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All our Hopes; all our Politics are Summed up in a Railway.

Coal is Mined in the Town of Princeton and Sold at $3 per Ton—The Rivers and Creeks are Auriferous—Vast Possibilities for Lode Mining.
The Provincial Government is Pledged to Give Railway Connection with the Coast at the Summer Session of the Local Legislature.

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GRANITE CREEK NEWS

Development Work on the Cousin Jack Pushed With Vigor.

Prospectors are Looking Earnestly for the Source of Gold in This Alluring Region.

Granite Creek, June 7 —Mining operations on the Cousin Jack will be done by contractor Burns, who will work 3 shifts until the job is completed. It is freely asserted that some revelations in rich ore may be expected as the work progresses. This is borne out by present indications and ore characteristics.

J. G. Thynne is running a pack train to the Cousin Jack.

The government road repairers are at work between here and Princeton. They move camp on a Tory wagon (wheelbarrow).

A number of prospectors are moving up Granite creek in search of the yellow metal.

Tuck French will conduct a classic musicale on his organophone Saturday evening. Admission free.

Geo. Freeman and Sailor Jack have struck out for high altitudes on a prospecting trip.

There is nothing small about Tink French nor the fish he catches. He recently caught a Dolly Varden trout in Nicola lake which weighed exactly 9 lbs. 1 oz. With his usual generosity he presented this piscatorial beauty to friends here who are smacking their lips and getting fat on Dolly Varden. Tink has also caught the following weights of single trout within the past two days: 5¾ lbs., 6, 6¼, 6¾, but the biggest one of all broke his hook and escaped—he thinks the weight of the latter might be anything over 17 lbs. Next!

A Timely Suggestion.

EDITOR STAR—Sir: As the Similkameen valley is highly mineralized from one end to the other, and has several claims well under development, I think it my duty to now call the attention of tradesmen, prospectors and others interested, to make known the resources of the district. In order to induce the travelling public and investor to come and see our wealth of mineral I think it would be a good plan to get permission to erect a show case containing mineral specimens of this district in each of the leading hotels in Vancouver. There is no doubt whatever when once a railway is built from the coast to Princeton, Vancouverites will gain an immense trade with this now cut off district of B.C.

CHAMPION HIKER.

Princeton, June 9.

OLALLA COPPER CO'Y

Change of Officials and Methods, also Location of Head Offices.

Mineral Property will be Developed in the Vicinity of Princeton—Bullion Group.

W. C. McDougall of Olalla was in town on Tuesday in connection with his mineral interests in this vicinity. He is satisfied that his mineral properties on the outskirts of Princeton will show good values upon development which it is his intention to proceed with in a short time and continue during the summer. This group of claims extend into the Five-Mile section, and will be stocked with eastern money, a company having been already formed for that purpose.

Mr. McDougall returned from New York on the 10th ult. whither, as an official of the Olalla Copper Co., he had been in connection with changes in personnel and location of head offices. W. J. Brewer, formerly president of the company, has been superseded by Robert Gaede. Judge Van Ness, still a director, vacates the vice-presidency to J. D. Peters of Zanesville, Ohio; and John E. Tylee is secretary-treasurer of the company and in charge of the head office, which has been removed from New York to Patterson, N.J. The Albert E. Hall Co. is no longer the financial agent of the Olalla company, who, in future will conduct their own monetary affairs.

A. A. Watson has been engaged as assayer on the permanent staff of the company.

Work has been resumed on the Bullion group since June 1st and will be continued vigorously.

Three cases were tried at Fairview county court, only one being a jury case, in which the plaintiff, Thomas Ellis, the Penticton cattle lord, recovered $7 on a disputed account of the above amount.

Messrs Lowe, Richter and Daly, embryo cattle kings of the Similkameen, brought in a bunch of 300 stock animals on Tuesday which they turned loose on the plateau west of Princeton to graze.

There were two cases on the docket of the county court both of which were disposed of without the formality of a hearing.

L. L. Hammond, came in from Grand Forks on Wednesday. Ostensibly he is looking over the country for a suitable fruit ranch.

Samples of Roche river telluride ore bearing gold in large value and quartz from the Granite creek section containing visible gold are quite common.

