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ONE MORE BIG BOND

J. FRANK COLLOM SECURES THE MABOU AND OHIO.

Two Claims and Two Fractions Bonded for $65,000—All the Property Between the Arlington and Enterprise Taken Up.

Another big bond was put through on Tuesday evening by J. Frank Collom, whereby he secured control of the Mabou and Ohio group, situated just above the Enterprise and being the last property between that mine and the Arlington. It is the third bond made by Mr. Collom in as many weeks, and he now has all the ground under his control from the Arlington to the Enterprise. To secure this ground, it has cost Mr. Collom $126,000, being $55,000 for the Speculator, $3,000 for the Gertie R, and now $65,000 for the Mabou and Ohio.

The bond is very similar to the others signed, calling for a certain amount of development during the life of the agreement. A first payment, of five per cent, is to be paid on December 4th, and a similar sum nine months from date, and the balance on September 4th, 1901. The properties in the group are the Empress Fraction, Mabou, Ohio, and the Summit fraction, while the owners are R. I. Kirkwood, Frank Wells, A. Tunks, and Geo. Williamson, of New Denver; Duncan Grant, of Silverton; and Mrs. C. E. Smitheringale, of this town. Mr. Kirkwood is the largest owner and, as in the case of the Speculator, the papers are held in the Bank of Montreal, Nelson.

The group is one of the best known in the camp and was staked immediately after the Enterprise chiefly by Mr. Kirkwood. Situated immediately above the Enterprise and Neepawa, it holds the unique position of commanding the rich veins from either mine clear across its own ground. Both veins have been cut and opened up, each showing ore. The group will also cover the Arlington vein coming over from Springer creek. Upwards of $7,000 worth of work has been done upon the property in the way of opening up the leads. Small cabins have been erected, while easy communication is provided by means of the government trail. With the Speculator also under his control, Mr. Collom has the most valuable aggregation of mining property in this section and the indications point to ore resources of untold greatness and wealth. No camp in Kootenay can show a richer and mightier zone than that embraced in the section referred to, and mining men are thoroughly agreed on the point.

Mr, Collom will lose no time in exploiting his latest purchase and will immediately set things in order for the winter's development. To the town and camp this huge deal means everything, as the machinery has now been set in motion for future expansion and prosperity. No better advertisement of the resources of the camp could be offered than this succession of successful deals.

Bondholder to Ship.

R. C. Campbell Johnston, the owner of the Bondholder group, stated in Nelson a few days ago, that he purposed stoping out a carload of ore from that property and make a shipment. It will be the initial effort and the developments will be watched with interest. Three years ago a little ore was taken out on the Ten Mile side and packed down to the wagon road, but it was never shipped. That was at the time of the boom in Bondholder shares on the coast. The present shipment is to be stoped out of the showing on the Graphic, on the Springer slope. It has been opened up for close to 100 feet and is a peach. A recent assay on the ore went upwards of 500 oz. in silver. There is eight or ten inches of this ore to start on.

Road to the Speculator.

So soon as his present contract is finished, Tony Long will move camp to the upper part of the Springer road where 1½ miles of new highway is to be built. It will be from the Arlington workings over that property to the Speculator, lately bonded by Mr. Collom. A great deal of bustle and energy is evident on the Speculator and a large quantity of supplies is being sent up from town. When the upper portion of the road is built, claim holders along the summit will have a snap, as it will provide unexcelled opportunities for reaching the numerous properties in that famous locality.

Trouble at the Queen Bess.

Wednesday evening a number of miners, who had lately been employed at the Queen Bess, came down from Denver on the boat. Dissatisfaction had been rife at the mine for some time, owing to the poor cook employed. It came to a focus Sunday, when the entire crew of 45 men walked down the hill. There was no feeling between the management and the men. An entire new force has been employed.

THE GAME LAWS.

A Brief Summary That Will Prove Helpful to Hunters.

