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SOME BIG PAYROLLS

Princeton's Turn on Wheel of Fortune Cannot Long be Postponed.

Prospects Brighter than Harvest Moon for Mining Industry in the Golden Similkameen.

Boundary's monthly payroll exceeds $100,000.

Moyie has a payroll of $1000 per day.

The June payroll of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. was $150,000.

Snowden & McMullen have finished their contract to sink a 50-foot 8x8 shaft on the Vermilion Forks Co's coal property on the townsite. It was a nice bit of calculation to hit the big coal seam at exactly fifty feet, but it was done, regardless of the bets and speculations of the "knowing" ones.

The Daly Reduction Co. at Hedley is advertising for 10 machine men at $3 50 per day and 10 muckers at $3; board $6 per week.

Uhler & Cox are making steady progress on their Five-Mile properties with very encouraging results. They are now in iron and copper ore with a six-foot face which is being assayed.

C. O. French is having mineral properties examined by expert J. F. Leland on Granite creek which will form the basis of a report.

Inquiry has been made at the Star office for two copper claims with ore showings. They are for St. Paul capital and no fanciful prices will be entertained.

J Langeloth and Jay P. Graves have closed a deal for the Hercules mine in the Coeur d'Alenes for $6,000,000.

Hart & Raymond, two prospectors from Oregon, have struck a lead of gold bearing quartz on Granite creek which has caused considerable talk among mining men. There is more than a well founded suspicion that Granite creek district is still rich in gold, the actual discoveries of the yellow metal in place are frequent and leave no doubt as to the gold mining industry being permanent when the railway draws nigh. Messrs. Hart & Raymond have discovered a strong lead which contains visible gold.

The Vermilion Forks Co. is opening up a seam of coal on the south bank of the Similkameen about a mile above the town.

Some very fine looking samples of ore have been recently shown as the result of assessment work done on the Rising Sun, Granite creek. A 7-foot lead with walls of slate and porphyry and highly mineralized ore body is worth investigating. The owners are waiting for assay returns which will decide the amount and nature of development work to be done.

Willerson & Johnson are at work on Copper mountain mining properties.

RICH ROCHE RIVER.

The mineral riches of Roche river have been so often described and are so well known that the subject seems well nigh exhausted. But, as discoveries are made and prospecting advances. surprises are frequently given. Recent assays of ore from there give considerable values in nickel and tellurium, others give returns of great value in chloride of gold. Roche river has the reputation of giving the highest assays in gold of any section in the Similkameen. The Red Star, Gold Crown, Brunswick and many other properties there are known to be rich in mineral and only need rail communication to make them blossom into producing mines. Owners of properties there have only to exercise patience until the railway affords shipping facilities, the ore in quality and quantity is there.

MINERAL ON THE SKAIST.

Con Faircloth was in town for supplies this week and exhibited some fine samples of chalcopyrite ore which gave $37 in copper-gold values. His claims are on Skaist creek, a section that has been little prospected though mineralization is apparent everywhere. Con has got 30 feet of ore which Denver and Vancouver assayers have shown to contain surface values running from $4 to above named amount. The ore and the values are there, the only question is transportation and that seems likely of solution as there is a probability of an easy pass being found through the Hope mountains via the Skaist. There is also valuable timber in this section as well as large ore bodies.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

F. W. Groves, P.L.S., has surveyed mineral claims on the porphyry bluff near Welldo for T. A. Rogers.

Haying is now in full progress and the demand for haymakers is keen. The crop is excellent and the weather superb.

Public worship tomorrow morning at 11 a.m. in the court house. Subject: "Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted," Mat. viii: 4. Evening service at 7:30. Subject: "Last words of great men."—Rev. D. F. Smith.

A. Hickling, managing-director of the V.F.M. Co., is expected to arrive next week.

Extra help has been employed this week in the government office. In addition to the permanent staff of two it was found necessary to double the force.

Dr. Mathison, dentist, will be in Princeton about the middle of August. The Dr. is so well known here that patients look eagerly for announcement of his annual visit.

PEOPLE WANT FACTS

Why Construction of Railway is Not Going on West of Keremeos.

Neither Liberal Government nor the Member for Yale-Cariboo to Be Blamed.