Born—On the 6th inst., the wife of B. Thomas, of a daughter.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Homeseekers Bound for Chilcoten—Ore Specimens for Exhibition.

Road Between Here and Granite Creek is Sadly in Need of Speedy Repairs.

Duncan Ross, the Liberal candidate for Yale-Cariboo in the forthcoming Dominion elections is expected in Princeton today. He will be pleased to make the acquaintance, and meet individually, as many as possible. At some future date he will address the electors of this section.

James Haddock, the Ashcroft skin dealer was in town this week exchanging pelf for pelts with "Pat Burns" the local flesher.

J. A. Moore, of Grand Forks, passed through Princeton on Monday, on his way to Ashcroft. He reports that there are brisk preparations being made for railway construction to Phoenix. Two trainloads of men and material for construction were on the ground. The general opinion in the Boundary is that Hill will continue on through the Similkameen when the spurs and branches are completed.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hagerman will pay a visit to the Boundary, where they have many friends and three daughters.

Dan Kootenay, oldtime prospector and miner, is working on some promising mineral property in the vicinity of Five-Mile.

Driver Chenhall of the Nicola stage route reports the road between Princeton and Granite creek as the worst on the whole run. There are slides and boulders enough to make travel both dangerous and slow. In the event of any serious accident the government could be held responsible for damages. As the Similkameen mining division contributes largely to the public revenue it is only fair that a proportionate sum should be expended in making roads, at least, safe and fit for travel.

The Princeton board of school trustees are desirous of receiving applications for the position of public school teacher, duties to begin at the end of the summer vacation. Salary $50 per month.

Messrs. Hardy and the three McCague brothers passed through Princeton last Tuesday on their way to Chilcoten, where they will secure homesteads. They came from Greenwood and will have covered some 500 miles with buckboard and pack horses when they reach their destination.

Gus Spearing, Hugh Kennedy and F. W. Groves, P.L.S., have recently donated some fine ore specimens for exhibition purposes.

E. Voigt has a gang of men repairing the Copper mountain road.

HEDLEY PARAGRAPHS

Manager of the Daly Reduction Co'y Meets With Various Obstacles.

Auction Sale of Government Lots Unsatisfactory, but Quick Money is a Necessity.

Hedley, June 9.—The Daly Reduction Co. has been giving the machinery of the stamp mill a sort of preliminary canter prior to the long and, it is hoped, uninterrupted run of the mines and mill. The manager of the company, M. K. Rodgers, has had no end of obstacles to surmount, some of which were born of rugged nature and unavoidable, while others were artificial and superimposed. The entire works of the company, involving an outlay of over a million of money, have been conducted with economy and discretion, notwithstanding the criticisms of laymen and the envious opposition to all great enterprise. Mr. Rodgers pays his employees well and treats them fairly, exacting no unnecessary labor from them on Sundays, which cannot be said of many employers in B.C. Success may well follow and attend such management.

An addition to the Grand Union hotel is now being made.

Dick Boeing is building a cosy cottage the interior plan of which suggests family occupancy. "So long," Dick—much joy.

W. C. McLean, foreman of the Daly Co., had his foot crushed between a car and a rock which has laid him by for a few days.

Elijah Chilsen has recently arrived and will be amalgamator to the Daly Co.

Miss M. L. Whillans, teacher, will resign at the end of the summer term and reside at the coast. During her stay here Miss Whillans has made many warm friends by her sterling qualities of mind and manner. In religious, social and musical circles, as well as in her noble profession, she will be regretfully parted with by many.

J. A. Schubert has recently added a thoroughbred Jersey cow to his dairy ranch. Now for strawberries and cream, yum-yum!

Considerable fault is being found with the terms of the government auction sale of lots advertised. It is, practically, a cash sale, an unusual thing with sales of this nature. The government teat has been pulled so long and effectively that the poor old cow has gone farrow and this unusual expedient resorted to, in the "hope of raising the wind." The whole business has a fishy odor.

A number of litigants and witnesses, including Messrs. Hardwick, McDonald, Kehoe, Revely and Armstrong will attend court at Princeton on Friday.

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PROVINCIAL MINERALOGIST.