Appended is a brief synopsis of the Provincial Game Act, 1898. From this it will be seen that hunters may, from September 1, commence to shoot deer, mountain goat, mountain sheep (ram) bull cariboo, bull moose, hare, grouse, prairie chicken, ducks of all kinds, bittern, heron, plover, and meadow lark. But the above game may be hunted only within certain seasons and under certain other restrictions, as detailed below, which have been imposed for the protection of game or to check its threatened extermination. Sportsmen, pot-hunters, game dealers, and others interested should govern themselves accordingly.

The open season, during which the undermentioned game birds and animals may be killed is respectively as follows, both days inclusive: Sept. 1 to Dec. 14—Deer, mountain goat and mountain sheep (ram.) Sept. 1 to D c. 31—Cariboo (male) moose (bull) hare, grouse, prairie chicken. Sept. 1 to Feb. 28—Duck of all kinds, bittern, heron, plover, meadow lark. Nov. 2 to March 31—Beaver, land otter, marten. It shall be unlawful to buy, sell, or expose for sale, show, or advertisement as follows: Ducks of all kinds, heron and plover, during the close season; deer (buck) before Sept. 1; cariboo (male), hare, bull moose, mountain sheep (ram), before Oct. 1; birds living on noxious insects, bittern, English blackbirds, cariboo (cow or calf), chaffinch, deer fawn, under 12 months old, deer doe, elk or wapiti, gull, linnet, meadow lark, moose (cow or calf), mountain sheep (ewe or lamb), English partridge, pheasant, quail, robin, thrush, skylark, eggs of protected birds, grouse at any time, except th blue grouse, which may be sold during the open season.

It shall be unlawful to kill or take in one season more than five bull cariboo or mountain goats; more than three mountain rams; more than two bull moose, bull elk, or wapiti; more than 250 ducks; more than ten buck deer, or to hunt them with dogs or kill for the hides alone, or to take or destroy eggs of protected birds at any time.

Struck the Lead.

Last Monday the Enterprise lead was encountered in the crosscut tunnel on the Mabou, at a depth of over 60 feet and about the same distance from the mouth of the drift. The lead is upwards of a foot in width and shows good ore scattered through the quartz, though little of it is as yet clean mineral. Drifting on the vein, however, will soon bring in an ore chute. On the surface the vein has been cut in half a dozen places, showing the same characteristics as in the Enterprise group. In addition to the Enterprise vein, the lead from the Neepawa has been shown almost the full distance across the Mabou, showing high grade ore wherever opened up. The Mabou is a coming shipper.

What Became of Maxy's Dog Salmon.

Last week THE DRILL had an item about a dog salmon, shot in Goat creek by Maxy Heckmann. What became of it was told in the Nelson Miner of Aug. 30: "William McNabb, the C.P.R. engineer, caught a salmon trout at Slocan lake yesterday that weighed 24½ pounds. It was caught with a troll and took a considerable amount of muscle to land. Mr. McNabb is a brother-in-law of Horace Hume and the fish provided for the guests at the Hume at lunch today and will also see them through dinner." The drinks are on Horace.

Lemon Creek Road.

A big gang of men is now employed on the Lemon creek road, there being 90 men now engaged in its construction, more men having been put on a few days ago. They are shoving the road ahead as fast as possible, in order to get the mill machinery and cable gear up before the snow flies. The survey makes the entire road just seven miles long, of which five miles are about finished, former estimates being astray.

Cameron Gets the Contract.

M. Cameron has secured the contract for hauling the machinery and supplies for the Chapleau management. He has secured additional animals and will rush the material up before the inclement weather sets in. At the beginning of the week there were two carloads of machinery for the mill, the tramway cable and buckets at the siding, which will give him a good starter. Cameron will team the material to the road camps and endeavor to pack the lighter material thence to the Chapleau millsite.

MINING RECORDS.

Appended is a complete list of the various records registered at the local registry office, H. P. Christie being mining recorder:

LOCATIONS.

