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OVER TWO MILES

Of Underground Developement Work Has Been Done During 1898

IN THE SILVERTON MINES.

A New Year's Review of The Work Done In The Hills.

The past year has been one of healthy activity to the many mining properties adjoining and tributary to Silverton. Some of the older properties have been more thoroughly developed and some that were mere prospects, twelve months ago, are now ready to take their places in the front rank of the mines of the province. The amount of developement work done in the Silverton district during the year, aggregates 11,000 feet or over two miles and no other district in British Columbia can point to a better result for the amount of developement accomplished.

There has been no boom, with its consequent wild-cat companies. The Silverton district has been most fortunate in that so far her mines have fallen into the hands of practical business men, who are content to work the mines on their merits and who do not resort to the tricks of the stock jobber to give them a fictitious value. Although many of our properties are stock companies, the stocks are nowhere quoted, for the simple reason that there is little, if any, offered for sale, which in itself speaks volumes for the confidence the owners have in the mines of this district.

We give below a few particulars of some of the mines, but their number and our lack of space compels us to be brief and mention only a few of the more prominent ones.

THE WAKEFIELD MINES.

The Wakefields Mines were started up with a full force early last spring and a large amount of developement work has been accomplished. Their are five tunnels, all driven on the vein, the aggregate length of which is over 2000 feet. A continuous body of ore is exposed the whole length of No 2 tunnel which is in over 800 feet and the ore is also continuous in tunnels No 1, 3. and 5.

Upraises have been driven between No's 1. 2. and 3 tunnels and an estimate of the ore blocked out gives over 3000 tons of clean or shipping besides a large amount of concentrating Over fifty men are at present employed, ore is being stoped and three carloads are being sacked per week. Already 140 tons have been shipped this winter, although raw-hiding has only been possible for the last three weeks. A new raw-hide trail has been built and an ore house erected at the foot of it. It is the intention of the Company however to erect a tramway from the mine to the Silverton wagon road, in the spring. The erection of a concentrator is also contemplated. The Wakefield has grown during the year into a mammoth property and by some considered to be the biggest Silverton mine so far opened up.

THE COMSTOCK MINES.

At the Comstock Mines nearly 3000 feet of underground developement work has been driven, consisting of tunnels. winzes and upraises. One year ago there were four tunnels being driven and not a winze or an upraise in the mine. Now there are 600 feet of raises and several winzes. The principal new work consists of the following.

No 4 tunnel, which is in some 600 feet, and with the exception of a short piece at its mouth has been driven directly on the vein. This has opened up and exposed a large amount of both shipping and concentrating ore and has a foot of clean ore in its face. This tunnel cuts the ore shute at a depth of 550 feet and raises have been put through to No 3. tunnel above it, showing the ore to be continuous,

No 3 tunnel has been extended and is now over 700 feet long and two raises have been put through to No 2 tunnel above it, both raises showing from five inches to two feet of clean ore all the way, besides a large amount of concentrating ore.

The No 5 tunnel has been driven still deeper and is now the longest tunnel in the district.

A new tunnel has been driven below No 5 and is known as No 8. It has cut some of the richest ore yet discovered on the property and an upraise has been put through from it to No 5 tunnel.

Besides this a large amount of other underground work has been accomplished during the year.

The outside improvements consist of the extending of the Silverton wagon-road to the mine and a concentrator of 50 tons per day capacity, is being erected and will be in running order within a few weeks. The company during the year has shipped 225 tons of ore that has netted handsome returns. The stockholders are to be congratulated on the large amount of work accomplished and the wonderful improvement in the property, due principally to the excellent management it has had.

AT THE VANCOUVER GROUP.

During the past year about 1000 feet of underground developement work has been driven at the Vancouver mine. The principal work has been the driving of the No 3 tunnel, which consists of 325 feet of a crosscut and over 450 feet of driftiug on the vein, besides an upraise of 130 feet put through to No 2 tunnel above. The old workings between No 1 & 2 tunnels have received a general overhauling, three new shutes have been put in, drifts extended and new ore bodies opened up and at the present time stoping is being done here and two carloads of clean ore per week is being extracted. The new work done this year has been the means of opening up and blocking out over 1000 tons of clean ore which, with the ore already in sight, makes a big showing. This ore is amongst the richest in the whole Slocan region and is fairly alive with ruby silver and grey-copper. Specimens can be obtained running into the thousands and $2000 net per car is nothing unusual for this ore. During the year 400 tons have been shipped and a much larger amount is to be shipped during the coming year.

Considerable outside improvements have been done, new ore bins, ore house and blacksmith shop have been erected at the mouth of No 3 tunnel. A new system of ventilation has been installed, known as a water suction blast, which is a complete success and making the Vancouver the best ventilated mine in the Province. The buildings for the accomodation of the employees have been remodeled and made as comfortable as possible, being from a sanitary point of view well nigh perfect. Under the present management everything has moved like clock-work and the Vancouver stands today as a model among the mines of the province, of what a well opened mine should be.

EMILY EDITH MINE.

The Emily Edith one year ago was a fine prospect with a remarkably good surface showing. To-day it is one of the biggest mining propositions on the continent. About one year ago the present owners acquired the property and at once put a force of men to work developing the mine, resulting in 1500 feet of work having been done. Two tunnels have been driven. The upper one is now in over 700 feet, and in running this tunnel three carloads of clean and 4000 tons of concentrating ore has been taken out and piled up in the ore bins. Several cross-cuts have been run and the ledge has been proven to be from 50 to 60 feet wide, filled with ore. A raise has been started 600 feet in and is now up 35 feet.

The lower tunnel is in 400 feet and has already penetrated the vast ore body exposed in the upper workings. Everything coming out of both tunnels is ore and a large porportion of it clean. The company have erected suitable buildings at the upper tunnel and are at present excavating for buildings and bins at the lower tunnel. This company owns a fine mill-site, a large amount of land and a good water-right. In the near future a concentrator will be erected, which necessarily must be a big one as the output of the mine will be tremendous. This mine has, without doubt, the largest ore bodies yet discovered in the Silverton district and will be able to give employment to an army of men. Situated as it is, within a short distance of town, it is destined to be our main support. The Emily Edith mine could not have fallen into better hands than the present management who are conservative, practical mining men, who have proceeded to open up and thoroughly develope the property in a systematic manner.

THE GALENA MINES.

Probably the most widely known of all the Silverton properties is the Galena Mines, owing to the fact that its flotation occasioned a good deal of criticism in the [illegible] Local's nothing is known about the amount of work done during the year nor the

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THE HOLIDAY WEEK.

How Silvertonians Spent the Week's Holidays.

MINERS REMEMBER THEIR COOK.

The Week's Notes and Gossips in a Busy Burg.

A merry load of pleasure seekers left town on Christmas morning, bound for the Vancouver Mine, where they where they were to be the guests for the day of the management. Although a sleety snow was falling, nothing could dampen the ardour of the party and the Company's buildings were soon invaded by a rosy cheeked outfit.

The drive had sharpened their appetites and the Christmas dinner prepared by Bert Wilhelm was tempting enough to make even a dyspeptic throw away all thought of the morrow in the joy of feasting. After the guests had been seated, Foreman Barker summoned Mr. Wilhelm, the preparer of the dinner and to whom the miners owe so much of their comfort, and after a neat speech presented him with a beautiful watch charm set with a splendid diamond. On the reverse side was engraved, "Presented to Bert Wilhelm by the employees of the Vancouver Group Mines. Xmas 1898"

Mr. Wilhelm, although taken by surprise, rose to the occasion and thanked the men heartily for their gift and for the spirit displayed in its presentation.

After partaking of the dinner prepared for them, which included every delicacy in the market, the guests fully understood why the men so appreciated their cook.

As soon as they were able to move about after dinner, the party resolved to explore the mine and they accordingly dared the unbroken trail. The snow had fallen so deeply that the ladies of the party, and there were some tall ones there, were nearly engulfed. With candles in hand, the ladies followed Foreman Barker through the intricacies of the mine and each mined a specimen with her own fair hands as a souvenir of the trip. The raises were a source of dismay and the "Thank God" uttered by one fair damsel on regaining terra firma, was spoken in no irreverent tone.

The return trip to town was made in good time and the party resolved that thanks to the Vancouver Mine people they had had a Merry Xmas.

THE CHILDREN MADE MERRY.