The report of the Minister of Mines recently issued has caused considerable adverse comment from many engaged in the occupation of mining and from others interested in it through investment or as a business calling. The tenor of their complaints emanate from one cause, viz: the absence of that cheering and encouraging tone, without which an infant industry may droop and die. The mining industry of this province is still in its infancy and as such it requires all the stimulation necessary for its growth and expansion. It is not enough that an official report of the government regarding the minerals and their production should be all figures and cold, barren facts. The interest of the reader should be intensified by illustration, comparison and minute description; the whole covered with a forecaste of the possibilities and an estimate of the undeveloped mineral resources of each mining division or district. To do this the provincial mineralogist must be a man of ability. He must be capable of clothing his report in language which does not smell of the pigeon hole nor of the musty reports of previous years. Nor will he employ stereotyped phraseology, which is the death of so much that issues from the mines department.

The mining industry of British Columbia is of tender years and as such it requires nursing. To encourage its growth and development latitude for prospective increase in mineral wealth should be found in all official reports. The tabular statistics are the foundation upon which a gifted official should build a report at once attractive and inviting. Nobody finds any fault with the figures of last year's mining report—they denote progress. But it is the pessimistic tinge with which they are colored by William Fleet Robertson, author and provincial mineralogist.

The report of the Similkameen mining division is made in about four hundred words. Those who read that report beyond the seas or on the opposite side of this continent and who have never visited the Similkameen cannot fail to have but a very faint and erroneous impression of the district. The insignificance of the report in itself is enough to cause any reader to turn the leaf without stopping to enquire. This division with its past history of placer gold mining, its known great ore bodies, its opportunities for gold-dredging and hydraulicing and its valuable coal measures, all dismissed in a few abortive paragraphs. No mention made of the producing coal mine of the Vermilion Forks Co., small though it is, nor reference to the great variety of minerals found here. The distant reader of the mineralogist's report will neither have hope inspired nor desire created for investment by a perusal of his wearisome volume. Throughout this whole division it is believed that an unanimous vote of thanks would be tendered him if he would cease all mention of the Similkameen in his future reports.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Recently there have been several parties on the trek northward to Cariboo, Omineca and Chilcoten in search of agricultural land and minerals. Some expressed a wish to locate in the Similkameen but they could get no authoritative information regarding vacant lands and were thus obliged to push on. It is a well known fact that there is a lot of vacant land in this riding which is held on bogus claims. One man, whose claims extend for forty miles northward from Osoyoos to and beyond Penticton, has fenced in everything that would grow grass. The unknowing and intending settler observing the fences, infers that the land has a legitimate owner and thus he is prevented from locating. The government should publish a list of vacant lands in the Similkameen for the guidance of settlers and the prevention of spurious monopoly. As to mineral land there is no limit and whosoever will may locate without let or hindrance.

At a wedding charivari recently given in a Kootenay town the bride became so alarmed with the shooting and noise of the hoodlums that she became hysterical, from which she has not since rallied. If the law does not protect persons from such a barbarous custom the groom would be justified in throwing some old-fashioned grape and canister among the perpetrators.

Mineral Exhibit

Spokane Fair

Prospectors and others are invited to contribute mineral specimens for an exhibit at the Spokane Fair. Specimens should be of about 25 lbs. weight with names of claim and owner attached. Specimens will be received by C. E. Thomas, F. W. Groves and at the Mining Recorder's office.

BY ORDER,
PRINCETON BOARD OF TRADE.

NOTICE.

THIRTY days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post marked A. Green's S.-S. 3 and S.-S.4, placed on east side of Coldwater river, about 3 miles south of Coutlee.

And running 40 chains west, 80 chains south, 80 chains east, 80 chains north, and then 40 chains west to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

WILLIAM RICE, Locator.
CHARLES STIRLING, Agent.

Nicola, May 20, 1904.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of mountain pasture land, described as follows Commencing at a post situated on the south side of Similkameen river, about 8 miles from Princeton and opposite the mouth of Whipsaw creek marked T.C.R'S S.W. corner, thence north 80 chains following the meander of Similkameen river, thence 20 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 20 chains west to initial post.