Aug 27—Rover, Lemon creek, W J Andrews.
Torv, Exchange hill, J T Tipping and H L Fife.
New Apex, last s f Lemon, R A Bradshaw.
Crescent, 2nd n f Lemon, J T Beauchesne.
28—Independence, Lemon creek, H Reichart.
Tea Pot fr, Springer creek, E Jack.
Dipper, same, G Fairbairn.
Eastside, Ten Mile, A Tunks.
Miner fr, same, R I Kirkwood.
E J, 6th s f Lemon, M Ratcliff.
29—Famous, Ten Mile, Mrs E F Ferguson.
30—Hard Scrable, Tobin creek, G T Gormley.
31—Loie, 2nd n f Lemon, I N Dalby.
Little Skookum, Springer creek, same.
Bald Mountain fr, Springer and Ten Mile divide, H Cameron.
Sept 1—Vesta, Ten Mile, Lillian E Gething.

ASSESSMENTS.

Aug 27—Chilkat, Delphian.
28—Aberdeen, Redwood, Headlight.
29—Two Flags, King David.
30—Midland, Flagstaff, True Blue.
31—Native Silver fr, Silver Lode.

TRANSFERS.

Aug 25—Minnie ¼, D D McPherson to J Payne.
White Cloud 1-6, D Kennedy to J Payne.
29—Evening Star 1-6, W Thomlinson to S B Clement and J C Shook.
30—Turo ¼, R Batner to A T R Blackwood.
Hard Scraole, G T Gormley to S G McCallum.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Following is the standing of the pupils in the various divisions of the Public School for the month of August:

SENIOR DIVISION.—Third Junior—Gertie Foley, Mabel Hall, Fanny Robertson.
Third Senior—Hazel Wichman, A. Ross, Jennie Foley.
Fourth—Edith Rackliff, Wonetta Tipping, Clarence Tipping.
Fifth—Russel Robertson, Josie Tipping, Kenneth Shook.
JUNIOR DIVISION.—No teacher.

Union Incorporated.

The last issue of the B C. Gazette contained the articles of incorporation of the Slocan City Miners' Union No. 62. The objects outlined in the articles are purely social and fraternal and come under the scope of the Benevolent Societies' Act. Those signed to the declaration are James Baker, president; George Nichol, vice-president; W. J. Adcock, secretary-treasurer; Frank Purviance, B. Carter, and John E. Skinner, trustees. It is the intention of the Union to shortly acquire land and build their own hall.

Telephone Line Coming.

Slocan is to get telephone connection with the outside world. A provincial charter was recently acquired by the Western Telephone and Telegraph Company of Spokane, who purpose stringing wires to every town in the camp and ultimately to the coast. Their wires will be operated in connection with the Columbia Telephone Company and in strict opposition to other provincial concerns. Construction to this section is to be commenced at once.

Made a Big Strike.

Tom Lloyd, Al. Owens and Bardo Anderson, of New Denver, have just made a rich discovery near the head of Wilson creek. They have located a group of claims on two big leads of galena, one of which shows upward of 12 inches of solid ore. The boys claim to have all kinds of ore in sight and they brought to town a 40 pound sample of the pure mineral as an evidence of their find.

W. Anderson and A. McWhirter, of New Denver, have made a rich find of galena on one of their properties at the head of Granite creek, on the Ten Mile divide.

Ore from the Two Friends commenced coming into town yesterday, three tons being on the first load.

OUR ORE SHIPMENTS

SUBSTANTIAL SHOWING MADE BY THIS DIVISION.

This Season is Far the Best on Record—A Healthy Evidence of the Life and Wealth of the Camp—Enterprise the Biggest Shipper.

One carload, or 20 tons, of ore was sent out during the week, being consigned to Trail by the Enterprise. Shipments from that property are running about 60 tons per month, but recent active developments in that vicinity may stir the management up to greater activity. Next week the Two Friends will enter the year's list, with a 20-ton shipment. It is the intention of the Bondholder to get out a carload of ore, which will be its initial attempt. Other developments are slowly coming to the front.