The Christmas Tree Entertainment given last Monday evening was a well-attended success The gaily decorated trees, of which there were two, were heavily laden with gifts for young and old. The program passed off smoothly, the school children taking their parts well, showing the careful training they had had. A. A. Webb made a splendid Santa Claus, bringing out the laugh in the many josh presents on the trees. On account of the great weight of snow on the Hall roof, it was thought advisable not to have a dance after the entertainment, as was first planned.

SLOCAN CITY NOTES.

From our Regular Correspondent.

The Quadrille Club gave a dance in the Music Hall on Friday night, which was well attended and was an enjoyable affair.

Hogan's Alley gave their second Annual Banquet at the Wilson House on Christmas evening. There were 52 guests assembled to do honor to the occasion and incidentally to partake of the turkey. The Yellow Kid was present and J A Purviance, J W Kyte, C Snyder and Ralph Gillette of Silverton were among the guests. After paying attention to the dinner, the banquetters proceeded to business byelecting A E Teeter as chairman. He responded in a short speech, thanking the meeting for the honor, and declared business in order

Several interesting speeches were made, interspersed with music, vocal and instrumental. The chairman was again called upon to speak and calling Mr F G Carlisle to the chair, he made a short speech, reviewing what had been accomplished in a few short years in the country and in Hogan's Alley. Several votes of thanks were passed, as follows: To G Adams, Paul Hauck and G Stoll, Banquet preparations: to A E Teeter, for the use of the commodious dining room of the Wilson Hotel, and to Dan Hanlon for the able manner in which he handled the mineral exhibit at the Spokane Fruit Fair in October last.

The following committees were appointed: On Annual Banquet, Messrs. Hauck, Aitcheson, Teeter, Hanlon and Stoll; On finance, Messrs. Hauck, Teeter and Markeson. After singing "America" and "God save the Queen," Hogan's Alley Banquet was declared adjourned for one year.

The men from the Bank of England m. c., who were spending Christmas in Slocan City, returned to work Wednesday. The lessees are feeling encouraged by the outlook and are now taking out good ore, but no stoping is being done. They intend to push their drift ahead about 40 feet further, before commencing to stope.

There is some talk of the force at the Arlington being increased soon.

A PASSING SLIDE.

Scott Thornburg, one of the men at work for Anderson & Brady was caught in a snowslide on Monday, while at work breaking the trail. Fortunately plenty of help was at hand for a rescue. Two mules, caught in the same slide, were completely buried and were exhumed only in time to save their lives, after much hard work. The work of opening the trail was postponed after the accident, the danger from passing slides being too great. The trail is now again in good condition and the work of rawhiding the Wakefield ore has taken another spurt. Twelve mules under the charge of four men are kept busy,

YOUR LIFE INSURANCE POLICY.

In considering the question of Life Insurance and in taking a policy upon which you agree to make payments for 10, 15 or 20 years you should remember that hard times may come, when perhaps the premium cannot be raised and so the policy and all the money paid on it be lost

If you have a policy in the New York Life and be caught in the fix mentioned above, you will find that the Company will make you a loan on the sole security of the policy, which will enable you to tide over the hard times.

We advise our readers to examine any policy offered and if there is no loan clause, reject it. And take instead one issued by The New York Life, through its local agents Cross & Co, and by so doing you will not only get the best policy issued but will be lending a helping hand to a home firm, whose interests are one with those of your town.

THE LOCAL LAYOUT.

Private, bath rooms at Tom Mulvey's.

School-books at the Drug Store. †

Xmas Cards at J. I McIntosh's.

Colonel Lowery has, we are informed, filed an abandonment on Lowery's Golden Claim, which he recently staked in Rossland. The surface showing was not sufficiently promising. He will confine his future attentions to the workings in the New Denver Ledge, hoping for the eystreak to widen.

It has been decided to continue permanently the tourist car, which for the past few weeks has been attached to the trans-continental train of the C. P. R which leaves Vancouver on Thursdays The car goes right through to St John, New Brunswick, where it connects with the Dominion and Allan line ocean steamers.

The C. P R. has announced that round trip tickets at single fare rate will be sold between all Kootenay points south of, and including, Nakusp, from the 20th instant, inclusive. Such tickets are good for return until January 4. Round trip tickets will also be sold under the same conditions on Dec. 30 & 31. and Jan 1st, which will also be good for return until Jan 4.

ABOUT PEOPLE WE KNOW.

Mulvey's Laundry is up to-date in the First-class quality of the work turned out.

Harry Wilson returned Tuesday evening from the Halcyon Springs, where he had been spending the holidays.

The B. C. Syndicate has bought the Wm. Hunter clothing stock from Brooklyn Jake Kirkpatrick was in Cascade last week, making the deal.

John L. White, the Slocan City druggist, intends opening a store in Cascade City. He has purchased a lot there and will commence building immediately.

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THE ARCHBISHOP IRELAND

AT THE CAPITAL OF THE CZAR.

Appointed by the President to Attend the Peace Congress—His Appreciation of Ireland's Republicanism—Will be Other Represtatives.

New York, Dec. 27.—A dispatch to the Journal from Washington says:

Archbishop Ireland will represent the United States at the czar's peace congress.

The president has had the subject under advisement for several weeks, and according to the best authority it may be said the decision was recently reached, the archbishop having agreed to accept the appointment.

Ever since his induction into office the president has been anxious to testify his appreciation of Ireland's republicanism, which took the form of strong interviews and speeches during the campaign of 1896, and of his mental gifts and learning. The czar's call for an international peace congress at which his proposed universal disarmament is to be discussed, has presented exceptional opportunity to honor Ireland in an illustrious manner. As the representative of the United States in such an assemblage, his position would comport with the dignity of ecclesiastical office while not interfering with its duties, owing to the temporary character of the political appointment.

Aside from the pleasant effect such a designation would have upon a large proportion of the population of this country, it is assumed the United States would gain prestige among Catholic nations represented at this congress, as well as achieve for the president a reputation for good taste in selecting for a peaceful mission a professional messenger of peace and good-will.

It is not yet known whether the archbisfiop will be the sole representative of the United States or whether he will head a delegation of three or five representatives.

QUESTION OF ECONOMY.

Mr. Jawhim Was More Than Sufficiently Answered by His Wife.

Mr. Jawkim had been thoughtless enough to say at the supper table that he'd like to know why his wife could not trim her own hats and bonnets.

"Dawson says that his wife trims all of her hats and bonnets," added Jawhim.

Mrs. Jawhim paused in the act of pouring a cup of tea and said:

"Oh, she does, eh? And you'd like to know why I don't do the same, would you? Well, I'd like to know why you don't do a great many things you hire done that you could do yourself as easily as I can turn to and trim hats and bonnets?

"I'd like to know why you pay old Hogarty $1 a week for cutting the lawn grass when you could do it yourself? Mr. Dawson cuts his grass, and his lawn is a great deal bigger than ours. I could buy two or three hats with the money you might save cutting that grass. Now, why don't you do it? I really want to know. Why don't you answer me?

"Then I'd just like to know why you don't shave yourself instead of running off to a barber shop three times a week and paying 20 cents each time. Will you tell me why you don't shave yourself and save 60 cents a week, which would buy you a nice suit at the end of the year?

"Mr. Martin shaves himself, and he has to get down town an hour earlier than you every morning. Will you just tell me why you don't shave yourself? I want to know. My father shaved himself all his life, and he was a busier man than you ever were, and I've heard my brother Henry say that he never went to a barber in all his life. And while I am acquiring information I'd like to know why you must have your boots polished by a bootblack every day instead of doing it yourself?

"When I was over to Mrs. Hagny's the other day she took me down cellar to show me her canned fruits and preserves, and there was a box all fixed up with shoe blacking materials, and she said that Mr. Hagny polished his own boots down there every morning of his life, and he could buy and sell half a dozen times over any day. Yes, and Mrs. Hagny told me that he took care of his cellar himself, while you must pay old Hogarty 50 cents every now and then for cleaning our cellar! If Mr. Hagny can polish his boots and clean his cellar why can't you polish your boots and clean your cellar? I'd like to know that!

"If I were you I would try to answer some of the questions to my own satisfaction before I lay awake nights trying to puzzle out why my wife didn't trim her own hats and bonnets, and go around looking like a guy; yes, I would! And when you've answered these questions I shall want to know why——"

And as Jawhim fled from the table she called out shrilly:

"I want to know if you are coming back here to eat your supper? I want to know that!"

Sailed From Valparaiso.