T. C. REVELY,
W. F. REVELY, Agent.

Princeton, B.C., April 21st, 1904.

NOTICE.

Kenley mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale district. Where located: Copper mountain.

Take notice that I, Ernest Waterman, free miner's certificate No. B72039 for myself and for Edwin Barr Hall, free miner's certificate No. B72040, 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 9th day of April, 1904.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase eighty acres of second class land, situated in Osoyoos district: Commencing at a post marked J.L. situated about forty chains north of northeast corner of John Kearns' preemption lot 3098, thence 20 chains east, thence forty chains south, thence 20 chains west, thence forty chains north to point of commencement, containing 80 acres more or less.

JOHN LOVE.

Fairview, B.C., April 13, 1904.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of crown lands for agricultural purposes, commencing at a post marked C. A. Joyner's N.W. corner, thence running 40 chains east, thence 40 chains south, thence 40 chains west, thence 40 chains north to place of commencement.

C. A. JOYNER.

Dated April 8, 1904.

NOTICE.

Great Republic mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located Copper mountain.

Take notice that I, John P. McLeod, free miner's certificate No. B80240, for myself and as agent for Charles H. Bonter, free miner's certificate No. B75510, 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 18th day of April, A.D. 1904.

J. P. McLEOD.

NOTICE.

TAKE NOTICE that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase forty acres of Crown lands for pasturing purposes: Commencing at a post marked F. Frembd's S.W. corner on the east and west line on the north end of my pre-emption in Otter Valley, thence running 20 chains north, thence 20 chains east, thence 20 chains south, thence 20 chains west to place of commencement.

F. FREMBD.

NOTICE.

A SITTING of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the Nicola District will be held at Government Office at Princeton on

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15th, 1904,

At 1 o'clock, p.m., to consider the following applications for renewal hotel licenses:

James Wallace, of the Princeton Hotel, Princeton.

John H. Jackson, of the Hotel Jackson, Princeton.

Goldsbrough & Worgan, of the Similkameen Hotel. Allison.

Mrs. Alice James, of the Granite Creek Hotel, Granite Creek.

Charles Debarro, of the Otter Flat Hotel, Otter Flat.

H. S. Cleasby, of the Coutlee House, Nicola Valley.

W. A. McLean, of the Commercial Hotel, Hedley.

HUGH HUNTER,
Chief License Inspector,
Nicola District.

Princeton, June 3, 1904.

NOTICE of FORFEITURE

To ARCHIBALD GRANT or whomsoever he may have transferred his interest in Klondyke mineral claim, situate on Copper Mountain, and about ten miles from Princeton, in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district.

Take notice that after the publication hereof once each week for ninety days, you fail or refuse to contribute your portion of the expenditure required by section 24 of the "Mineral Act," being chapter 135, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1897, in respect of the Klondyke mineral claim, situate on Copper mountain in the Osoyoos Mining Division of Yale District, British Columbia, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in said claim shall become vested in your co-owner, Thomas F. McAlpin, of Princeton, Free Miner, who has made the required expenditure.

The amount due by you in respect of each of the said mineral claims, not including costs, is $25.62½.

Dated this 4th day of June, 1904

THOS. J. MCALPIN.

NOTICE of FORFEITURE

To W. E. WELBY and any person or persons to whom he may have transferred his interests in the Elbe, Sunset, Maid of the Mist and War Cloud mineral claims situate at Camp Hedley in the Osoyoos mining division of Yale district:

You are hereby required to take notice that we have for the last two years done the whole of the assessment work on the above mentioned mineral claims as required by section 24 of the mineral act and have paid for recording the several certificates of such work, and you are hereby required to contribute your proportion of such work and expenditure together with all costs of advertising, your said proportion amounting to One Hundred and Fifty Nine Dollars ($159.00), exclusive of costs.

If you fail or refuse to contribute your said proportion and all costs of advertising within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice in the Similkameen Star, which date is hereunder written, your interests in said mineral claims will become vested in us, your co-owners, under the provisions of the Mineral Act and Amending Acts.

Dated this 4th day of June, A.D. 1904.

