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The future of Leadville is assured. J. C. Reilly discovered the Mother Lode. It is over 30 feet wide. Reilly and Jensen have established a camp in four feet of snow, and have got in five shots on the lode. It opened surprisingly good.

J. M. Short, of Joplin, Mo., the largest owner of zinc mines iu the world, was in Princeton recently on his way to Tulameen and Leadville. He could not reach camp Leadville owing to the snow but will come again when it is gone.

The B. C. Copper Company, recently, bonded the following claims on Copper Mountain: Little Gem, Spider, Tin Cup, Oriole, Verde, Jennie Silkman and King Solomon. The owners are D. M. French, C M. and J. Snowden, Thos. and C. O. Day, L. G. Barron and S. R. Almond.

The B C. Copper Co. has six diamond drills at work on Copper Mountain.

Announcement is made from New York that the directors of the Granby Smelting company have declared their regular quarterly dividend of $224,000, payable June 2, but the report creates no surprise, as it was stated that at the time of the resumption of disbursements the company would apportion $1.50 a share among its stockholders every 90 days.

The current issue of the Boston Commercial, which is unusually well informed as to the copper situation, states that the metal is in 'good demand.' Foreign consumers, either due to better banking accommodation or the belief that copper is to enjoy a sharp advance, are coming into the market for good sized quantities of the red metal both for near and forward delivery.

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TRANSPROVINCIAL ROAD.

Government road work is now in full swing and will be continued during the season. The transprovincial road is being completed into town and will follow nearly the old road down to Vermilion avenue. It will take about two weeks to complete this portion and then the main camp will be established at the end of the completed road near Whipsaw. Engineer Ingram will have charge of the technical details in connection with the grading, W. A. McLean is general supervision and N. McFadden is bridge foreman. A bridge with 79 feet span is being built by the latter over Whipsaw creek. Bert Thomas has charge of the repairers and improvements as well as constructing new roads and trails in the district. Needless to say the large appropriations for roads and trails to mining camps and farming sections will be carefully expended and as in former years the results will prove the necessity for opening up the country. Road Superintendent Turner has a busy season ahead and his experience will, no doubt, produce the roads and trails economically for developing the vast resources of the Similkameen.

Homer McLean is timekeeper this season for the T. P. R. force.

RAILWAY POINTS.

The contract for the construction of the Kettle Valley in Coquihalla Pass is reported to have been let to Grant, Smith & Co.

C. J. Seymour, C. E., has left the service of the Kettle Valley railway company and has joined the Pacific and Great Eastern near Lillooet.

Soundings for the K.V. bridge across the Fraser at Hope reach a depth of 80 feet without striking bedrock.

E. E. Coley is running lines near town on the K.V. extension to Copper Mountain.

W. H. Burns, engineer for the K.V., is locating from Osprey Lake toward Princeton.

It is reported that the Kettle Valley rightofway agent is buying on the line at Aspen Grove.

PLATINUM IN B.C.

By FRANK BAILEY, M. E.

(From the Mining Journal of March 1, 1913, London, England.)

Considerable attention is now being paid to the alluvial deposits of the Similkameen and Tulameen rivers in Southern British Columbia, owing to the fact that the Talumeen district has the richest platinum deposits on the North American continent and partly in view of the high price which platinum has attained and the scarcity of the metal. The rise in the price of the metal is probably due to its extended uses in the setting of precious jewels, for which purpose it is better adapted than gold.

To such an extent has platinum invaded the jewellery field, that it has largely displaced gold as a mounting for precious stones. In the Fifth Avenue shops in New York one can look over hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of ornaments without seeing anything but a platinum mounting. Dr. Kunz, a world-wide authority on gems, stated in a recent number of the Engineering & Mining Journal that two-thirds of the finest jewels are now set in platinum, which holds its setting without any danger of loss as in the case of gold. It is an ideal setting for stones, especially for diamonds, as the colour harmonizes better than the yellow colour of gold, and also has the faculty of making a

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TOWN AND DISTRICT

LACROSSE GAME PROBABLE NON!!

L. W. Shatford, M.P P., arrived in town last night on a visit of inspection of public works and also to meet with his constituents. He is in excellent health and beams with his usual optimistic and encouraging spirit.