Following is a list of the shipments this year to date:

MINE.	WEEK.	TOTAL.
Enterprise	20	920
Arlington		300
Black Prince		60
Kilo		20
Hampton		3
Neepawa		7
	20	1310

MINES AND MINING.

Bar silver touched 61½ cents during the week.

Upwards of 20 men are employed on the Speculator.

The Chapleau has a fairly large force of men employed.

The Kilo will employ but a small force during the winter.

Half a dozen men came down from the Smuggler on Saturday.

The Speculator group is to be surveyed at once for a crown grant.

Nat Tucker went up the creek this week to do some development on the Lilly B.

Supplies and building material have been going up steadily to the Speculator.

A survey is to be made of the Ohio and Mabou group and a crown grant applied for.

The packing of ore from the Two Friends was commenced by Bobby Allen on Tuesday.

The owners of the Transfer took up a train load of supplies Monday and will continue development.

Development only is being done at the Two Friends. The carload of ore was taken out by two men.

A. S. Farwell came in from Nelson yesterday and went up with an outfit to survey the Speculator group.

Geo. Sorrell took up an outfit on Monday to represent some property in the vicinity of the Black Prince.

W. A Coplen has bonded his Meadow group of claims in the Cariboo creek camp. It is a galena property and will be worked this winter.

Martin Isaacson took a big outfit up yesterday to the Standard group, near the Republic. He and Henry Boie will develop the property this winter.

UPPER SLOCAN MINES.

The Ivanhoe tramway is almost completed.

The Whitewater exported 181 tons for last week.

More men have been put on at the Emily Edith.

The force at the Last Chance is to be increased.

About 40 men are prospecting on Wilson creek.

The tram and mill at the Noble Five has shut down

Twelve men are employed at the Corinth, under A. Muir.

Sixty tons of ore was sent out by the Slocan Star last week.

There are 12 men employed at the Red Fox, taking out ore for shipment.

An important discovery of six inches of steel galena has been made on the Sovereign.

Maurice Ginzburger, acting for British parties, has taken a bond on the Monitor group at Three Forks.

Last week the Payne shipped 244 tons of ore, the Ruth 16, the Trade Dollar 20, and the Last Chance 20.

Repairs to the Last Chance tram, necessitated by the recent fire, have been completed and the line is again in operation.

Capt. Haas, of the Salvation Army, was here yesterday, canvassing for financial support to the Army cause.

SHIPPING AGAIN

Centre Star Sends Twelve Cars of Ore to Trail.

The Centre Star is making its initial shipment of twelve carloads of ore this afternoon to the smelter at Trail. The cars will average about 30 tons, giving a total of 360 tons for the shipment. To a reporter for the RECORD, Superintendent Davis stated this afternoon that this would be followed by regular shipments.

Death by Suicide.

Chicago, Sept. 5.—The body of Archibald C. Haynes, supposed to have been connected with a New York Life Insurance company was found lying in a bed in a room at Stafford's hotel last night. He is supposed to have suicided.

Hon. Arthur Sewall Dead.

Bath, Maine, Sept. 5.—Honorable Arthur Sewall, democratic nominee for vice-president in 1896, died at 8 a.m. today as a result of a stroke of appoplexy suffered several days ago.

Fell From a Window.

Windsor, Ont., Sept. 5.—R. M. Fitzgerald, an old British pensioner, while leaning out of his bedroom window, overbalanced himself and fell to the ground thirty-five feet below, dying shortly afterwards.

A Notable wedding

Hamilton, Sept. 5.—Harry Ledyard, son of president Ledyard of the Michigan Central railroad, Detroit, and brother of Baroness Von Kettler, whose husband was murdered by the Chinese in Pekin, was married today to Miss Maud Hendrye, daughter of W. Hendrye, the well known railway cartage agent aad horse fancier, this city.

BRAVE DEED OF A GIRL

Stopped a Runaway and Saved Five Persons From Death.