New York, Dec. 23.—The Oregon and Iowa sailed yesterday from Valparaiso. The people gave the American sailors a cordial reception.

Columbus Is in Quarantine.

Bermuda, Dec. 26.—The Spanish ships Infanta Isabel and Conde de Venadito, bound for Spain, from Havana, here on the 19th for coal and provisions, are detained in quarantine for observation.

The Conde de Venadito is said to have [illegible] the remains of Columbus in transit for Spain.

NEARLY A MILLION A MONTH.

Revenues of Manila Under Unfavorable Circumstances.

New York, Dec. 26.—Brigadier General S. Whittier, who went to Manila as an inspector general on the staff of General Merritt, has returned to New York on the St. Louis with the peace commission. He took part in all the land fighting around Manila, and when peace was restored he was put in charge of the collection of customs at Manila.

"Between August 20, when I took charge, and October 31, when I was ordered to report to the peace commission at Paris," said General Whittier, "the port of Manila yielded customs revenues amounting to $1,000,000. This gives no idea of what the customs receipts would be during 40 days of peace and the ordinary pursuits of commerce.

"The value and commercial advantages of the Philippines properly administered are very great to any country that will develop them. The Filipinos are a well informed people, peace-loving, thrifty and orderly. What they want most is a government that will allow them to attend to their own business. If they can do that in peace and quiet, they will welcome the new government. Aguinaldo comes nearer to being a great man than any other of 29 years I ever knew. As we consider age, he is a mere boy. Yet he has done wonders in fighting the Spaniards."

WASHINGTON.

Okanogan county has an area of 30,000 square miles of fruit, grain and mining territory.

There are nearly 200 students in Whitman college, including those of the conservatory.

A depot building will be erected at Ritzville during next summer and will be fitted with all modern conveniences.

The government telegraph office at Pysht will be removed next month to Twin rivers and there located permanently.

The office of the state dairy commission has been moved to Seattle. Commissioner McDonald has already established his headquarters.

The Kettle river stage line will soon inaugurate a daily stage service between Greenwood and Cascade, taking in the new town of Niagara.

The glee and mandolin clubs of the Washington agricultural college gave their third annual entertainment in the college auditorium last week before a large audience.

The club will start on its tour of the state during the first week in January.

Right-of-way deeds from the following persons to the Snake River Valley Railroad Company have been filed for record in Walla Walla: William Yeend and wife, $50; Joseph Davin et al., $150; Hippolyte Davin and wife, $100.

Supt. E. B. Hyde, of the forestry reserve, has been instructed from Washington City to remove his headquarters from Spokane to Everett. The department believes that the service will be the better rendered from western Washington.

A bulletin on "Alkali Soils" is soon to be issued from the division of agricultural soils of the state agricultural college. This bulletin is of special interest to irrigated sections of the state. All persons desiring the same should send their names at once to Prof. Elton Fulmer, Pullman, Wash.

Another trial will be made this year to have a state wagon road established and constructed from Lyle, in Klickitat county, to some point in Clarke county, via Stevenson. A bill ordering this road constructed was passed at the last session of the legislature, but was vetoed by Gov. Rogers.

The board of control of the Spokane fruit fair in anticipation of next season's exhibit has let a contract for the making of a big circus tent. It will be 100 feet wide by 350 feet long; an entrance tent 50 feet wide by 150 feet long; an annex tent 60 by 120 feet in size. The entire contract including poles and ropes will cost $4,100.

As a result of the November examinations for teachers in the various counties of the state 411 certificates have been issued from the state superintendent's office out of a total of 652 applicants. Of the 411 certificates issued, 334 were upon examination, 13 were renewals, 64 issued upon normal diplomas, life diplomas and state certificates.

The Gale tract, lying on the south bank of the Puyallup river, next to the Indian reservation line, has been sold on a mortgage execution to A. M. Gale, the mortgagee. This land was taken up by Gale years ago, and sold by him to the Tacoma Land Company in 1889 for $75,000. A mortgage of $40,000 was given as part of the consideration, and the land now goes back to the original owner.

J. D. Miller and son have been spending a week at Kettle Falls, looking over the Lower Columbia river valley as far as Fort Spokane, with a view of removing one of their Kootenai river boats for use in the spring. They say a large trade can be furnished from the surrounding farming country and the new mines down the river.

Mysterious Robbery.

Lima, O., Dec. 27.—There was a mysterious robbery at the American National bank. The amount stolen was from $25,000 to $50,000. The janitor discovered the doors of the vault open. When the inner doors were opened it was found that all the gold and paper money in the bank had been carried away, although sacks of silver money were untouched. There are no marks of violence, and the affair is mysterious.

Missionary to Puerto Rico.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Bishop William E. McLaren of the diocese of Chicago will accept the mission to Puerto Rico to investigate the field there for report to the Episcopal conference. He will start for the new island possession some time before the winter is over. The new mission is of importance to the Episcopal church, as the future policy to be pursued in the [illegible] will be based upon the bishop's report.

AMERICAN COMMISSIONERS

THE PEACE TREATY DELIVERED

It Was Handed to the President by the American Commission—Ceremony Was Quiet and Short—Short Speech by Mr. Day—Homeward Bound.

Washington, Dec. 26.—President McKinley has received from the American peace commission the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain. In presenting this momentous document, Mr. Day, as chairman of the commission, said it represented the earnest efforts of the American representatives at Paris, and that it was submitted with the hope that it would redound to the peace, credit and glory of the American nation. Accepting the treaty from the hands of Judge Day, the president responded with heartfelt thanks and congratulations to the commission as a body and to the members individually. He spoke of all that had been accomplished and of the happy method by which the difficult questions had been adjusted.

The formal ceremony of delivering the treaty to the president occurred in the blue room and lasted half an hour. A great crowd of holiday excursionists filled the railroad station, and in order to avert the jam the special was run on a sidetrack, where the officials had an opportunity to leave the train before it entered the depot.

Chief Clerk Michaels of the state department was on hand as representative of Secretary Hay, and quite a number of officials from the state, war and navy departments, as well as friends and relatives, were there to greet them. As they stepped from the train there was general handshaking and congratulations, and then the party was escorted to carriages and driven to the White house. It was noticed that as Judge Day and his associates came from the train they were unencumbered with any sort of luggage or documents.

But Hon. J. B. Moore, late assistant secretary of state and legal adviser of the commission, carried with him a huge yellow leather case. This case never left Mr. Moore's hands, for in it was the peace treaty which the commission was bearing to the president. Four of the commissioners—Day, Reid, Davis and Frye—took the first carriage to the White house, and soon thereafter Senator Gray, the remaining member, followed with Mr. Moore and the precious leather case.

Secretary Hay was with the president when the party arrived at the White house. The first greeting was quite informal, the president coming to the private vestibule which leads to the special drawing rooms. Judge Day was the first to grasp the president's hand, then followed the personal exchanges. The president remarked on the vigorous health of all the members.

After the president's response some time was spent in informal discussion of the trip, and then all of the commissioners except Judge Day departed. The latter remained with the president for dinner, intending to leave with Mrs. Day at 7:30 o'clock for Canton, where they were anxious to see their family after the long absence.

Mr. Reid returned to New York today, Senator Gray went to his home in Delaware, and Senators Davis and Frye remain at their homes in Washington.

It was stated that the treaty would not be made public at present, the usual courtesy to the senate requiring that it should be submitted to that body before being made public. In the meantime it will remain in the custody of the state department for safekeeping, although copies of it will be in the hands of the president for such consideration as may be needed.

It is the impression that with the submission of the treaty to the president the official existence of the peace commission terminated.

CHANGES IN THE NAVY LIST.

Evans May Succeed to Command of the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

New York, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Washington says:

Capt. R. D. Evans' name is prominently mentioned as Rear Admiral Bunce's successor in the New York navy yard, now that it seems to be decided that Rear Admiral Sampson will remain commander-in-chief of the North Atlantic station and Rear Admiral Schley will be assigned to sea duty in compliance with his request.

Unless congress should pass a law authorizing him to remain on the active list, Rear Admiral Dewey will be placed on the retired list on December 26, 1899. Only one other retirement will occur next year—that of Commodore H. L. Howison, now commandant of the Boston navy yard.

There is a strong sentiment in naval circles in favor of the passage of a law to permit the retention of Admiral Dewey upon the active list for 10 years, as was done in the case of heroes of the civil war.

