much as we gained by all the three upper levels combined. We are also negotiating with Mr. Glydden for a lease of the O. K. mill with a view to milling the ore."

Artistic Job Printing of every description at this office.

PAIR OF THIEVES

Father and Son Captured for Robbing Cabins on the Coast.

Victoria, April 16.—The provincial police have made an important arrest today. Complaints have come for some time from residents of the islands and along the coast that cabins were being pilfered, and suspicion settled on Bayless and his father Edward, who live on Cadboro bay, the former having served a year at Nanaimo for stealing furs and traps a year and a half ago from Gabriola island. A search of the cabin disclosed an immense stock of stolen property, a lot of which was identified.

The boy was arrested, but the father hid in the woods till last night when he attempted to escape to San Juan island on the American side. The police descried him far out by the aid of glasses and overhauled him before crossing to the American waters. They will come up for trial shortly.

GENERAL ELECTION IN THE FALL

Sir Charles is Confident That Conservatives Will Win

Montreal, April 16.—In an interview this morning, Sir Charles Tupper, who is here on party business, declared that the general elections will most probably be held in September or October. As to the result, Sir Charles said he was more than ever convinced that the Conservatives will be returned by a good working majority.

THE NEW HOIST ARRIVED.

The Centre Star Mine at Rossland is Now Splendidly Equipped.

The new hoist for the Centre Star mine, at Rossland, has arrived from Hooperstown, Ohio. It left that place on March 30 and came through from Chicago by the C. P. R. in the fast time of nine days. It will be immediately installed at the new main shaft, where preparations have been made for it. It has a capacity of hoisting from a depth of about 1500 feet and will greatly expedite the development of the mine.

The B. A. C. has received two carloads of pipe and fittings over the Red Mountain road for the new system of power installation at the Black Bear. Word has also been received of the arrival at Spokane of three 100-horse-power boilers built by the Jenckes Machine company at Sherbrooke, and they are expected here today.

Work has been resumed on the tramway from the Josie and No. 1, which was suspended on account of deep snow, and the ore bins for those mines are also being completed. The two upper bins at the mine terminals, one at each of the mines named, will have 500 tons capacity each. A double bin of 1000 tons capacity will be built at the railroad terminal, one to load Josie and the other No. 1 ore. The stoping of ore in these mines will begin when the 40-drill compressor ordered last September, but not yet received, has been installed.

The trial of the three men who tried to blackmail Munnik, the state mining engineer of the Transvaal, brought out the fact that attempts will be made to blow up the mines when the British invade the country. But that will only increase the indemnity the Boers will have to pay.

Hon. Hugh John Macdonald proposes to accept the Northern Pacific's offer to sell its Manitoba lines by buying them for the province and thus to make a beginning of government ownership of railroads.

The Ontario government is accused of having granted monopolies in the pulpwood of great blocks embracing thousands of square miles of country and of trying to do it again. The Globe defends it, but the World calls it a grab.

BEATS OFF BOERS

Brabant Defeats the Enemy at Wepener and Captures Their Guns.

Capetown, April 16.—It is reported that Gen. Brabant has defeated the Boers at Wepener and captured their arms.

British Losses at Wepener.

Aliwal North, April 16.—It is officially reported that the British losses at Wepener in four days fighting were 18 men killed and 132 wounded.

Fighting the Relief Column.

Brandfort, April 13, via Lorenzo Marques, April 16.—Fighting with Brabant's Horse at Jammersberg Drift continues. Commandant Petous Dewet is reported to have engaged the troops sent from Bloemfontein to Brabant's assistance. There was also a brush with a British column advancing towards Bultfontein, but without decisive results. All the foreign attache are now here.

Will Advance with 80,000 Men.

New York, April 16.—Isaac N. Ford cables from London as follows:

"Optimism is the note of the meagre dispatches received from the front during the last 24 hours. The long halt is nearly ended and preparations are making for an irresistible march northward. It is intimated that General Roberts can leave 20,000 men to guard the railway behind him and still have 80,000 men available for an advance to the Vaal river.

No Grass for Boer Horses.

"One reason for the British confidence is the lack of pasturage on the veldt, which will deprive the Boers of the use of their wiry, hardy ponies. General Roberts' inaction has brought nature into the field as an ally against the Boers. The high veldt leading toward the Transvaal will be without grass after a few hard frosts during the next fortnight, and as President Kruger's warriors will not have any orderly system for the transportation of forage, their raiding operations will be rendered more difficult as the southern winter sets in."