New York, Sept. 5.—Five persons were saved from injury or death last night by Miss Ada Mayo Railey, daughter of Col. Charles L. Railey, a well known horseman of Lexington, Ky. A party of five, including Miss Railey has driven in an open bus from Sea Bright to Pleasure bay, and were returning when, after having gone some distance, they discovered that the coachman was not on the box and that the horses, a pair of powerful animals, were running away.

Miss Railey, who is known throughout Kentucky as a horsewoman of remarkable skill, climbed through a window scarcely large enough to admit her slender body sidewise, managed to get hold one line, and threw one of the horses, bringing the vehicle to a sudden stop on the edge of a ditch near the approach to the bridge across the bay. The frightened occupants climbed out and with the assistance of passersby untangled the animals from the broken harness.

Thoroughbred Stock

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 5.—Hon. Sydney Fisher, minister of agriculture, speaking at the exhibition yesterday, expressed the opinion that just so long as interest in stock breeding was maintained, prosperity would attend the breeders. He favored English as against American thoroughbred stock.

Business Troubles

Wilwaukee, Wis., Sept. 4.—Jacob Gross, treasurer of Gross Bros. company, shot himself Monday afternoon and died last night. Business troubles caused death.

THE BOUNDRY QUESTION.

Question Between Venezuela and Colombia is Settled.

New York, Sept. 5.—Francis S. Loomis, U. S. Minister to Venezuela, said: "I learn that the joint commission of Colombians and Venezuelans appointed by the queen of Spain to decide the boundary line between Colombia and Venezuela, has advanced the boundary line to the Negro river. This gives to Colombia a slice of Venezuela which reduces the size of the latter about one eighth. The land in question is barren country.

Has Disappeared.

Toronto, Sept. 5.—George S. Clutton manager of the city and county loan association of this city, has disappeared. He is alleged to have been short in his accounts.

CROSSED IN A BALLOON

Aeronaut Had Nothing Under Him But the Water.

Paris, Sept. 5. — M. Jacques Faure, has successfully crossed the channel in a balloon. He left the Crystal Palace, London, at 8 o'clock Saturday night and arrived at Alette, Pas De Calais, at 3 o'clock Sunday morning. The crossing of the channel occupied four hours. During this time the aeronaut kept his balloon at a height of 700 metres.

PRINCE AS A DEMOCRAT.

A very remarkable scene occurred in the recent national Democratic convention at Kansas City. The first man of royal blood to sit in all the rights and privileges of a delegate in any convention ever held in the United States was there—and it was a Democratic convention. He was Prince David of Hawaii. Strager still it was his vote at the meeting of the committee on resolutions that put the free silver plank into the platform:

Apparently no one knew his views as he sat silent in the meeting—a meeting which lasted all night, because of opposition to the free silver. When the time came for him to vote, the ballot stood 25 to 24 for free silver. If he voted with the majority, the resolution was lost. But he did not. And today the newspapers are commenting on the singular balance of power held by a delegate from the youngest of the territories, especially in view of the attitude of the Democratic party toward the admission of Hawaii. President Cleveland for a time prevented annexation, and leading Democrats opposed it. Yet the first representative from the "Paradise of the Pacific" is placed in a position to cast the deciding vote on the most important plank in the party platform—a platform upon which the entire election may easily hinge.

The Death Roll.

Toronto, Sept. 4.—John Rankin, collector of customs at Bowmanville from 1871 to 1899, is dead here, aged eighty-five.

Chatham, Ont, Sept. 4.—Robert O'Hara, local master in chancery died here yesterday morning, aged seventy-seven years.

Sarnia, Ont., Sept. 4.—Charles McKenzie, ex-M. P. and brother of the late Hon. Alexander McKenzie, is dead.

Liberals are Hopeful.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Sept. 5.—At a political picnic held here on labor day. under the auspices of the liberal association, Hon. Mr. Tarte predicted that the liberals would carry 51 out of 65 seats in the province of Quebec. Hon. Mr. Mulock also expressed the opinion that the public would support the Laurier administration for what it had done during the last four years.