Work is being pushed by the navy department on the small cruisers and gunboats to be used for patrol service in Cuban waters. It is appreciated that in six days this government will assume control in Cuba, and it is desired that the navy shall be prepared to do its share of service in preserving peace and order in the seaports of the island.

Sagasta's Illness.

Madrid, Dec. 23.—Premier Sagasta was worse yesterday. He is very feverish. His condition caused Spanish interior securities to fall from 56.25 to 55.30.

Carlist agitation continues in several of the northern provinces and a number of agitators have been arrested at Morella, owing to Carlist demonstrations.

The most [illegible] world are those at Warsaw, which accommodate 38,000 soldiers.

TRADE NOTES.

A 640-pound hog was sold at Ellensburg last week.

Nooksack, Wash., is making arrangements to establish a co-operative creamery.

The Puget Sound Flouring Mill at Tacoma has resumed operations, after a temporary shut-down.

William Cannon, living on the Entiat, has sold $700 worth of fruit this year from a four-year-old orchard.

Fruit growers in Clarke county, Washington, are investing extensively in spraying apparatus for next season's work.

Jacob Kinman, of Starbuck, has sold 800 feet of right of way through his place to the O. R. & N. He received $1 per foot.

The Whitman County Poultry and Pet Stock Association is arranging to hold a poultry show in Colfax, January 19, 20 and 21, 1899.

There will be turned into the Columbia this season from hatcheries in Oregon and Washington at least 30,000,000 young salmon.

Fruit Inspector Brown, for King county, condemned over 150 boxes of apples shipped from Olympia this week, badly infected with the codling moth.

Stock on the range in the Lick Fork section is not in extra good order. Fall rains were too light to do much good and grass did not get much of a start.

The salmon run on the sound this season has been very light, compared with other years, and the varieties now running are also in smaller numbers than has been the case for years.

The Blalock Fruit Company, of Walla Walla, on Tuesday shipped seven carloads of dried prunes from that city to Chicago. This is the largest single shipment of fruit ever made from this valley.

At least 75 per cent more apples have been shipped to the eastern markets through Spokane during the fall than ever before. The fruit growers of eastern Washington have opened up a wonderful trade in apples, and one that promises to increase every year.

L. A. Porter, of Lewiston, Idaho, has shipped to middle western and eastern markets this season about 150 carloads of fruit. He says the apple shipments were the most extensive and the most satisfactory.

The report of the Oregon fish commissioner shows that for the fiscal year 1897 and 1898 there were a total of 16,914,512 of Chinook salmon fry planted in the waters of the state. For the year 1898 a total of 17,826,000 eggs were taken or supplied for the various hatcheries.

The Northwestern Railway Company has began grading for the road to the Seven Devils country. It starts from Huntington, and follows the Snake river, the distance being 83 miles. For the first 10 miles there will be some tunneling and rock work, but after that the work will be easy. About 40 men are now employed.

Mr. Davis' Tribute to Lieut. Tiffany.

I wish to speak of one of the Rough Riders whom I knew but slightly, but whom I saw constantly about the camp and on the march, and whom I admired more as a soldier than almost any other man in the regiment. This was Sergeant Tiffany, who, by tradition, and previous environment, was apparently the least suited of men to perform the work he was ordered to do. But he played the part given him as well as it could be played. He was the ideal sergeant, strict in discipline to himself and to others, doing more than his share of the day's work sooner than leave the work ill-done, never stooping to curry favor from his men, but winnig it by force of example and smiling with the same cheerful indifference when an intrenching tool made his hands run with blood, or a Spanish bullet passed through his hat, as one did when he charged the block-house at San Juan. He stood at salute and took his orders from men with whom he had been for many years a college-mate, recognizing in them only his superior officers, and there was not a mule skinner or cow puncher in the regiment that did not recognize in him something of himself and better than himself. When Roosevelt promoted him to a lieutenancy for bravery at the battle of San Juan, I heard him say:

"Tiffany, I am especially glad to give you this step, because you are about the only man who has never by sign or word acted as though he thought he deserved promotion. There are some who are always very busy whenever I pass, and who look at me as though they meant to say, 'See how humble I am, and how strictly I attend to my duties. You who know how important a man I am at home will surely recognize this and make me an officer.' But you have never acted as though you expected to be anything but a sergeant all your life, and you have done your work as though you had been a sergeant all your life, and so I am glad of this chance to make you a lieutenant."

Bliss' Reasons Are Personal.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Secretary Bliss, in an interview with the Associated Press, said:

"I have been in most hearty accord with the president and his policy through the trying days in which he sought to avoid war and while, as commander-in-chief, he was conducting the war that came notwithstanding his efforts to prevent it. I shall leave my associates of the cabinet and of the department and my many friends in Washington with deep regret, but private and personal reasons make my retirement a necessity."

Bolivian Rebels.

New York, Dec. 23.—A Herald dispatch from Bolivia says that the revolution is gaining in importance and strength.

General Caceres has arrived at Sucre from La Paz, an advance force has been started in the direction of Oruoro to encounter President Alonzo's troops. The latter has ordered the Bolivian troops at Mollendo, Peru, to impede all importa[illegible] to La Paz.

Montana state legislature meets Jan. 2.

DOINGS THROUGH THE WEEK

NEWS OF THE WORLD IN BRIEF

An Interesting Collection of Items from the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form—Culled from the Telelgraph Reports.

The Santa Fe railroad has purchased water front property in San Francisco, paying $387,750 for the same.

A special meeting of the Western Passenger Association will be held January 10 to consider the draft of a new association agreement.

The resignation of Andrew J. Smith, governor of the Soldier's Home at Santa Monica, Cal., has been accepted, to take effect March 1, 1899.

Sherry Burke, an old-timer at Butte, Mont., fell down a flight of stairs, receiving injuries from which he died.

Prof. John Bell Hatcher, of Princeton, has gone back to Patagonia to continue his search for rare fossils and explore the interior of the country.

Assurances have been given that Colombia will grant an extension of six years to the Panama Canal Company for the construction of the canal.

Rev. Horatio Stebbins, pastor of the First Unitarian church, of San Francisco, and one of the regents of the University of California, is critically ill.

Stories of the effect of the recent big storm on the New England coast continue to come in, the pranks of the gale and big sea being everywhere evident.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company has given orders for the construction of two new steamers to ply between San Francisco and Yokohama and Hongkong.

Frederick von Hartmann, son of Baron von Hartmann, of Cologne, Germany, was sentenced to five years in the state penitentiary of Indiana for burglary.

John A. Stevens, superintendent of the D. M. Ferry Seed Company, at Detroit, Mich., committed suicide at his residence last week. Insanity is assigned as the cause.

Thirty railroads were represented at a meeting held at the Grand Pacific hotel, Chicago, to consider a plan proposed by Charles B. Mangham for a joint exhibit at the Paris exposition in 1900.

While attempting to arrest Thomas Crosby, a 13-year-old son of a wealthy Chicago widow, Deputy Sheriff Frank Nye was shot and instantly killed by the youthful prisoner.

W. G. Spaulding, cashier of the German-American bank at Port Clinton, O., and Mrs. Martha Jamieson, of Toledo, have been arrested for killing Miss Amy Meeker by performing a criminal operation.

Dr. Howard Agnew Johnson, formerly of Iowa and now pastor of the Forty-first Street Presbyterian church of Chicago, has been formally called to the pastorate of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian church of New York city.

The evacuation of Mariano province in Cuba was gloriously celebrated last week.

Rev. Dr. Theodore N. Morrison, of Chicago, has accepted the office of bishop of the Iowa diocese.

Captain Borchgrevink's expedition has started from Haleait, Tasmania, for the Antarctic regions.

Ambassador Jules Cambon will sail from Havre for New York January 7 to resume his duties at Washington.

Charles W. Davis, commander of the Loyal Legion, and one of the best known veterans in Chicago, is dead.

An explosion on the steamer Fanita at Havana killed one man and fatally scalded three others.

All of the prominent six-day bicycle racers, including Miller and Waller, will soon appear in a race at San Francisco.

Ray Burnett, Joseph Faragher and W. E. Seeling were killed recently in the Columbus mine, located in La Plata, Col.

Owing to recently discovered weaknesses, the United States training ship Adams will not go to Samoa or any other foreign port.

The Midland Railway Company, of London, has ordered twenty-eight freight engines built in Philadelphia and New York.

John D. McCullis of Carthage, Mo., shot and mortally wounded W. G. Gillen yesterday. Gillen was charged with ruining his home.