Conflicting News from Wepener.

London, April 16.—2:10 p. m.—Conflicting reports regarding the conditions at Wepener continue, but at this hour there is no definite or important news from the front.

A Capetown dispatch says nearly 3000 horses have been landed there since April 13, which indicates that every effort is being put forth to remedy the great defect in the British organization.

Boer Delegate in Holland.

The chief Boer delegate, Fischer, accompanied by Dr. Leyds, visited the president of the Dutch cabinet today at the Hague. The doings of the Boer delegates create little speculation in England

Frederick Villiers, the veteran war correspondent, who arrived at Southampton today from the front, said he believed the work of the war was over, but that guerilla warfare would continue for some time.

Boer News from Wepener

An official bulletin issued at Pretoria, April 13, reports that the burghers captured 500 slaughter oxen at Wepener and that General Freneman that day defeated the British, causing them to retire in the direction of Wolver Poort, apparently over the Orange river.

The Irish-American ambulance arrived at Pretoria April 13.

The Boers report no casualties during the recent fighting at Warrenton.

Boers Retire in Natal.

London, April 16.—A special dispatch from Ladysmith, dated April 16, 5:40 a. m., says:

"Native scouts have just reported that the Boers in the Elandslaagte district have retired beyond Biggarsberg.

"Other information tends to confirm the report that the Boers have succeeded in blowing up three important collieries near Wessels Nek, completely destroying the engine house and plant."

Deaths Among Canadians.

Toronto, April 16.—The Globe's correspondent with the first Canadian contingent at Bloemfontein cables under date of April 14 as follows:

"Captain Beattie, Toronto, formerly of the Queens Own Rifles, and Private R. Harrison, Montreal Garrison artillery, died today of enteric fever. Beattie had been ill since March 29. Just before he was stricken he was transferred to "A" company as acting color sergeant.

"The following sick and wounded have sailed for England, in addition to those mentioned in previous dispatches:

"By steamer Doune Castle, March 24.—T. Peppeat, R C A, Quebec company; Corporal T. E. R. Baugh, R C A, Montreal company; Private H. J. D. Andrews, 5th R C A, Western company; Privates R. H. M. McLaughlin, R C R I, S. M Ward, Queens Own, and James Kennedy, Queens Own, of the Toronto company.

"By steamer Oratavia, March 31—Corporal J. Smith, Twenty-second battalion, London company; Private A. S. Batson, Fifth R C A, Western company; Private J. H. Sutton, Q U O R, Toronto company; Private MacAuley, Forty-third battalion, Ottawa company.

"Lieutenant McDonald arrived here today from Canada and is posted with the Quebec company. The whole regiment is being outfitted with new clothing and accoutrement."

To Buy Horses for the War.

Toronto, April 16.—Major Dent, of the British army remount service, and Veterinary Inspector Phillips are in the city for the purpose of purchasing remounts for the British army in South Africa.

THE TROOPS CALLED OUT.

Militia to Subdue Croton Rioters, Who Threaten Dynamite.

Croton Landing, N. Y., April 16.—Vague rumors of dynamite being used by the strikers to break the old Croton dam and flood the Croton valley were noised around during the night, but up to an early hour this forenoon everything was quiet and orderly.

When the result of the conference at New York was circulated among the men last night, and they knew that the militia had been ordered to the scene, there were growls and murmurs of increased discontent, and the recognized leader of the strikers made no secret of the fact that the fight would be continued until the men got what they demanded.

The full quota of squadron A, under command of Major O. B. Bridgman, assembled this morning at their headquarters. The troops prepared for field service and will march all the distance, going into camp at Ardley tonight and proceeding to Croton Landing tomorrow.

It was learned that applications for warrants for the arrests might soon occur.

At 8 o'clock about 150 of the strikers gathered on top of the hill near what is called "Little Italy" and they were addressed in Italian by the leaders. The purport of this talk could not be learned. About 40 of the men on the hill were armed with rifles and shotguns. Many of the others carried revolvers and some of them carried hatchets.

THE EXPOSITION OPEN

President Loubet Inaugurated the Great Paris Show

Paris, April 14.—The Paris exposition was opened at noon today by President Loubet, with the words. "I now declare the exposition of 1900 open." Shouts of "Vive Loubet" and "Vive la Republique" arose from his 4,000 hearers and high hats were waved in the air. The crowds outside the hall took up the cheering.