B. L. Smith, manager of the Bank of Montreal, returned from a business visit to Spokane last week.

J. H. Jackson, reported last week as seriously ill in a Spokane hospital, is better and is coming home.

A meeting of the lacrosse club will be held at the Princeton Drug Store at 8:30 p. m. on Saturday, May 3rd. All players and members are requested to be present. The club has been requested to hold another of their popular dances on Friday, May 9th. This matter will be taken up at the meeting on Saturday. The Sec'y of the Princeton lacrosse club has not as yet received a reply from the Keremeos club, confirming the report that the Princeton lacrosse team would play there on the 24th of May.

Miss Olding, teacher, of Grand Forks, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hunter.

The Princeton carriage and iron works and blacksmith shop owned by Knudson & Co has been rented by Mr. McGillivray blacksmith of Coalmont. He will conduct the business from the 1st of May.

Mrs. Wilkinson, daughter of J. Budd, and her son are visiting her father at Deer Valley ranch, having come from Oklahoma about three weeks ago.

The Oddfellows' 94th anniversary service last Sunday was conducted by the chaplain of Princeton Lodge No. 52, Rev. T. A. Osborne. He preached an eloquent sermon from Luke x: 'The Good Samaritan' being the subject, linking with it an account of the working of Oddfellowship and its effect on society at large. There was a large attendance of brethren and sister Rebekahs, together with the general public. This benevolent order is flourishing in Princeton and the membership is increasing rapidly.

A. S. Black, barrister, of Greenwood, was in town on a business visit last week. He likes Princeton in its every aspect and will probably locate here in the not very distant future.

H. L Nelson is leaving Princeton next week and is closing out business. Mr. Nelson has made many friends in his business relations during his stay here. Wherever he locates his many friends will wish him success.

Rev T. A. Osborne leaves next Monday for Armstrong, B. C., where the district meetng of the Methodist church for the Okanagan and Similkameen districts will be held. From there Mr. Osborne proceeds to the annual conference at Wesley church, Vancouver, on the 12th instant. Services in the meantime will be discontinued until further announcement. Next Sunday may be Mr. Osborne's last sermon in this section.

The Ladies' Hospital Auxiliary will give another afternoon tea from 3 p m. to 6 in the building next the moving picure show on Friday May 16. The public generally is cordially invited to patronize the auxiliary in the work of aiding the hospital. The last afternoon tea was very successful, netting $21. The teas will be given monthly.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Willarson were recent visitors to Spokane.

THE WIDE WORLD.

A bill to abolish plural voting at elections in the British isles has been introduced in the House of Commons by the government, and has passed its first reading by a vote of 303 against 107.

Direct election of United States senators became one of the provisions of the Constitution on the 8th inst., by Connecticut's ratification of the amendment to that effect. Thirtysix states, the requisite three fourths of all in the Union, have now approved the change.

Included in the Democratic tariff revision bill introduced in Congress on the 7th inst., is an income tax section which would require every resident of the United State who earns more than four thousand dollars a year to pay a tax of 1 per cent. on his income in excess of the exemption, adding a surtax of 1 per cent. additional on incomes in excess of twenty thousand dollars; 2 per cent additional on incomes in excess of fifty thousand dollars, and 3 per cent additional on incomes in excess of one hundred thousand dollars. The bill also would reenact the present corporation tax law imposing a 1 per cent. tax on the earnings of corporations, stock companies, insurance companies, and the like, but it would exempt partnerships. Estimating the loss of revenue from the new tariff rates at eighty million dollars a year, the revenue from the income tax will be estimated at a like amount.

William J. Bryan, secretary of state, is ready to put forward his first distinctive policy of an international character. It is a plan for promotion of world peace which contemplates the negotiation of treaties between the United States and all the civilized nations of the earth. It will have as its most original feature a temporary limitation upon the armament and war preparations of disputing nations.

Joseph Cook, the new opposition leader, in a speech delivered at Parramatta, Australia, recently, and which opened the Liberal federal campaign, declared that the road to its attainment was unification.

PLATINUM IN B.C.

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gem set in it look larger than it really is. A leading jeweler remarks: "Everything is platinum now, and it seems to have a great future ahead of it."

In addition to its value for jewellery, platinum is in so much demand in the arts as for electric, chemical and scientific apparatus and other uses, that scientific men say it must be found, as there is nothing else known to take its place.