It was too great a task these warm days to read the whole of "Here is the Result" in the Gazette, but enough of the rot was summed up in the heading to convince the Star that a wheel had slipped a cog or two in the thinktank of our prejudiced contemporary. It is a doctrine of the Gazette that no good can come from a Liberal government or any supporter of it and it is this hidebound partizanship which blinds it to the truth, shuts ont reason and gives its articles the incoherency of a madman. In one sentence the Gazette says that the Dominion government is the cause of no construction west of Keremeos and in another it says that the contractors would not build owing to the "difficulty of prosecuting work in the Similkameen with Midway as the base of supplies." Statements so contradictory are the mere effluvia of a fermented and befuddled brain.

The Star has too much regard for its honor to divulge the names of confidential correspondents or informants. In this respect it differs from the Gazette which broke the code of respectable journals by publishing the name of a certain correspondent last spring. It will be some considerable time before the Gazette wears off that disgrace and is entrusted with the name of a correspondent in confidence. The Star must decline to be drawn by its would-be astute neighbor but will give it verbatim quotations from its "authoritative sources" in proof of its bona fides and which may be further verified by seeing the originals at this office. Here they are:

"The reason for the delay is that the Great Northern people are not anxious to continue the work from Keremeos until such time as the track is laid to Oroville, as the contractors, naturally, object to hauling their plant and supplies from Midway. The Great Northern does not care to have supplies come in by the C.P.R. to Penticton."

"While Mr. Kennedy was here (Ottawa) he promised certain information that he did not then have and which the Minister of Railways required before coming to a decision. There has not been the slightest effort made to delay this matter, and as soon as the information is received a decision will be given."

Reliable and reasonable statements like the foregoing are worth yards of vapid fiction emanating from the jaundiced Tory organette at Hedley. For the Gazette to attempt to flim-flam the people on a serious railway matter shows how little of their interests it has at heart when some low political grudge is to be avenged. The insinuation that some of the Liberal ministers are playing into the hands of the C.P.R. to hold up construction of the V., V. & E. is too silly to deserve notice. In the great fight in the railway committee a year ago it was the Liberals who won the victory for the V., V & E., the Conservatives voting solid for the C.P.R. and delay. In view of these facts the Gazette's assertions are utterly baseless and false. To accuse Duncan Ross, M.P., of neglect or treachery in regard to the interests of the Similkameen is another slander voters will not be slow to resent. It is very generally admitted by persons of every shade of political opinion that Mr. Ross has been loyal and true to his constituents on the railway question, his valiant fight being evidence of good fatth in that behalf. Only the sneering, Tory-blind Gazette finds fault and beats the air in genuine Quixotic style.

ALL BROKE UP.

A very untoward accident befell Chas. A. Mears, who with his famiiy and household effects was moving with wagon and team to Nicola. When near Peterson's ranch he had to divide the road with the mail coach, taking the outside which let his "nigh" wheels over the grade somewhat. The strain upon the hind wheel caused it to dish, which was unnoticed by the driver when he pulled into the roadway on a steep down grade. Finding that the brake would not work and his wagon gaining headway which the horses could not check he jumped from his seat to procure something that would hold the wheels. The horses veered a little and over the cliff went the whole outfit, turning rapidly over and over until some hundreds of feet below the fragments and a fearfully bruised team touched bottom. It was a lucky thing that there were no occupants of the wagon. The paor man was most disconsolate over the loss of all his worldly goods, which practically put him afoot and left him without the implements to begin anew. In the very dangerous places a guard rail ought to be planted, to prevent further accidents.

Regular meeting of the board of trade will be held next Thursday at 8 p.m.

A bee for the purpose of erecting a shed for the fire brigade was made on Thursday night and the building rose into shape very quickly many willing hands and stout backs assisting. In a few years, when Princeton has water works, fire engines and large halls for a paid brigade the present building will look like ten cents among a lot of twenty-dollar gold "boys."

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COAL AND WATER.

Two great natural sources of latent power are provided in lavish abundance throughout the whole of the Princeton district. Where, it may be reasonably asked, on this continent or in the wide world, is there such plenitude of two power-producing elements or substances ready to be harnessed and converted to the use and convenience of man as are found in this vicinity? Coal and water are essential in developing energy and since the age of steam their combined use has been universal. But since the dawn of the electric age water alone has become a formidable rival of coal for power generating purposes. Stupendous works are in progress in various parts of the world which will furnish hydro-electric power in some instances as far as a two-hundred mile radius. It has been demonstrated beyond all controversy that this power is the cheapest and safest ever made.