TARTE BREAKS OUT

He Expresses Opposition to the War in Paris Interview.

Quebec, April 16.—Le Soleil, in its issue of Saturday night, reproduced an interview with Hon. J. I. Tarte published in the Journal de Paris, in which the Canadian minister of public works is quoted as saying that it is quite possible 99 per cent of the French Canadians disapprove of the present South African war and think that Canada could have put the money spent in sending contingents to that country to better practical use. "But, as good citizens, we have to submit to the opinion of the majority, otherwise no progress would be made," says Mr. Tarte. French Canadians, he added, were loyal, because they were obliged to be, for reasons economic and social.

The interviewer remarked that some of the French Canadian papers humiliated themselves before the British in a manner painful to observe.

To this Mr. Tarte replied that that was not the case with La Patrie, published by his two sons but under his supervision. He declared that that paper would continue to defend the tri-color, "that unique and holy relic which still binds our hearts to France."

A SURPRISE FAILS

Tagalos in Mindanao Attempt to Storm the Barracks.

Manila, April 17.—Twelve hundred Tagalos attacked Cases, the battalion headquarters of the Fortieth regiment at Cagayan, Island of Mindanao, on April 7. The Americans had 15 casualties, while the attacking force had 50 killed and 30 wounded or taken prisoners.

The enemy, numbering 150 riflemen, their commander being bolomen, archers and mounted spearmen, swooped down in a howling mass at daylight, surprising and killing three of the sentries. They swarmed the streets in small parties, some bringing scaling ladders, by means of which they attempted to enter houses.

The Americans tumbled out of their barracks and formed in the plaza and the companies began sweeping the town, the subsequent fighting lasting 20 minutes. Twelve of the wounded Americans are now on board the hospital ship Relief. The enemy withdrew to the mountains in great confusion.

DOUGLAS LEFT A FAMILY..

Murder of the Soldier Alienates Sympathy for Croton Strikers.

New York, April 17.—Sergeant Douglas, of Mount Vernon, shot last night at the Cornell dam, leaves a wife and two babies. He was a Scotchman, and had served in the British army.

Croton Landing, N. Y., April 17.—Prior to the treacherous and mysterious shooting of Sergeant Douglas last night, the striking Italians had a good deal of sympathy among the people in their fight with the contractors for the construction of the Cornell dam. Since the soldier was shot all sympathy with the strikers has disappeared.

The Shah Is Off to Europe.

Teheran, April 17.—The shah started from here yesterday on his way to Europe.

The Queen's Day in Ireland

Dublin, April 16.—The queen took her customary morning drive today. She will visit Kilmainham hospital this afternoon and thence will go to the castle, where she will take tea with Earl Cadogan, the ord lieutenant of Ireland, and Countess Cadogan.

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EDITORIAL OUTCROPPINGS.

A SPLENDID OUTLOOK, IF——

Within a few weeks, if nothing occurs to change the plans of the managers, nearly allthe shut down mines in the Silverton district will be again at work and the camp will once more feel the gratifying effect of a substantial pay-roll.

All that is needed now to assure the near prosperity of this camp is a guarantee that the Mining Laws are to be left alone. The 8-Hour question more especially must not be reopened. All interests should combine on this matter to force the politicians to regard it as settled and beyond controversy.

With the knowledge that this question has been decided there will be an influx of capital into the Slocan for legitimate mining purposes, greater than ever before in its history, and the Silverton district will come in for a large share of it. The numerous strikes made by the prospect owners around the camp have excited considerable attention from capital and have proved to the outside world that there is room here for many times more companies to operate than are at present in the field. Silverton's citizens are, too, of the right kind, and investors can rest assured that here no busybodies will try to interfere with their investments or throw obstacles in their way when making deals.

With the mines on Four Mile creek in full blast and the beginning of work upon the Red Mountain properties by the companies now investing in that district there can be no doubt of the onward growth of the town, and the establishing of a bank here, now practically certain, will remove the only inconvenience now felt by mining companies locating here.

LOWERY IS THIN-SKINNED!

In our issue of March 24th last, we referred rather plainly to the methods then employed at that time by R. T. Lowery to force local advertisers into patronising the columns of his sheet, the Ledge. The article in question was much appreciated by our New Denver readers, several of whom took occasion to thank us for coming to their assistance. Mr. Lowery, however, imagining that his reputation had been damaged, threatens to take action against us in the courts unless we apoligise, and this week we are in receipt of a letter from a firm of solicitors repeating the invitation to tender an apology.