That platinum exists in economic quantity in British Columbia placers is evident from the returns officially recorded. The Geological Survey give the production in earlier years as follows:—

Year.	Value.	Year.	Value.
1887	$5,000	1895	$3,800
1888	6,000	1896	750
1889	3,500	1897	1,600
1890	4,500	1898	1,500
1891	10,000	1899	825
1892	3,500	1900	Nil
1893	1,800	1901	457
1894	950	1902	190

This gives a total estimated value of $44,972.

The records available are, however, very imperfect. In those days, too, nobody paid any attention to platinum, regarding it as worthless, and the prices ranged from 50c. to $3.50 per ounce.

The Similkameen country has for years been known as a rich mineral district, and the Tulameen river is its main west fork. The rapidly growing town of Princeton is situated in the forks of the two rivers, which in former days were known as the South Similkameen and Vermilion rivers—today the Tulameen.

My first visit to the Tulameen was in 1899. I have, however, repeatedly visited this district of great possibilities every year.

Whilst the Similkameen river was found rich only in spots, the early placer miners in the 'sixties got richer and larger returns from the Tulameen. The largest gold nugget found during the Granite creek excitement was reported to me to be worth $350.00, whilst several nuggets, ranging in value from $85.00 to $150.00 were picked up from the beds of the Tulameen river and its tributaries. Several conflicting reports are made on the estimated output of gold from the Granite Creek and Tulameen diggings during and long after the rush of miners from the California goldfields to the Tulameen. They evidently all made good, and spent their gold dust as fast as they made their daily cleanups. This has been corroborated by the few old timers who returned to this district at the close of the Cariboo excitement, which was the direct cause of the general exodus of miners from the Tulameen district into the far north.

The Tulameen river heads in the Hope range of mountains, near the International boundary line, and flows north to Summit Camp, thence in an easterly direction to the mouth of Peer Creek, thence in a southeasterly direction to Granite Creek, keeping a general southeasterly course through the main canyon of the Tulameen to the Princeton coal basin, whence it flows northeasterly to its confluence with the Similkameen river at the town of Princeton.

At the present time there are many different ways of reaching Princeton and the Tulameen district. The quickest route from the cities on the Pacific

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

T. C. Brooke leaves next Monday for Lethbridge and will probably go to England to settle up an estate. He will be away some months.

Mrs. D. McCaffrey will receive second Wednesday in each month.

Wilson Bros. have the contract for a residence for R. W. Morean, the location being on the bench overlooking town.

W. Lowe, of Keremeos, has been in town visiting and is looking fine.

J. J. Malone arrived from Nelson on Wednesday.

Married.—On the 1st inst. at the home of Mrs. P. Wilson, Geo Ramsay of Wash., U. S., to Lily Boone, of Sacramento, Cal. Rev. T. A. Osborne conducted the service.

M. S Wilson has the contract for remodeling and decorating the residence on Fenchurch Av., belonging to the Princeton Coal and Land Co.

The board of trade has received from Frank I. Clarke, a request to give any information relative to the district, for publicity purposes. Mr. Clarke is appointed by the government to gather similar information from all parts of the province, the whole to be forwarded to the agent general for B. C. in London, England. As a guide for investors the information should be thoroughly reliable and every person interested in the district can help the board to collect data, &c.

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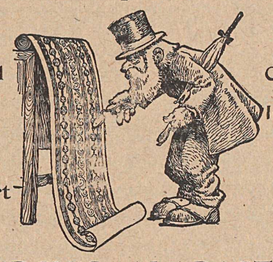

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coast is via the Canadian Pacific Railway to Merritt in the Nicola valley (nine hours), thence by automobile stage to Coalmont (four hours), thence by the V. V. & E. Railway (Great Northern Railway) to Princeton (one hour), the total distance from Vancouver being about 290 miles. Another route is by all rail from Vancouver to Princeton and Coalmont via Spokane, Washington, U. S. A., on the Great Northern Railway.

Both the V. V. & E. Railway and the Kettle Valley Railway (C. P. R.) are building their lines up the Tulameen valley as far as the headwaters of the Coldwater river on the divide between the watersheds of the Okanagan and Fraser valleys, but from this summit they both go down the Coquihalla valley on the one line to Hope, where they again build separate lines to Vancouver. The Provincial Government are about to construct a waggon road up the Tulameen river to Summit Camp from Otter Flats (now known as Tulameen City). At present the only available method of going up the Tulameen is by the old Hudson's Bay pack trail from the end of the present waggon road. Both these new railways should give direct transportation to Vancouver when their lines are completed, in less than two years from date.