H. W. YATES.
J. F. CAMPBELL.

NOTICE of FORFEITURE

To PETER SCOTT and any person or persons to whom he may have transferred his interest in the Sacramento mineral claim situate at Camp Hedley—20-Mile Creek—adjoining the Oro Plato in the Osoyoos mining division of Yale district.

You are hereby required to take notice that I have, for the last four years caused to be done the whole of the assessment work on the above mentioned mineral claim as required by section 24 of the Mineral Act and have paid for recording the several certificates of such work, and you are hereby required to contribute your proportion of such work and expenditure together with all costs of advertising, your said proportion amounting to two hundred and five dollars, ($205) exclusive of costs.

If you fail or refuse to contribute your said proportion and all costs of advertising within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice in the Similkameen Star, which date is hereunder written, your interest in said mineral claim will become vested in me, your co-owner, under the provisions of the Mineral Act and Amending Acts.

Dated this 30th day of April, A.D. 1904.

DANIEL BRAITHWAITE.

NOTICE.

Tempest fraction mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: Kennedy mountain.

Take notice that I, Ernest Waterman, agent for the Vermilion Forks Mining Company, free miner's certificate No. B72038, 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 13th day of April, A.D. 1904.

NOTICE.

Mogul, Mogul Fractional and Red Butte Fractional mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Kennedy mountain.

Take notice that I, Charles Willarson, free miner's certificate No. B63394, acting for myself and Peter Johnson, free miner's certificate No. B63393, intend 60 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.

Dated this 14th day of May, A.D. 1904.

NOTICE.

Ada B., Ada B. Fractional and Centre Star Fractional mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Copper mountain.

Take notice that I, Charles Willarson, free miner's certificate No. B63394, acting for myself and Peter Johnson, free miner's certificate No. B63393, and Robert O. Cramer, free miner's certificate No. 63382, and William H. Morrison, free miner's certificate No. 75486, and Furman R. Whitwell, free miner's certificate No. 72045 intend sixty days from the date hereof, to abply 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.

Dated this 14th day of May, 1904.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

"Podunk" Davis arrived from Vancouver Monday night via Hope Pass. He reports little snow on the summit. He states that there is a well-founded report that railway construction will begin in the Similkameen this summer. He has left to meet parties coming in via Nicola.

C. Willerson and P. Johnson came in from Copper mountain where they have been doing assessment work on their claims.

Blossoms of wild cherries, olallas, saskatoons and strawberries are luxuriant and promise of an abundant yield is excellent.

D. Neal and Judge Spinks came in on Thursday returning today via Keremeos to Vernon.

F. W. Groves, P.L.S., is surveying at Aspen Grove and Ficola.

A General Banking Business

A general banking business transacted by the Bank of Hamilton. Capital all paid up, $2,200,000. Reserve and surplus profits, $2,000,000. Interest allowed on Savings bank deposits of one dollar and upwards from date of deposit to date of withdrawal. A. H. SKEY, Agent, Kamloops, B.C.

Auction: Sale

Of Government Town Lots in Hedley.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to instructions from the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, the following town lots in the Townsite of Hedley, on the Similkameen river, in the Osoyoos division of Yale district, and additions thereto, will be offered for sale at Public Auction at

HEDLEY, B.C., on

Monday, 27th Day of June 1904

Viz., the whole of blocks 7, 8, 12, 13 and 20, Lots 1 to 12 inclusive in Block 10, and Lots 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24 in Block 14, and Lots 16 to 22 inclusive in Block 17.

EASTERN ADDITION

Lots 1 to 10 inclusive in Block 9; Lots 1 to 18 inclusive in Block 2, and Lots 1 to 22 in Block 6.

WARRIMOO ADDITION.

The whole of Blocks 6, 7, 11 and 17.

"READY CASH" ADDITION.

Lots 1 and 2 in Block 5, and the whole of Blocks 6, 7, 15 and 16.

Sale to commence at 2 o'clock.

TERMS:—20 per cent. cash; balance in thirty days.

L. NORRIS,
Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Government Office,
Vernon, B.C., 31st May, 1904.

NOTICE.

Olympian mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Copper mountain.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves, acting as agent for Joseph Wright, free miner's certificate No. B75373; J. S. C. Fraser, free miner's certificate No. B72433 and L. G. Barron, free miner's certificate No. B57500, 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.