In Pennsylvania and other coal regions cheap electric power is being made from the refuse of the mines. It is found to be much cheaper and more convenient to transmit the coal by wire than to ship it in cars. That is to say, it is far superior to handling the coal several times in transport from the mines to distant furnaces to at once convert it into electrical energy at the pit head and transmit by wire. If, as has been shown, this can be, and is, done in other coal districts there is no reason why it should not be done at Princeton. There are all the various mining camps, one large stamp mill, several saw mills, towns to be illuminated, and other industries to follow, all within fifty miles of Princeton, which could be readily served with the electrical power generated from the immense deposits of coal here.

Whether it be coal or water that is required there is no lack of either for the production of power. With a fall of nearly forty feet per mile in the Similkameen and Tulameen rivers power production is possible on a scale to be compared with that of Niagara. The electrification of railways will be done within the next decade or two and the dirty, dangerous, smoky "puffing billies" will be relegated to the scrap heap. That being so, Princeton as an electricity producing centre offers unequalled advantages in coal and water. The attention of promoters and capitalists is respectfully invited to this subject, so faintly reviewed and presented.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Dominion parliament was prorogued last week, ending a very creditable and most successful session for the government. The Conservative members did their utmost to fasten some charge of corruption or maladministration on the government but utterly failed. Inquiry into the North Atlantic Trading Co's methods of securing immigrants for Canada revealed nothing which was not commendable for the Hon. Frank Oliver. Mr. Preston, chief of immigration in London, has been promoted as commercial agent in Japan. The Arctic inquiry proved a dismal failure for the Tories. The only piece of good luck which fell to the Opposition was the censure given a poor reporter for saying things about G. E. Foster, M.P. This incident cost the country many thousands of dollars and made Foster the laughing stock of the Dominion. Canada was never better governed than it is today, thanks to Liberals.

King Edward has declined the invitation to visit his loyal elder daughter, Canada. While it is a little humiliating to be refused without offer of any reason it settles the question of any future invitation to His Majesty from this side of the "water." Possibly his age precludes travel. Vivat Rex.

The egotism of some newspaper pen pushers seemingly has no limit. They lay down the law to suit themselves, throw mud at men head and shoulders above them in character and mental calibre; write long-winded screeds, go out of their way to hit some one a dig, ever seeking some flaw to find and full of low scurrility. No wonder men of that stamp wear a vitriolic look and assume a bilious smile. To entrust these splenetic individuals with the guidance of public opinion in the position of managing editor is little else than a real comedy of errors. It may be truthfully said of them that "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread."

"Premier" Hawthornthwaite and the member for Dewdney, R. McBride, are sizing up the political situation from the platform. The one talks revolution and waves the red flag which he would hoist red-handed above the Union Jack on the government buildings at Victoria; the other talks loyalty to the King and the Conservative party. Where is Jimmy Anderson that he is not on the stump, too?

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 240 acres, more or less, of pasture land situate in the Nicola division of Yale district and described as follows: Commencing at a point about 1¼ miles N. of lot 1155 at the S.E. corner of land sought to be acquired and running 80 chains north, thence 30 chains west, thence 80 chains south, thence 30 chains east to point of commencement.
JOHN LINDELL.
July 7th, 1906.

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 320 acres, more or less, of pasture land situate in the Nicola division of Yale district and described as follows: Commencing at post located near S.W. corner of John Lindell's purchase and running 40 chains south, thence 40 chains west, thence 80 chains north, thence 40 chains east, thence 40 chains south to point of commencement.
A. M. PHELAN.
July 7 1906.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the plan, profile and book of reference of that section of the line of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company's railway from Tulameen to Coquihalla Summit was duly filed in the office of the Registrar of Titles for the district or county of Yale at Kamloops on the 20th day of June, 1906.
Dated this 26th day of June, 1906.
A. H. MACNEILL,
Solicitor for the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the "Land Registry Act" and in the matter of the Title to Lots 20, 21 and 22, Block 15, Map 55, town of Princeton, in the Province of British Columbia.