The Similkameen and Tulameen rivers have been for many years famous for the remarkable quantity of black sands contained in their gravels, which all, more or less, contain gold and platinum. Mr. C. F. Law, who knows the district, places the production of platinum from the Tulameen and its tributaries at 20,000 ozs. While this amount was saved and marketed, how much more was probably lost? The black platiniferous sands held in the riffles and sluice boxes were regarded as of no value in those days, and were thrown away. For instance, according to the "Mineral Industry," platinum was selling in Russia in 1898 at $7.75 to $8.75 per oz. Today it is quoted in New York at $45.50 per oz. for refined metal and $48.00 per oz. for hard metal. This represents an average increase in price of over 50 per cet. per annum, or 600 per cent. in ten years. The Tulameen platinums are classed as hard metals.

Many papers and articles have from time to time been published in different journals on the platinum deposits of the Tulameen by prominent mining engineers and scientists, quotations from which are as follows:—

The late Dr. G. M. Dawson said of the platinum in the Tulameen in his work on the "Mineral Wealth of British Columbia": "The metal occurs in notable quantity in the region of the Upper Similkameen in minute scales where the gold is fine, but increasing in coarseness to small pellets and nuggets in places where coarse gold is found. Coarse grains and pellets have so far been found only on Granite, Cedar and Slate Creeks, all entering the Tulameen, on the south side. In certain claims in these creeks the platinum has been found to equal half the weight of gold obtained. . . . Though above referred to as platinum, the metal so named is alloyed with several other metals of the same class, of which osmiridium is the most abundant."

Professor James Fullum Kemp was probably one of the first to make a study of the Tulameen platinum deposits in 1900. He states that platinum has been detected in pyroxenites, and even in crushed and chloritised granite in the Tulameen region; also that the richest platinum nugget yet assayed and recorded gave 86.50 per cent. platinum, and that the proportion of the metal found runs down to 68.8 per cent., and adds: "Platinum has been obtained in commercial quantities in connection with the gold washings of South Western British Columbia, and this source has proved to be the most productive of all thus far developed on the North American Continent. As regards platinum, the area of chief interest is in the valley of Slate Creek and along the Tulameen river."

In the summary report of the Geological Survey of Canada for 1908, R. W. Brock, Director, remarks: "Mr. Chas. Camsell completed his study of the Hedley mining camp, and began a survey of the Tulameen district. The latter is unique in that it is the only district in Canada where platinum gravels have been worked on a commercial scale. Railway facilities for this section are projected, and with the solution of the transportation problem it is expected that this portion of the country will be actively developed. The present work is in anticipation of this."

Mr. Charles Camsell, of the Geological Survey of Canada, gives some very interesting information regarding the Tulameen alluvial deposits in the different Blue Books lately published by the Department of Mines at Ottawa. Mr. Camsell is now known by his colleagues as the "Diamond King," as he was one of the first to discover diamonds in place in the platinum belt of the Tulameen, and the Department

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

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The Labor commission appointed by the provincial government to enquire into all matters relating to labor will sit in Princeton next Thursday, May 8th, at the court house. There are many questions affecting labor which require remedial legislation and due enforcement of existing laws. It is certain that anything which will better the conditions of labor morally, physically and financially, will reflect in the contentment and happiness of laborers. The present high cost of food, weekly payday, cash or credit, one day of rest each week for man and brute, abolition of the credit and treating systems, womanhood suffrage and law re rent and debt simplified and made quicker in action, these are some crude suggestions for witnesses to elaborate and emphasize and they all concern those who receive pay for labor of any kind. The unrest of laborers is traceable to two direct material causes: Greed for dividends and the grinding process to obtain them; lack of confidence in employers. Cold reserve, hauteur, lack of social intimacy, superior airs on the part of officials and owners breed estrangement and contempt. On the other hand employees violate rules regarding time and faithful service provoking strained relationships and distrust. Anyone having interest in the broad question of labor is invited to attend the meeting of the commission.

Under the cloak of loyalty some jingo patriots in south Vancouver and also at Victoria have asked that British born be given preference in city work. What a fine sample of egotism, selfishness and gall? This is a free country, without class distinctions or the preferred few. If preference or favor is shown in any civilized country it is to the native born, the members of the national family. Canadians invite the respectable people of the whole world to come and make their homes here and become citizens. It would not be honorable or just to deny them certain positions because they were guilty of the 'crime' of having been born in the United States, France, Germany, Denmark, Norway, Switzerland or Sweden. No citizen's blood or origin should bar him from filling the highest position in the land. Special privileges to a few would mean the revival of feudalism and government by the hereditary nobles. Liberty, equality, justice are the fundamentals of democracy and are opposed to serfdom, a privileged class, favoritism, characteristics of aristocracy and those who ape it. Canada must be fair and impartial to all its subjects.