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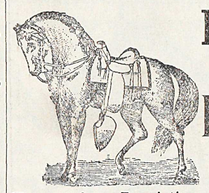

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SCIENCE JOTTINGS.

The royal commission appointed in 1901 to inquire into the relation between human and animal tuberculosis has arrived at a conclusion justifying the issuance of an interim report, according to which the commission finds that human and cattle tuberculosis are identical. This disproves Prof. Koch's theory that consumption is not communicated from infected cows through milk to human beings.

The iron industry of Alabama is represented at the World's fair, St. Louis, by a colossal iron statue of Vulcan, fifty feet high and weighing 150,000 pounds. It was made in Birmingham, to portray the importance of that city as a manufacturing point. The base of the statue is made of coal and coke. This cast-iron Vulcan occupies a place in the Palace of Mines and Metallurgy.

The chief use for acetylene in Canada is as an illuminant in dwellings. On the river St. Lawrence the buoys are lighted with acetylene gas, the gas being compressed into the buoys under ten or more atmospheres. The gas passes from the reservoir to the burner through a reducing regulator. The buoys are sufficiently large to supply gas to the burner for from three to six months without recharging. The buoys can be recharged without being removed from their positions, a steamer with a specially constructed generating apparatus and a pump for compressing the gas being employed for this purpose.

The largest producer of sulphur is Sicily. Its deposits occur in limestone. It exported in 1903 475,508 tons, of which nearly one-third was for the United States.

A new cuirass, invented by an Italian, has been exhibited before the Russian with satisfactory results. It is impenetrable to revolver bullets and resists steel onslaughts such as are inflicted by sword or bayonet. The breastplate is made of soft, elastic material and is about an inch in thickness and weighs four pounds.

South Africa contributes about 95 per cent. of the world's supply of diamonds, the trade being thus controlled by the DeBeers mines, which, in the year ending June 30, 1903, recovered 2,475,802 carats, valued at $25,507,042.

Henriques—I understand you gratify your wife's slightest wish. Ottinger—Yes; it is only her more expensive wishes I do not gratify.

Biddy Malone was in a fever of excitement when she landed in America, direct from the "ould country." Her certificate of character was lost aboard ship, and what would she be "afther doin'?" To her great happiness and consolation Tim Mulligan, her Irish friend, volunteered, and wrote her the following recommendation: "This is to certify that Biddy Malone had a good character when she left Ireland, but lost it on shipboard comin' over."

There was a young girl in the choir,
Whose voice rose hoir and hoir,
Till it reached such a height
It was clear out of seight,
And they found it next day in the spoir.

"I may as well tell you, young man," said Miss Spooner's father, "that I always close up the house and turn out all lights by 10 o'clock." "Don't bother tonight, sir," replied Jack Nervy; "I'll attend to that for you."

I suppose you had a perfectly lovely time at Wexford's house party?" "No, it was a fizzle. Mrs. Wexford has so little tact. She was always arranging it so that the men would have to pair off with their own wives."

Doctor—You have only a few minutes to live; have you any last wish? Patient—I wish I had engaged another doctor.

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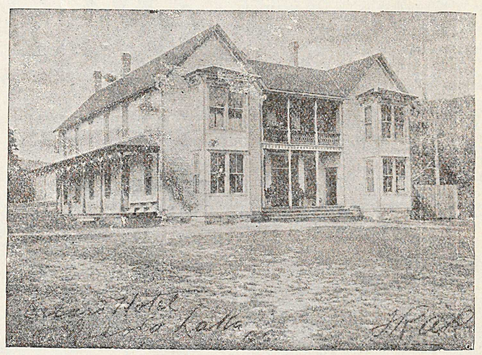

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As examples of the responsibilities and ability necessary to conduct large smelting and mining operations the salaries paid some officials are published. The necessity for a school of mines in this province is more than ever obvious if men of technical skill, commanding lucrative positions, are to be had in the country. It is not a little humiliating and smothering of patriotism to have to go abroad for mine managers and all the skilled labor required for the mining and smelting business in B.C. There can be no question as to the necessity of a school of mines. Are our legislators wide-awake or are they comatose? We shall see.