Whereas certificate of title of Herbert Dent, No. 3760a, to the above hereditaments has been lost or destroyed, and application has been made to me for a duplicate thereof:

Notice is hereby given that a duplicate certificate of title to the above hereditaments will be issued at the expiration of one month from the date hereof, unless in the meantime valid objection to the contrary be made to me in writing.
W. H EDMONDS,
District Registrar.
Land Registry Office,
Kamloops, B.C., June 20th, 1906.

NOTICE.

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

Take notice that I, W. H. Thomas, free miner's certificate No. B3904 intend sixty days from 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 June, 1906.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 200 acres of pasture land, situated in the Yale and Similkameen divisions of Yale district and described as follows: Commencing at the S.W. corner of lot 243 thence south 40 chains to the north line of lot 157, thence east 25 chains to the north-east corner of lot 157, thence southerly along the Similkameen river to the north-west corner of lot 1838, thence east 40 chains to the west line of lot 3531, thence north along the west line of lot 3531 40 chains to the south line of lot 709, thence west 10 chains to the south-west corner of lot 709, thence northerly 30 chains along the Similkameen river to the south line of lot 243, thence west 26 chains to the point of commencement.
T. E. COLLIER. Locator.
C. O. French, Agent.
Princeton, May 28, 1906.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the plan, profile and book of reference of that section of the line of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company's railway from Coquihalla Summit to Hope, B.C., was duly filed in the office of the Registrar of Titles for the District or County of Yale at Kamloops on the 7th day of June, 1906.
Dated this 11th day of June, 1906.
A. H. MACNEILL,
Solicitor for the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company.

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 320 acres, more or less, of mountain pasture land situate in the Yale division of Yale district and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked S.W. corner post, at the ¼ post on the east line of lot 300, thence 80 chains north, thence 40 chains more or less to the west bank of the Similkameen river, thence 80 chains south, thence 40 chains west to point of commencement.
M. K. FRENCH,
June 7th, 1906.

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J. A. LUNDY.
Dated July 11, 1906 JOHN RIDDELL

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 post S.E. corner of lot 299 and running north 80 chains to lot 242, thence 80 chains east more or less to lot 1838, thence south 80 chains to S.W. corner of lot 3180, thence west back to post, in all 640 acres more or less.
Located July 9, 1906. C. O. FRENCH, Locator.

Commencing at post S.E. corner of lot 299 and running south 80 chains to N.W. corner of lot 407, thence east 80 chains more or less to lot 3181, thence north 80 chains to S.W. corner of lot 3180, thence west back to post, in all 640 acres more or less.
W. H. NORTH, Locator.
Located July 9, 1906. C. G. French, Agent.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 320 acres of land situate in the Yale division of Yale district and described as follows: Commencing at a post at S.E corner of lot 246 and western boundary of lot 299, running 80 chains south, 40 chains west, 80 chains north and 40 chains east, back to initial post.
RICHARD NAGLE.
Princeton, April 28th.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 140 acres, more or less, of mountain pasture land situated in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district and describes follows: Commencing at the N.W. corner of lot 1828, thence west 20 chains to the east line of lot 3536, thence south 60 chains to the north line of lot 1396 thence east about 15 chains to the N.E corner of lot 1936, thence south 20 chains to the N.W. corner of lot 1026, thence east about 5 chains to the S.W. corner of lot 1828, thence north 80 chains to the point of commencement.
G. B. TUCKER, Locator
Princeton, June 30, 1906.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 320 acres of mountain pasture land, situated in Yale division of Yale district adjoining lot 230, and described as follows: Commencing at the S.E. corner post and running west 80 chains, north 40 chains, east 80 chains, south 40 chains back to point of commencement.
June 27, 1906. WILLIAM S. WILSON.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days from date I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 40 acres of land situate in Similkameen division of Yale district and described as follows: Commencing at a post about 200 yards east of the S.W. corner of lot 281, thence 20 chains south, 20 chains east, 20 chains north, 20 chains west, to point of commencement.
ALICE JAMES.
Granite Creek, May 2

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 160 acres, more or less, of mountain pasture land situate in the Yale division of Yale district and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked S.W. corner at the S.E. corner of lot 300, thence north 40 chains, thence east 40 chains more or less to the west bank of Similkameen river, thence south 40 chains to the N.E. corner of lot 407, thence 40 chains west to point of commencement.
N. J. LINDSAY.
June 8th. 1906. J. G. McDonald.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 320 acres of land. described as follows: Commencing at a post marked G.W.A. and running west 80 chains to the northwest corner of block 42, thence south 40 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 40 chains to point of commencement. Situated in Kamloops division of Yale district.
GEO. W. ALDOUS.
Princeton, May 20, 1906.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Archdeacon Pentreath will arrive today from Nicola and proceed to Hedley tomorrow and preach there at night.