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The Kamloops Standard has a long editorial repeating the wail of the preachers on the lack of interest in religion and pointing out that the church should be more practical if 'indifference' is to cease. The greatest preacher of all time was followed by the multitude because he not only preached but healed as well, giving sight to the blind, making the lame walk, curing all diseases, finally commanding his disciples in every age and clime to 'preach the gospel and heal the sick.' 'The works that I do shall ye do.' Preaching and healing are inseparable and for 300 years after the ascension of the Saviour the church did both as bidden. When return is made to the primitive way there will be multitude audiences. Too much learning has made preachers pharisaic and disobedient. The new testament was not written by D.D's but nearly all by three humble fishermen, a tentmaker and a publican. The scholars have muddled religion until there are hundreds of sects and beliefs where there should only be one, hence the great falling away and lack of interest instanced by the Standard.

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This notice was posted on the ground on the 21st day of April, 1913. The application will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Ashcroft.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Righs, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

THOMAS RABBITT
Applicant.

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Notice is hereby given that I Thomas Rabbitt of Tulameen Valley will apply for a licence to take and use 250 acre feet per annum of water out of a small creek, which flows in a southerly direction through Lot 152 and empties into Tulameen River near Lot 152. The water will be diverted at Lot 152 and will be used for irrigation purposes on the land described as Lot 152, Yale Division of Yale District.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 21st day of April, 1913. The application will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Ashcroft.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

THOMAS RABBITT
Applicant.

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PLATINUM IN B.C.

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of Mines have recently published Mr. Camsell's bulletin on the Tulameen diamond deposits, which is very interesting, and this last summer the investigations made by Mr. Charles W. Thompson, the diamond expert from South Africa, confirms the writer's belief that the gravel bars and benches of the Tulameen and its tributaries from the Tulameen Canyon, about six miles below Granite Creek to about half a mile above Champion Creek, could be profitably worked on a large scale by the many different companies and individuals now owning and holding leases in the above mentioned area.

Whilst nearly all these extensive gravel bars and benches carry gold averaging from 30 cents to $1.50 per cubic yard, they are rich only in spots, and many of these rich spots were worked in early days near and on bedrock, which was exposed in the bed of the Tulameen river and Granite Creek, but the majority of the larger gravel benches have great possibilities, more especially so in the old river channels, which can be traced in different parts of this district.

The search for platinum veins or deposits has not as yet been a commercial success, the platinum being very unevenly distributed in the chromite and magnetite irons, as well as the olivines, serpentines (Tulameen dunite), pyroxenites and peridotites, besides the other rocks in this "platinum belt," but both the gold and platinum nuggets found in the alluvial deposits show that they are of local origin. The largest nugget of gold and platinum the writer has handled from this district weighed about 5 ozs., which was owned by one of the old timers of Granite Creek.

In early days the placer miners were greatly hampered with what they called "white gold" in their sluice boxes, which was then worth practically nothing, many many hundreds of pounds of valuable platinum were dumped out and covered up by their tailings, and Messrs. Cook, Blair & Rabbit bought a lot of it for 50 cents per pound, whilst today it is worth over $45.00 per ounce. When it became a little more valuable many sacks of platinum were packed out and shipped to the California markets, New York, and Hatton Garden, London. A sample of this Tulameen platinum was also sent by Mr. Gilbert Blair (now of Vancouver, B. C.) in 1897 to England for analysis, the percentage of which is as follows: Sheffield Smelting Company, Sheffield, England, June 18, 1897—Platinum (Pt) 78 per cent., gold (Au) .45 per cent., silver (Ag) .28 per cent., iron (Fe) 9.80 per cent., nickel (Ni) .10 per cent., iridium (Ir) 4.02 per cent., Palladium (Pal) .50 per cent., copper (Cu) .85 per cent., osmi-iridium 6.00 per cent.

A recent assay by the Government Assay Office of some of the black sands taken from a bench on Granite Creek gave the following returns: Black sand—Gold, 3.6 ozs. per ton; platinum, 7.6 ozs.