A dispatch from the Lloyds' agent at Skibberreen, Ireland, denies the rumor that a Transatlantic steamer was ashore off the Irish coast.

The state canvassing board of Kansas has decided that A. F. Scott, republican, and L. M. Mall, populist, tied for the legislature. By drawing lots Scott won.

Chancellor McGill, of Jersey City, has granted a rule to show cause why a receiver should not be appointed for the whisky trust. A big legal fight is looked for.

The Third battalion of the First New York regiment, which arrived on the transport Scandia at San Francisco several days ago, will leave for their homes in about one week.

Mrs. Leland Stanford has filed in the superior court of San Francisco her final account as executrix of the estate of her husband. The immense estate is now in a position to be closed.

Alien Women Can Vote.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—In the contested election case of O. H. Brigham against P. Stanford, the court lays down the rule that alien born women become naturalized when they marry citizens of the state.

The court declares the marriage of an alien born to a citizen is sufficient to make her a citizen, and that she may vote under the same laws that other women vote.

Hitchcock's Nomination.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The senate confirmed the nomination of Ethan A. Hitchcock to be secretary of the interior.

The molders' union label can now be found upon a large number of stoves.

WARSHIPS ARE MOVING.

Gunboat Wilmington to Steam Up the Orinoco.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The gunboat Wilmington has sailed from Norfolk. She will touch first at San Juan, Puerto Rico, and then proceed to the north coast of Brazil, where she will enter the Orinoco river and ascend that stream a distance. This will be the first time in many years that an American vessel has floated in that river.

The Isla de Luzon and Isla de Cuba, two of the vessels sunk by Dewey at Cavite and subsequently raised by Naval Constructor Capps, have safely made the voyage from Manila to Hong Kong, and because of their peculiar fitness for the service will be kept among the Philippine islands for some time to come.

The Cincinnati arrived today at Havana. She is coming north to be repaired at New York. The Annapolis and Vicksburg have arrived at St. Kitts. The Scandia has arrived at Callao, carrying a supply of coal for the battleships Oregon and Iowa, which are closely following her. The battleships will receive instructions at Callao which will determine their course, either to Honolulu or directly across to the Philippines. The Abarenda has arrived at Norfolk, where she will fit out for a cruise to Samoa, carrying a supply of coal and material for erecting the docks and fixtures for the new coaling station at Pago Pago. It will be several weeks before she will be ready to leave the United States.

Deputy Sheriff Killed.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Thomas Crosby, the 13-year-old son of Mrs. Margaret Crosby, a wealthy widow living in Edgewater, a suburb, shot and instantly killed Deputy Sheriff Frank Nye yesterday while Nye was attempting to serve a writ of restitution. The writ was based on a mortgage for $20,000, which had been foreclosed on the Crosby homestead.

Two Regiments for Manila.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Telegraphic instructions were received from the secretary of war ordering the Fourth infantry at Fort Sheridan and the Seventeenth, at Columbus, O., to sail for the Philippines on or before January 15. The regiments will go via New York and the Suez canal.

Committed Suicide.

Detroit, Dec. 23.—John A. Severns, superintendent of the D. M. Ferry Seed Company, committed suicide at his residence here. Severns had been in poor health for some time and is said to have shown signs of insanity for the past few days.

The laws of Austria-Hungary are published in eight different languages.

Kaslo & Slocan Railway.

TIME CARD.

Time card No. 2, taking effect at 1 o'clock a. m., September 1, 1898, Pacific or 120th meridian time.—First class passenger trains:

Lv. Daily.		Arr. Daily.
8:30 a. m.	Kaslo	3:30 p. m.
8:55 a. m.	South Fork	3:05 p. m.
9:45 a. m.	Sproules	2:10 p. m.
10:00 a. m.	Whitewater	2:00 p. m.
10:08 a. m.	Bear Lake	1:50 p. m.
10:20 a. m.	McGuigan	1:38 p. m.
10:34 a. m.	Payne Tram	1:23 p. m.
10:35 a. m.	Cody Junction	1:22 p. m.
10:45 a. m.	Sandon	1:15 p. m.
Arr. Daily.		Lv. Daily.

CODY BRANCH.

Mixed Trains.

Lv. Daily.		Arr. Daily.
11:00 a. m.	Sandon	11:59 a. m.
11:10 a. m.	Cody Junction	11:50 a. m.
11:25 a. m.	Cody	11:35 a. m.
Arr. Daily.		Lv. Daily.

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Leave Kaslo for Nelson, etc., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 4 p. m.; arrive Nelson, 8 p. m.

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At Callao.

Callao, Dec. 26.—The battleships Iowa and Oregon have arrived here.

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Willie—Santa Claus only brings presents to good little boys.

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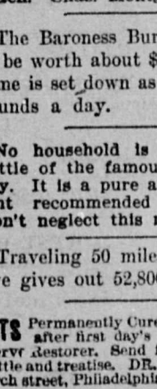

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NEWS OF MINES AND MINING

METALS OF THE NORTHWEST.

Items From the Rich Rigions of the Pacific Northwest, News From All the Principle Mining Camps—Personals—Mining Notes.

George Casey and R. B. Turner, well known in Butte mining circles, have returned from a two weeks' visit of inspection of the Republic mining district in Washington. Ostensibly the object of their visit was an inquiry into the feasibility of establishing a custom mill there. This will in all probability be done if arrangements can be made with the various mines in that vicinity. They were permitted to take from 700 to 1,200 pounds of ore from each mine, making up a car load, to be shipped to Butte for the purpose of ascertaining the most profitable mode of treatment. Mr. Turner pronounces the Republic mine a veritable bonanza, and makes mention of the Mountain Lion, San Poil, Black Tail, Lone Pine and other properties as having large exposed bodies of ore.

The Stuart Hoist in Butte.

The new Stuart hoist, which is rapidly nearing completion, promises to be the largest and most thoroughly equipped of W. A. Clark's properties in the Butte camp.

It is safe to say that the Stuart mine has by this time installed itself among the rest of the solid properties of the camp. When the plans were drawn by James Doull, they were on lines of construction that would not necessitate the stopping of hoisting, and in consequence, a timber foundation of unusual strength was so built as to straddle the old hoist, thus leaving shaft operation unhampered. The dimensions of the new hoist are 30x96 and 70 feet in height.

The Basin District.

M. L. Hewitt, who has arrived from the Basin district, in speaking of that country, stated that there are other properties in that vicinity besides the Hope that will startle the mining world when more fully developed and made known. According to Mr. Hewitt there are mines in that country that are practically unknown and that the development of these claims thus far make a surprising good showing. He feels that the Basin district is destined to become a mining camp of more than mediocre importance.

From New Denver, B. C.

The properties near New Denver, B. C., developing and shipping, are making great progress since the winter forces were put on. The Bosun sent out two carloads of ore last week and another goes Saturday. This makes 507 tons that have been shipped from this property since work was started on it a short time ago. This has all been taken out in the course of development. The ore bodies are improving with depth. Smelter returns give net profits on this ore of $1,464 per carload.

On the Marion, Silver Mountain, the force of men has been increased to 11. The ore showing is much better. They have 200 sacks of ore ready for shipment which weighs 170 pounds to the sack. It runs 85 ounces silver and 70 per cent lead per ton.

On the Hartney, Convention, Anglo-Saxon, Morning Star and Mourich, all on Silver mountain, small forces of men have been at work since early in the fall and all of these properties are making mines. On the Hartney the tunnel is in 30 feet on a strong ledge that is giving every encouragement, and six inches of clean ore is showing in the face. The ore showing on the Convention is quite as favorable. The tunnel on the Anglo-Saxon is in 44 feet and pockets of galena are being encountered.

Number One, Rossland.

A strike of considerable interest has been made in the Number One mine near Rossland, where the vein has been crosscut at the 200-foot level in the shaft. The ore body has thus far proved to be two feet wide, and is of excellent grade. The lowest assay received gave gold and copper values of $2. The rock is clean, fine grained copper pyrites, associated slightly with quartz. The strike was made in the 200-foot crosscut from the vertical shaft, which was started several months ago to open the ledge.

Ymir, B. C.

Ymir can now boast of having two full fledged shipping mines in the Porto Rico and Blackcock. The latter mine will ship from eight to ten tons of ore per day. The first clean up of the Porto Rico mill was made yesterday and a clean up of 94 ounces in gold in 20 hours was taken from the plates. This did not include the concentrates. Old and experienced miners claim that the Porto Rico is one of the richest mines in British Columbia, although the body of ore is not as large as that of the Ymir and Tamarac.