From the Spokesman-Review the following is culled: $18,000 a year is the salary paid to Charles Sweeney as president of the Federal Mining & Smelting company. That is probably the largest salary paid any Spokane man. The position is most responsible, as the Federal company is making profits of a million dollars a year, and the interests involved include mining, smelting, refining and marketing the ore.

E. J. Roberts, general manager of the Federal company, who has the direct executive management of its numerous mines, is receiving $9,000 a year. Mr Roberts was formerly in the railway service as chief engineer of the Spokane and Northern. He has large interests in the Quilp mine at Republic and in the Union Iron Works here, but gave up his private business to accept the management of the Sweeney properties.

W. Clayton Miller, assistant manager of the Federal company and technical mining engineer, receives $7,500 a year. Bruce Clendenning, the treasurer, draws $5000. Ex-senator George Turner, who was recently retained as chief legal adviser for the company, is reputed to have a retainer of $12,000 year. That is probably the largest yearly fee paid any lawyer here.

S. F. Parrish, manager of the Le Roi mine at Rossland, B.C., gets $10,000 a year and E. J. Wilson, manager of the Le Roi smelter at Northport, Wash., is paid $8,000.

All these figures, however, are eclipsed by the salary which Walter Aldridge of Trail, B.C., who receives from the Canadian Pacific railway company as manager of its smelting industries in Canada the salary of $20,000 a year.

In one of London's fashionable cemeteries there is a beautiful new monument. On it the sympathetic visitor may read this touching inscription:

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Thy earthly sales are done,
Amid the awful slaughter
You held your own and won.

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Exact Mrs. Knicker—Was your new gown a good fit? Mrs. Knocker—Lovely, Jack's bank account shows just 73 cts. left.

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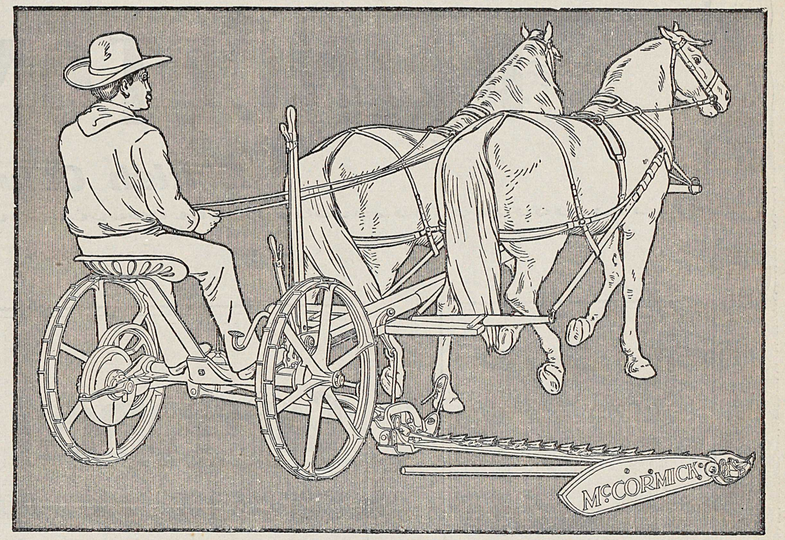

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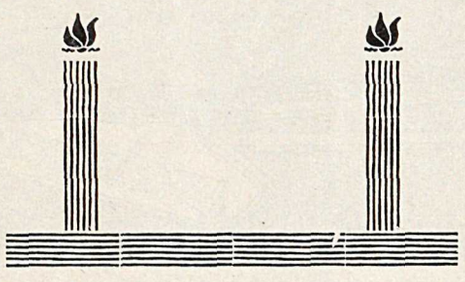

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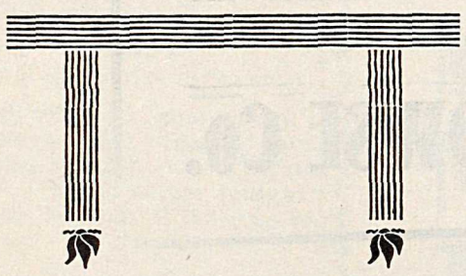

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