Another sample of black sand taken from the Roamy hydraulic leases, situated about five miles below Granite Creek, near the Tulameen river, which was assayed in Victoria, B. C., gave the following results: Gold, 2 ozs. 4 dwts.; platinum, 1 oz. 3 dwts.

In December last Mr. Blair sent to the Department of Mines at Ottawa for examination a sample of 4 ozs. of black sand concentrate from 1 1-2 to 2 cubic yards of river sand and gravel. The report, dated December 28, 1911, is: "On assay this material was found to contain: Platinum at the rate of 521.57 ozs. per ton of 2,000 lbs. of concentrate; osmiridium at the rate of 59.82 ozs., gold at the rate of 75.82 ozs., silver, very small quantity undetermined." This represents $1.15 to the [illegible] yard of gravel.

One of the best deposits of alluvial platinum is between the mouth of Bear Creek and Eagle Creek, on the leases now held by Messrs. Ford &McConnell, a large amount of both gold and platinum was washed up in rockers and sluice boxes in the early days on the shallow bars in the bed of the Tulameen river and near bedrock, where

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Penticton—Tuesday, May 6th, 10 a.m.
Hedley—Wednesday, May 7th, 2 p.m.
Princeton—Thursday, May 8th, 8 p.m.
Greenwood—Saturday, May 10th, 2 p.m.
Phoenix—Tuesday, May 13th, 2 p.m.
Grand Forks—Thursday, May 15th, 8 p.m.
Other meetings will be announced later.
The Commission will hear evidence on all matters affecting labor conditions in the Province. All persons interested are invited to be present.

H. G. PARSON, Chairman.
F. R. MCNAMARA, Secretary. m1,20

Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations.

COAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the North-west Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1. an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applitcant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-division of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be stalzed out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5, which wtll be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royal.y shall be paid on the merchantabfe output of the mine at the rate of five per cent per ton

The person operating the mine sball furnish the Agent with sworn rerurns accounting for the full quanity of merchantabl e coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lease may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secrstary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

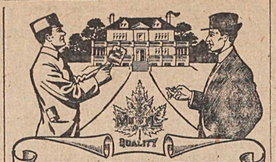
N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisment will not be paid for.

NOTICE.

Argentine Fraction mineral claim: situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located, Voigt mountain.

Take notice that I, George W. Aldous, Free Miner's Certificate, No. 60892B, 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 20th day of March, 1913.



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Take notice that Charles Bonnevier for himself and agent for Gustaf Pouwels F.M.C. No. 53823B, Free Miner's Certificate No 53824B, 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.

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The Canadian Mining and Exploration Company, Ltd., has been formed for the purpose of financing and operating favorable mining enterprises, connected with any class of mineral product. Opportunities in Canada receive first consideration, but the company is open to investigate propositions submited from other sources.

The company is prepared to provide capital for the extension of plant or reequipment of producing mines or to undertake their management; to finance and work idle properties, already developed; or to test prospects from the earliest states of their development. In view of the natural limitations to the outside activities of a single company, it is impossible, in most instances, to consider propositions presented without satisfactorily definite and reliable data regarding the probable extent and value of the mineral occurrence, so far as existing indications permit. It often happens that mining companies, in search of promising prospects, will pass over good opportunities because presented to them in terms too indefinite to inspire the confidence necessary to warrant a field inspection.

The prospector or owner is urged to perform as much exploration as his means allow, before seeking funds for equipment. This development should increase the prospective value of his ground, and, by enabling him to express its mining possibilities in more definite terms, place him in a stronger position to negotiate for the provision of working capital.

For the general guidance of those who may be prepared to bring propositions to our notice and may be little acquainted with the requirements of preliminary valuation, there are given below a few notes on the data most advisably submitted, in communicating with our Canadian or New York offices.

Mining prospects—locality, character of deposit and country rocks.

Testing results to date. Sketches, however rough, showing the outcrop of the vein or deposit provided, and the position and extent of workings, are invaluable. It is important to state clearly the character and average width of the vein, the distance over which it can be traced, the number of exposures, how far these have been stripped and how far apart. Samples from the various exposures should also be taken. These samples can be very easily cut with a small prospector's pick and a moil and should weigh approximately two pounds per lineal foot of sample trench, care being taken that the sample constitutes a complete section across the vein, including poor and good streaks alike. The width of each sample should be carefully measured and this width, togther with the location of the sample, should be shown on the sketch This information, accompanied by the samples or certificates from a reliable assayer, is of primary importance in arriving at a definite conclusion.