The Granite.

The Granite Mining Company continues to yield better returns, the amount of free gold saved on the plates constantly increasing. It is now in shape to run steadily, barring accidents, and is considered one of the most promising properties in the gold belt. A considerable part of its values are in the form of base ores, but there has been little trouble experienced in concentrating the ore, and there is considerable of it which will stand shipment as it comes from the mine.

Butte and Boston Smelter.

The Butte & Boston smelter additions are of a most extensive character, comprising a large convertor plant 282x72 feet with an annex 57x90, dust chamber with stack 150 feet high, power house and boiler room, and clay house. The plant when completed will give the Butte & Boston smelter a very good comparison with the other institutions of that kind here. The new convertor plant will have six convertors and one forty-ton and two seven and one-half ton carriages.

White Bear.

The Mammoth will have an air compressor to furnish power to drive its lower tunnel as soon as it can be got in position. The boiler is already on the ground and the machinery of the compressor is expected next week. The tunnel is now in 125 feet or more.

The boiler of the Joe Dandy has been hauled over from Murray and will be shipped to the Canyon Creek Electric Light Company at Burke. It weighed 12,000 pounds and was brought over in sections.

The Morning Glory.

Samples of ore from the Morning Glory claim taken from across the ledge at two feet, six feet and 10 feet depth across 18 inches, assayed $665.36. This is the richest ore ever discovered in the camp so near the surface.

Mining Notes.

There is still fully four feet of clean and solid ore in the face of the drift in the Golden Harvest, which is being advanced at the rate of about four feet per day.

The Palo Alto is improving with every blast and the high hopes that were raised in regard to the property when it was exposed at the collar of the tunnel that is now being run, have in no wise diminished.

The Ben Hur drift is progressing at the usual rate and the ore also maintains its high grade. T. M. Hammond has begun the survey of the joint tunnel that is to be run by the Ben Hur and North San Poil companies.

The Black Tail drifts are looking fully as well as for some time past and there has been no diminution in the size of the ledge in either drift. Both are now carrying high grade ore. The mine is being rapidly put in shape for stoping and it is now assured that before there is a mill in camp to do custom work the mine will be ready to produce almost any quantity that it may be called upon to furnish.

The Trade Dollar drift is making fairly good progress and the ore is not less valuable than heretofore and is more solid than where first cut by the tunnel.

Superintendent Crummer says that there is no material change in matters at the Iron Monitor tunnel. It is being driven ahead at a remarkably good rate of speed.

The new tunnel on the Golden Harvest has been surveyed and work has begun. It will tap the ledge at a depth of nearly 500 feet. It will be about 900 feet in length.

The Quilp is now making a wonderful showing of high grade quartz and continues to improve in width and value as the shaft goes down. As there is no house over the shaft, work has progressed rather slowly during the cold snap.

Stringers of quartz are coming into the face of the tunnel on the Lily claim. This is presumptive evidence that the ledge will be encountered much sooner than was anticipated. The quartz is apparently of good quality.

There has been a change for the better in the appearance of the quartz in the Treasury tunnel and this was found to be not deceptive by assay.

The Merrimac shaft is 100 feet deep and a cross-cut has been started. The foreman states that everything is looking satisfactory. It is not thonght the ledge is more than 40 or 50 feet away, but it may be much farther.

There is one shift working on the Eureka Queen. The north drift is being extended. The Eureka tunnel was only extended about 20 feet beyond the ledge.

A force of men have been working on the Minnie claim for several days. The property is supposed to be the north extension of the Republic lode.

There is now in the bottom of the Mary Ann shaft five feet of solid ore that is better than any that has heretofore been encountered.

There are 20 men working on the Golden Lily. The work is to determine the trend of the ledge. The Lily lies near the Morning Glory.

Development work is now going on in the Q and Insurgent ledges. They adjoin the Lone Pine and Last Chance lodes. A Spokane company is being formed to operate the properties.

The Lone Pine developments are most favorable for it to become a great mine. There is certainly a wonderful body of ore in sight on the surface, and it is reasonably certain that it will be found to continue down to a depth of several hundred feet at least.

There are no special new features in the situation at the San Poil. The ledge has not diminished in size and the values are said to be up to their former standard of excellence. Progress is not rapid in the drifts, as the rock is still very hard.

Ore shipments from Rossland for the week ending December 17, 1898, were as follows: War Eagle, 1050; Le Roi, 765; and Iron Mask, 18—the Le Roi shipping to Northport; remainder to Trail.

People are coming into Republic at a rapid rate. The sleighs come in crowded, and others come on foot and in all possible ways. It is unfortunate the rush has begun so soon, as many of those who come will probably be unable to get work and unless well supplied with money will have a hard time to pull through the winter.

Zinc ore is still climbing up in price, passing the $40 notch, the highest in years. A few weeks ago it was $34.

The only important paying silver mine in Colorado is the Commodore, a Creede bonanza. It has already this year paid $360,000 in dividends, and is now paying $48,000 a month.

An assay was recently made in Rossland, B. C., of an average sample of 200 pounds of ore from property of the Okanogan Free Gold Mines, and it gave a return of 23.60 ounces, or $472, in gold.

Cargo on Fire.

Astoria, Ore., Dec. 27.—The steamer Lakme, from Puget sound, put into Astoria this morning with her cargo of lime on fire. An attempt is being made to smother the fire with steam.

Washington State Dairymen's Association, Ellensburg, Dec. 28-29.

Spokane poultry show, Jan. 24-28.

REPORT NICARAGUA CANAL

RIVER TO BE TURNED ASIDE.

The Cost Is Estimated to be One Hundred and Thirty-Five Millions—Great Depth Is Required on the Divide—Excavation for the Locks.

New York, Dec. 24.—The preliminary report of the Nicaraguan canal commission consisting of General Haines, Admiral Walker and Professor Haupt has been completed and will be read before the Christmas recess of congress or immediately afterward. This report will give many details of construction in regard to the proposed route and will give a close figure on the entire cost of the undertaking as far as human ingenuity can foresee.

A summary of these costs have been made out in sections and without going into the details of curves and levels they are as follows: Eastern harbor and jetties will require about 9,000,000 cubic yards of soft excavation. The jetties themselves require about 400,000 cubic yards of riprap stone.

The Greytown section of the canal, that is, the section beginning at the harbor and reaching to the east divide, will require 16,000,000 cubic yards of earth and clay excavation.

The three locks in this section will cost in the neighborhood of $10,000,000 complete, with three million yards of excavation. This section is about 13½ miles in length and runs through the jungle country near the coast. There will be 700 acres of clearing and grubbing also in this section. The incidental expenses will amount to little beside those above enumerated, therefore they are omitted.

The Actual Cost.

The divide section reaches from here through the higher range of hills to 24 miles further. There are 7,500,000 cubic yards of rock in this cut and about 5,000,000 yards of earth and clay. The depth of this cut will be regulated by the height of the canal, which is here 112 feet above the sea. The actual cutting will be about 200 feet in the deepest part.

From here begins the Ochoa section which runs through the San Francisco basin and Florida lagoon. This is low country and the cutting which will reach to the Ochoa dam, 34½ miles from the Caribbean sea, will only add 10,000,000 yards to the figures, making a trifle over 40,000,000 cubic yards to the dam. From here a summary of the cut through the San Juan river will aggregate 34,000,000 cubic yards with about 5,000,000 more curve widening and 2000 acres clearing and grubbing. This will not include any of the dams or embankments but simply the channel cutting the bed of the San Juan river. This makes 75,000,000 cubic yards of all grades of cutting to Lake Nicaragua.

The Cost of the Dam.

The cost of the Ochoa dam upon which rests the entire feasibility of the route, has not been accurately computed as the undertaking is of so colossal a nature as to be beyond figuring within a unit or even more. The dam will be over 1500 feet in length, its foundation 75 feet below the bed of salt in the river bottom and its rise over 130 feet. As the river will have to be turned from its course during its construction it will be seen that many details will have to be taken into consideration for an estimate of its cost. The San Carlos embankment will cost several million dollars and the estimates are being made. The cuts in the shallow part of the lake will aggregate 10,000,000 cubic yards, making a total of 85,000,000 cubic yards to the western division of the canal.