W. B. Townsend, ex-mayor of New Westminster, and right of-way agent of the Great Northern, was recently killed in a railway accident near Spokane. He was esteemed and respected by all who knew him.

There is said to be some anxiety on the part of the Hedley baseball team to meet the Princetonians on the diamond once more. Labor Day would probably be the most suitable time.

D. O. Day has been laid up for a week with internal derangements but is now much better.

J. D. Springer, of Finch & Campbell, mine investors, Spokane, has been at Bear creek camp investigating some mineral properties there.

It is reported that a large sea serpent has been seen in Otter lake. It is believed to be the same "serp" that was seen by some roisterers a few years ago who drank snake water labelled "Scotland's Best" until each trout seemed a monster of the deep. Otter lake is too pretty to be maligned with such stories. Trout are there, *big* and fat, but the line must be drawn on or at sea serpents.

Local items are crowded out of this issue for want of space.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

I will be in Princeton with a choice variety of fruit, apples, apricots, plums, tomatoes, &c., about 1st August—will make regular trips thereafter. Out of town residents will please leave their orders at the stores.
Keremeos, B.C. F. P. HOWARD.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 100 acres of pasture land situate in the Yale division of Yale district, described as follows: Commencing at the N.E. corner of lot 257, thence north 36 chains to lot 969, thence east 18 chains more or less to China creek, thence south 40 chains more or less following China creek to the north line of C. Asp's preemption thence west 40 chains more or less to point of commencement.
E. I. GROVES,
Princeton, July 14, 1906. per F. W. Groves.

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Heavy Father (violently)—Now see here, Molly, don't let me catch you and young Dovecot flirting together in the conservatory again. Guileless Daughter (demurely)—No, father, you shan't.

The Scot is proverbially careful with money, but if the following be true he is more careful than we before believed. The other day a wild-eyed Highlander entered a chemist's shop and asked for "Twa pennorth o' 'Rough on Rats'; awm sick o' this liie," he gasped out. He was inrormed that it was only sold in sixpenny packets. He looked long and lovingly at his sixpence, and then said: "Then aw'l no commit suicide the noo."

"Then, Maurice, tomorrow I will come with my wife to see you both." "Delighted; but look here—tell your wife not to wear her new diamond earrings, or my wife will at once want a pair!" "O, the mischief! And my wife was only coming for the purpose of showing them off."

Evelyn—You look a bit fatigued, dear. Evangeline—Domestic worries. My husband has had a fearful cold for ten days and I'm so afratd my spaniel wil catch it.

"That new farm hand of yours used to be a bookkeeper." "How do you know?" "Every time he stops work for a minute he tries to put the pitchfork behind his ear."

"Yer Honor," protested the seedy prioner, "dis is jist a case o' perlice persecution. Dey'se tryin ter keep me down, yer Honor. You ain't goin' ter let 'em keep me down, are yer?" "Certainly not," replied the magistrate. "I'm going to send you up for ninety days."

Teacher—How long had Washington been dead when Roosevelt was inaugurated? Scholar—I dunno, but it hasn't been very dead since Teddy has been there.

"Remember," said the angry husband, "what I sav goes." "It does," rejoined his wife calmly, "providing you write it down and put a stamp on it."

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Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate, or if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

The homesteader is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

1. At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.
2. Entry must be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate.
3. If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements as to residence mav be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

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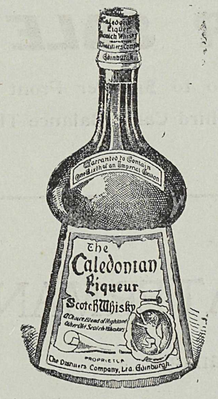

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