For one who has shown so little regard for the feelings of others and who has so often invited attack, Lowery is wonderfully thin-skinned. As for his reputation, we would not deprive him of it. We would not take it although a C. P. R. bonus were thrown in. The reputation of a man who would drag the sacred name of "mother" into the columns of his paper in order to festoon it with coarse humor and cheap wit must be a valuable asset.

ALL WE NEED NOW IS A CHANCE

What is hoped and prayed for by the Kootenays from the new Government, whoever they may be, is that they will leave our mining laws alone and give us back part of our taxes for roads and trails. If they will do this we will do the rest.

The Slocan has borne the brunt of the last year's labor troubles, and although there has not been the wholesale failure predicted, yet the effect has been keenly felt in business circles. To give the merchants time to recuperate a long rest is needed.

COMMUNICATED.

The Editors do not hold themselves in any way responsible for the opinions expressed under this head. All communication, intended for this column, must be accompanied by the name of the writer. None will be published otherwise.

EDITOR SILVERTONIAN;
Dear Sir,

Now that dissolution has taken place and a date fixed for the election, a few remarks on the political situation should not be considered out of order, and especially from a laborer's standpoint—the point so generally avoided when discussing politics on the eve of an election.

From out the chaos and turmoil of the late political muddle, two parties, regardless of old party lines, each representing one or other of the two predominant classes in the struggle, have taken definite shape on the political horizon.

One, led by Chas. Wilson, (a C. P. R. lawyer) is composed of the old Turner party, C. P. R. attorneys and agents of the Mine Owners' Association. In fact it is a concentration of the enemies of Labor and good government, organized in defence of Chinese labor to prevent white men from earning a living on the public resources handed over (with a bonus) to private corporations, and such other class enactments as have disgraced the Provincial Statutes for the last ten years.

The other led by Fighting Joe Martin in defence of the 8-Hour law, government ownership of railways maintainance of public resources and a record that is a guarantee of good faith and ability to command success.

There will, of course, be a few straight Labor candidates, who will no doubt coalesce with the latter, and also a small independent Conservative party as an adjunct to the former.

The above is the only logical outcome of the tyrannous efforts of Capital to crush labor organizations out of existence and deprive them of the spirit to seek legislation through the ballot box, even conspiring in their desperation at wholesale disfranchisment. The result is two camps, the one representing Capital in the most offensive form, the Trust and the Combine, backed by the greatest of monopolies; the other representing the people in defence of good government and Provincial resources, backed by the franchise, disguise it how they may.

Laborers, we are just passing through a crisis in the history of the richest of provinces. You will be called upon on the 9th of June to terminate that struggle for existence which is becoming so acute as to mean starvation or subjection in the near future. Your ability to do so imposes a grave, let me say, an awful responsibility. On that day your wives and your families demand the faithful performance of that trust that is placed in your keeping; on that day you cannot help being either recreant or true to your duty as a citizen in handing the sacred heritage of freedom and equality to the rising generation; on that day your fellow workmen demand that you sink all personal and party considerations in order that you may be able to do your whole duty.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, in anticipation, I am

Yours,
J. A. FOLEY.

Slocan City, B. C., April 16, 1900.

LINES IN THE HAND.

An amusing episode occured during the recent sleighing when one of our young men was out driving with his most particular lady friend. The conversation having turned upon fortune telling he asked her if she believed in palmistry. She looked up demurely and naively said: "Well, I don't know, but I think I could fortell more pleasure in the drive if I saw the lines in one of your hands." The fellow sat with bowed head and wrinkled brow until at least two miles had been traveled; then an expansive smile illumined his features. He took the lines in one hand—and grasped the situation with the other.

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Take notice that I, J. D. Anderson, P. L. S., of Trail, B. C., acting as agent for the Kamloops Mining and Development Company, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B14445, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

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

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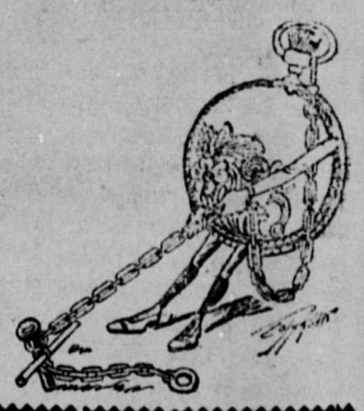

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