The estimates of the western division have not been made. They are under the direction of Admiral Walker's son, V. W. G. Walker, and they will amount to not less than 30,000,000 cubic yards more, making a total of 115,000,000 cubic yards of all kinds on excavation to the harbor at Brito and allowing 9,000,000 cubic yards for dredging here, the total estimates will come to enarly 125,000,000 cubic yards, exclusive of all dams and embankments. It will be seen that $135,000,000 will be a conservative estimate of the entire cost of the canal and this almost agrees with those of General W. Ludlow's report of 1896.

Have It Handy.

He cried out in agony, and they ran to the neighbors for help. Sciatica was torturing him. Better run for St. Jacob's Oil, or have it handy. It is known to cure the worst cases, and cure effectually.

You can co-operate with a mule—if you let it have its own way. You can co-operate with a man of sense if you agree on a reasonable way. Avoid the mule if you can; but run to meet the reasonable man.—Nooksack Reporter.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is the best of all cough cures.—George W. Lotz, Fabucher, La., August 26, 1895.

In Brazil there are said to be 300 languages and dialects spoken by the Indians.

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Montana State Society of Engineers, Jan. 14.

Don't Mind the Weather.

There is one thing that does not mind the weather, and that is rheuamtism; and one thing that does not mind rheumatism is St. Jacob's Oil, as it goes to work upon it and cures right off.

A REMARKABLE BELT.

Was Once the Property of a Dead-and-Gone Indian Princess.

Miss Winnifred Winn of Ravenswood has recently come into the possession of a beautiful belt that hundreds of years ago was the wedding gift of a Sioux Indian princess. Later it was captured in a battle between the Sioux and Chippewas and was retaken. Finally the princess herself was captured and she ransomed herself by giving up the belt and all of her other possessions. For generations it has been known as the Indian ransom belt.

It is a marvelous bit of work and connoisseurs who have examined it affirm that nothing like it can be found in either the British or American museums. The belt is twenty-nine and one-quarter inches long, two and one-quarter inches wide and contains 17,550 beads. It would take an expert Indian worker six months of continuous work to make it.

But skillful fingers are unable to reproduce it now, as the beads are no longer manufactured. They are about the size of a pin-head and as brilliant as jewels. There are nineteen colors and shades, in blues, reds, pinks, yellows, browns, salmon, amber, and clear glass, but the colors are so harmoniously blended that the effect is as exquisitely rich as a Persian pattern.

There are seventeen mosaic designs running through the centre of the belt, and they are surrounded by milk-white beads. The edge is etched with a sharp-pointed pattern, done in full colors, and though centuries have passed since it was fashioned by a mother's loving hand, only three beads are missing.

It was given to Col. Winn last Christmas by an Indian at Fort Williams, Ontario, Canada. He was superintending the building of an immense steel elevator for the Canadian Pacific railway and, as the townspeople objected to his importing skilled labor from the United States, he employed Indians with the most satisfactory results.

He aroused the Indians' gratitude by various humane acts and on Christmas day, as he sat in his office, two young Indians walked in, and one, Alex McCoy, flung a newspaper bundle on his desk. The other man stood in the doorway and said:

"Ugh! There's my Christmas present!" And both fled like naughty children.

One parcel contained the belt and the other a knife-sheath of modern make. Col. Winn mentioned his gift to an old fur trader with an Indian wife, and the squaw said it was the famous Sioux ransom belt, that was worked by the squaw of a famous Sioux chief for her daughter's wedding present and that the princess prized it above all her earthly possessions. The fame of the marvelous belt spread into the camp of the Chippewas. With the fortune of war it changed hands repeatedly until it finally came into the hands of McCoy, chief of the Chippewas, who lived on the Pidgeon river. He gave it to his squaw, who wore it on state occasions. The young half-breed who presented it to Col. Winn is a descendant of the old chief, so the belt became his by the right of succession. As the belt is too gorgeous to wear and too valuable to keep at home, Miss Winn keeps it in a safety deposit vault.

STRIKE AT ANACONDA.

The Smelter Strikers Become Riotous and Resort to Violence.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 27.—The smelter strikers at Anaconda resorted to violence last evening to prevent other men from going to work. A man named Mascothe was knocked down with a club and his right eye was destroyed. Judge Ludac and Rade Dragievich were beaten, the latter seriously.

Protection for the men who want to work has been demanded from the sheriff, and if he is not able to prevent further violence the governor will be called upon to send the militia to preserve order.

The situation at Anaconda is regarded as serious. The strike has been indorsed by the Mill and Smeltermen's union, a number of western federation miners and such a strike may spread. The trouble was started four days ago by the discharge of two men for complaining against the amount of their work being increased by a slight reduction of the force.

Bates' Division Starts for Cuba.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 26.—General Bates, in command of the first division of the First army corps, arrived last night from Washington and with his staff and some 40 men of the Second Ohio regiment and Second engineers left today for Charleston, where they will embark on the transport Minnewaska for Cuba.

Enervated Easy—I shed think, ma'am, dat dis sacred Christmas time would keep you nearer to Scripture'n it does.

Mrs. Turner Away—Nearer to Scripture?

Enervated Easy—Dat's wot I said. I ast for bread, an' you give me a snow shovel!

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"Why not?"

"Because you have to make each an expensive gift."

"Nonsense! Give each a trifle and tell her that the more you save, the sooner you can get married."—Puck.

Briggs—Christmas time makes me feel as if I would like to share my all with my fellow men.

Griggs—I suppose you refer to your debts.—Brooklyn Life.

A new telegraph idea transmits 3000 words per minute.

COULD NOT SLEEP.

Mrs. Pinkham Relieved Her of All Her Troubles.

Mrs. MADGE BABCOCK, 176 Second St., Grand Rapids, Mich., had ovarian trouble with its attendant aches and pains, now she is well. Here are her own words:

"Your Vegetable Compound has made me feel like a new person. Before I began taking it I was all run down, felt tired and sleepy most of the time, had pains in my back and side, and such terrible headaches all the time, and could not sleep well nights. I also had ovarian trouble. Through the advice of a friend I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and since taking it all troubles have gone. My monthly sickness used to be so painful, but have not had the slightest pain since taking your medicine. I cannot praise your Vegetable Compound too much. My husband and friends see such a change in me. I look so much better and have some color in my face."

Mrs. Pinkham invites women who are ill to write to her at Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is freely offered.

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CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE:— "Alexandra" and "Delly" Mineral Claims; situate in the Slocan City Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located:—At the head of Mineral Creek, a branch of the second north fork of Lemon.

Take notice that I, J. M. McGregor, acting asagent for D. K. McDonald, Free Miners Certificate No. 8929A intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 5th day of October, 1898.

J. M. McGREGOR.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE:—"Soho" Mineral Claim, situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located:-In the Best Basin on McGuigan Creek,

Take notice that I, M. R. W. Rathborne, Free Miner's Certificate No. 33371A. for myself, and as agent for J. C. Ryan, Free Miner's Certificate No. 4774, and Henry Eummelen, F. M. C. No 16312 intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim,

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

Dated this fifth day of October, 1898.

M. R. W. RATHBORNE.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE :—"Barnett", "Little Montana" and "Palaskie" Mineral Claims; situate in the Slocan City Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

Where located:—On the west side of main Lemon creek about twelve miles from the mouth.

Take notice that I, J. M. McGregor, acting as agent for W. A. Campbell, Free Miner's Certificate No. 11415A, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 12th day of October 1898.

J. M. McGREGOR.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE:—"Northern Pacific" Mineral Claim, situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, Where located:-On McGu an Cee k half a mile south east of the Washington.

Take Notice that I, M. R. W. Rathborne, Free Miner,s Certificate No 33371A intend sixty days from date to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvement, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this fifth day of October, 1898.

M. R. W. RATHBORNE.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE,—"The Ben" mineral claim, situate in the Slocan mining division of West Kootenay district.

Where located: On the north side of Four Mile creek, adjoining the Ottawa No. 2 mineral claim on the east.

Take notice that I Francis J. O'Reilly, as agent for "The Wakefield Mines, Ltd.' free miner's certificate No. 12147A, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant for the above claim,

And further take notice • that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 28th day of October, 1898.

FRANCIS J. O'REILLY.

5,11,98.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE.— "Pembroke" "New Park" and "Hazard Fraction" Mineral Claims situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

Where located:—On the Galena Farm east of the "Curley" mineral claim.