History of the prospect, noting by whom it has been previously examined.

Title.

Terms upon which owner wishes to deal.

Accessibility of property.

Nearest mines, active or idle.

Labor, water, waterpower, fuel conditions, etc., unless abnormal or for some reason, vitally important, require only the briefest reference in preliminary communications.

Developed mines—In the case of developed mines, possibly having a record of production, the information available may be very extensive. In this case, those communicating with us are requested to submit a general description and history of the property, indicating therein what plans, sampling data, records of production, expenditure, analyses, etc., could be forwarded for inspection, should we find the proposition sufficiently promising for further consideration. It is also desirable to state how far the mine workings are open for examination and sampling.

Terms—As a general rule, the Canadian Mining and Exploration Company, Limited, seeks to provide all the capital required for development and equipment, and to acquire a majority interest in the control of the property. The policy is favored of allowing the owner to retain a considerable share in the concern. This basis of negotiation is considered to be in the best interest of both parties. It proves that the owner, with an intimate knowledge of his property, has faith in its possibilities. Further, we appreciate the assistance that may be rendered by the owner, by reason of his special acquaintance with the past records and local conditions, in making the property an industrial success.

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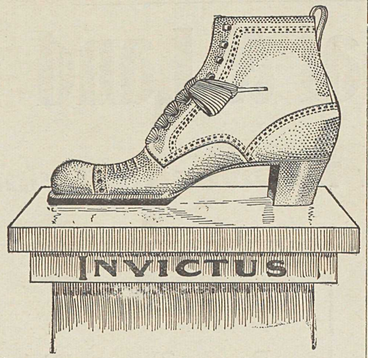

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NOTICE.

Yale land district, district of Yale.

Take notice that Thomas Henry Brown of Rossland, B.C., occupation, banker, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the S.E. corner of Lot 281, thence south 40 chains, east 40 chains, north 40 chains, west 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 160 acres.

THOMAS HENRY BROWN,
H. C. A. Cornish, agent.
February 12, 1913.

NOTICE.

Yale land district, district of Yale

Take notice that George Howard Owen of Rossland, B.C., occupation, banker, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the S.E. corner of Lot 281, thence south 20 chains, west 40 chains, north 20 chains more or less to the Tulameen river, easterly along the Tulameen river to point of commencement, containing 80 acres more or less

GEORGE HOWARD OWEN.
H. C. A. Cornish, agent.
February 12. 1913

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Take notice that Alfred Thomas Collis of Rossland, B. C., occupation, printer intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the S.E. corner of Lot 281, thence north 60 chains, east 40 chains, south 60 chains, west 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 240 acres.

ALFRED THOMAS COLLIS.
H. C. A. Cornish, agent.
February 12, 1913.

A MYSTERIOUS CAVE.

Editor Star—Sir: The following is from the lips of a man who lay dying near Loomis, Wash., ten years ago which he told a friend of mine and I now repeat with your permission in the columns of your bright, newsy and valuable paper. He said this old man, whose name I am not at liberty to publish now, told him that there was a cave on the Tulameen river several miles above Princeton which he visited with a party of friends who went into the cave but never came out. He said there were terrible rumblings and loud explosions when his friends went in. He was so scared that he hurried away with the horses to a place of safety. Hearing of this another party of six men went to look for the cave some years later. They went up on the right bank of the Tulameen river and were told to look for the remains of an old cabin, near which was the cave. They left their horses on the east side of the Tulameen and all crossed over. His five friends and he searched for the cabin and found it and all his friends went in. He was too scared to enter. But the five went in and he heard awful noises. After waiting a day for his friends he hurried alone across the river and back to Loomis. His friends never came back. He wanted to tell it before he died and after telling it he died the next day. The man that told me about this cave is now keeping store in Molson, Wash., and I believe he was telling the truth. Geologists tell us there were volcanoes along the Tulameen in the Paleozoic age and that accounts for so much rock in the coal or coal in the rock. My son always intended to go and look for this cave but something prevented him. I am not used to writing for publication.

R. C. ARMSTRONG.
Keremeos, April 25.

SMILES.

A man may pay cash for all else that he buys,
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RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Anglican services will be held on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Union service will be conducted in the courthouse Sunday next at 7:30 p.m. by Rev. T. A. Osborne.

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