Take notice that I, Francis J. O'Reilly of Silverton, B. C., as agent for Ernest Oyen, Free Miner's Certificate No. 33322A, 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 both the above claims.

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

Dated this 29th day of October, 1898.

FRANCIS J. O'REILLY.

5,11.98.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE:—"OMA" Mineral Claim, situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located:—On the Galena Farm, south of the "Stevenson" Mineral Claim

Take notice that I, Francis J. O'Reilly of Silverton, B. C., as agent for F. O. Berg Free Miner's Certificate No. 5715, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 7th day of November, 1898

FRANCIS J. O'REILLY.

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CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE,—"SUNDOWN FRACTION" Mineral Claim. situate in the Slocan City Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

Where located:—On the north side of Lemon Creek, opposite the mouth of Summit creek.

Take notice that I, William White acting as agent for Wm. White, F. M C. No. 91725, J. D. Wallace 4250A, H. J. Robertson 11793A, W. Colpman 4792A H. Bunting 11739A, R. J. Stitt, 4138A and W. B Wilcox 2862A, intend sixty days fromthe date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 20th day of October 1898.

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OVER TWO MILES.

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results obtained. although the property has been worked steadily. The following extract from the Company's Director's report, recently issued in London only confirms the ideas formed here concerning the mine.

"A great deal of practical work has been done; unfortunately, the result so far have been disappointing. It seems to be the general opinion in the district that a large body of ore exists within the boundaries of the property; the claims are strewn in many places with large blocks of galena, and there is an outcrop of galena for some distance along the surface. This ore, containing silver, lead, and zinc, lives down to depth of about 100 feet; below this depth they have not been successful in finding it. the country being very much broken and disturbed,.....expenses have been reduced to a minimum, and work on the mine is now confined to cross-cutting the country at the 100 foot level in the hope of finding payable ore."

It can be stated however that the present management of the mine is considered the most practical and thorough that the property has had.

SOME OTHER MINES.

The Essex group, which was acquired late last summer by the present owner, has had four tunnels driven on it, all directly on the vein, the aggregate length of which is 450 feet. The three upper tunnels are in ore and the pay-streak averages from four inches to one foot in width, the ore being a cube galena and averaging 200 ounces in silver and 50 per cent lead per ton.

One of the properties that changed hands last summer is the Congo group on Red Mountain. As soon as the deal was closed the new owner began active developement work and kept a force of men employed until late in the fall, when owing to the lack of winter quarters work had to be suspended. A large amount of surface work was done and the ledge stripped for several hundred feet. A shaft was started and enough work done on it to show that the ore increased greatly in value as depth is gained. The vein is a large well defined fissure and the ore a copper sulphide carrying good values in both copper and gold.

About 100 feet of new work has been done on the L. H. mine on Red Mountain. This is probably the largest body of gold ore in the Slocan, the ore being an iron sulphide running well in gold. The ledge is traceable for a long distance, is over 60 feet wide and is cut by a crosscut tunnel over 100 feet deep. Red Mountain is destined to be a big producer of both gold and copper and will give employment to a large number of men in its mammoth ledges, the principal ones of which are the L. H., Congo group and Little Daisy mines.

Considerable work has been done on the Condor group, near the Vancouver. Several shallow shafts were sunk all of which shows the ledge to be well defined, and a good showing of ore was encountered in all of them. A cross-cut tunnel has been started but has not yet cut the ledge.

A very large amount of work has been done on the hundreds of prospects in this district and some big strikes have been made, but lack of space compells us to omit them.

ORE SHIPMENTS FOR THE WEEK.

The unusually heavy fall of snow that fell steadily all Christmas day, turning to a drizzling rain on Monday, practically suspended all shipping the first part of the week, the first load of ore coming in on Wednesday. The Wakefield trail was only made passable by a great deal of hard work on the part of the pack-train and the men, dangerous work, as evidenced by the burying of one of the men and two mules in a passing snowslide.

This week 40 tons of Vancouver ore and 20 tons of Wakefield ore have been shipped, making the total for the year 1067½ tons.

SLOCAN LAKE ORE SHIPMENTS.

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

From New Denver.	Tons.
California	60
From Bosun Landing.	**Tons.**
Bosun	304½
From Silverton.	**Tons.**
Comstock	225
Emily Edith	20
Fidelity	130
Fisher Maiden	107
Silver Nugget	5½
Vancouver	420
Wakefield	160
Total	1067½
Ten Mile Landing.	**Tons.**
Enterprise	400

A carload of ore was shipped from the Bosun to-day.

All of the Silverton mines let their men have a holiday, Christmas.

[illegible] to know, that the Sampling Works at Rosebery are to be completed at once.

Sixty men were laid off at the Slocan Star on Tuesday.

JUST A MOMENT!

A BLUE PENCIL MARK IN THIS SQUARE MEANS THAT YOUR SUBSCRIPTION IS DUE AND THAT THE EDITOR IS ANXIOUS TO WRITE A RECEIPT FOR YOU.

EDITORIAL OUTCROPPINGS.

We make no apology for the amount of space we devote this week to the mines. The marked improvement made in them during the year has brought Silverton prominently before the eyes of the mining world and to-day not a mining paper of any prominence in the province omits to mention the latest news from the Silverton mines. The SILVERTONIAN takes to itself a good share of the credit for the prominence attained by our town in the outside press, by the thorough attention we have given to our mining columns. Silverton in known abroad by the SILVERTONIAN.

There are several good banking institutions doing business in the Province and Silverton intends to have one of them, before many moons go by. The business done here is far greater than that done in many towns where a good banking business is done. A bank established here is assurred of the support of all our business men, as all will withdraw their accounts from outside banks and give the local bank their support. A sub-agency of any branch would be a failure, as the local pride of our citizens would forbid them playing second fiddle to any of our neighboring towns.

The question raised during the Colonist "contempt" case, as to the eligibility of Justice Martin, recently appointed, is dealt with fully in a special dispatch to the Toronto Globe from Ottawa. The dispatch recites a precedent established by Sir John A Macdonald, when Judge Grey was raised to the Bench after a fortnights practise in the Province. The qualification and appointment of a Judge of the Supreme Court rest entirely with the Dominion House and any action taken regarding these, by the Legislature is ultra vires. The only restriction imposed upon the Governor General is that the appointee shall be a member of the Bar of the Province.

NOT IN IT.

The Sandon Paystreak, speaking of opening of the Opera House in New Denver says: "About one hundred couples were on the floor for the grand march. Quite a number of Silvertonians were present but Sandon was unrepresented. New Denver youths displayed remarkable agility in filling out the New Denver ladies programmes, much to the discomfiture of the Silverton gents."

INFORMATION WANTED.

Any person having information as to the whereabouts of the relatives of Henry Gratton, who died in this city last week, will confer a favor by communicating with McDonald & Flood, proprietors of the Grand Central hotel, Cascade, B C Deceased was a Frenchman and a carpenter by trade, having formerly worked in New Denver and other Slocan towns. It is supposed that he had an uncle in Montana.—Cascade Record.

Henry Gration, the deceased referred to in the above article, was well known here, having lived in Silverton for some time. Doubtless some of our readers can supply the desired information.(ED.)

MINING RECORDS.

Following is a complete list of the mining transactions recorded during the week for the Slocan Mining Division:

NEW DENVER—LOCATIONS

Dec 21—May, Galena Farm, Mrs. J Clement.

TRANSFERS.

Dec 20—Hemlock ⅓, Chas Faas to W R Will, June 1, 1897.

Dec 21—Sligo Fraction ¼, W D Mitchell to W R Will, Oct 13.

Copella, Newery, Turris and Wallace ¼ Amos Thompson to same, Oct 14.

Dawn Centre ⅓, G A McLean to D A McDonald, Sept 29.

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Dec 22—Morning Star No 7, to J. F. McCrea

[illegible] Quebec, to Wm Harrison.

ABANDONMENTS.

Dec 20—Condor, Slocan Bell, Iron Mask, Baltimore Fraction.

Dec 23—Starlight Fraction.

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CHURCH SERVICES.

Divine Services will be conducted in the Silverton Church on the second and fourth Sunday of the month by the Rev. C. F. Yates, at 3 p. m. You are invited to be present.

Beginning on Sunday, November, 6th the Rev. R. N. Powell will hold services every alternate Sunday at 3 p. m. in the Silverton Church In addition to these, services will be held on every alternate Monday evening at 7 p. m., commencing Monday, November 13th. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

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