MUTINY ON BOARD

Muleteers Did Not Like Their Food--and Rebelled.

New Orleans, Sept. 5. — The British transport Montcalm with 1400 mules for South Africa, has been anchored in midstream a few miles below this port for 48 hours with a mutiny on board. English stokers refused to work alongside Danish stokers and Chicago muleteers rebelled against the quality of food furnished. Last night scores of the ringleaders of the mutiny were placed in prison.

Causes of the Trouble

Sunday, however, the British stokers refused to go to work. They had learned that four Danish stokers had been given places on the ship's crew and they refused to handle a shovel of coal until they had been displaced.

Then a complication developed in another quarter. Seventy old muleteers had been shipped, 30 of whom hailed from Chicago. The Chicagoans had had one meal from the ship's fare and went on a strike. Forty of the ringleaders were placed in jail, but the muleteers made their escape.

Archdeacon Mills

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 5.—After several ballots had been taken in this morning's session of the Ontario synod, Archdeacon Mills of Montreal, was elected Co-adjutor Bishop of Ontario.

Baffled Physicians

Watertown, N. Y. Sep. 5.—Mrs. Wm. F. Rose, of Copenhagen, whose case had baffled the medical fraternity of the state died yesterday. During the past few years she had had fifty operations performed and nearly three thousand pounds of fluid taken from her body.

BROKE HER PROPELLER

Transport California, ten Days Overdue, at Manilla.

Washington, Sept. 5.—The war department today received a cablegram saying that the California had reached Manilla, having been delayed by a broken propeller.

The California was about ten days overdue. It is reported that 700 tons of commissary stores which she carried have been damaged or destroyed. How this occurred was not stated in the brief cable received by the war department.

King Must Die

Ottawa, Sept. 5. — Alexander King who shot and killed one Davenport at White Horse Rapids must die at Dawson City on October 2nd, a commutation of sentence having been refused.

A Conservative Nomination.

Meretville, Ont., Sept. 5.—North Leeds and Grenville conservatives have chosen J. E. Lavell, of Smith's Falls to oppose F. T. Frost.

Is Renominated

Durham, Ont., Sept. 4.—Liberals of South Grey have again nominated Dr. Landerkin.

An Even Score

Toronto, Sept. 4.—The result of the lacrosse games between Toronto ond New Westminster clubs, four to four, was naturally a surprise, taking into consideration the manner in which the westerners defeated the Montreal, Quebec and Ottawa teams.

Accidentally Drowned

Perth, Ont., Sept. 4.—Willie, son of G. G. Publow, of this town was drowned while playing on sawlogs at Allan's sawmill yesterday

DRINK DID IT.

A Lawyer's Clerk Shoots Two Men.

New York, Sept. 5. — Martin Wellman, a lawyer's clerk, in a drunken frenzy, to-day shot James Allen and John Kane, tha former will die. Wellman had to be clubbed into unconsciousness before he would surrender to the police who effected his arrest.

Are Holding Off.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 5. — The evening Independent, conservative, publishes an interview with George Taylor, sonservative, to the effect that the liberals are in bad condition in Eastern Ontario and Quebec and are holding off the announcement of a dissolution on that account.

A UNIQUE LAWSUIT

Damages for the Violation of Religious Doctrines.

New York, Sept. 5.—One of the laws of Judaism society, regarded by the more pious of the faith, is that no one of the faith shall handle fire on the Sabbath. The pious Jew does not light his fire nor gas. Above all things he does not smoke tobacco. Samuel Froomkin avers that he is one of those who lives strictly to the tenets of the faith. Because, as he alleges, Harris Hyman has circulated a report that Froomkin smoked a cigar on the Sabbath, Froomkin has brought an action in the city court, contendtending than Hyman has injured him in his business and good standing in the community to the amount of $2000. The case is unique in the history of jurisprudence.

USEFUL PUBLICATIONS.

Through the courtesy of President W. H. Burman of the Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba, THE RECORD has received copies of recent publications issued by that body, We must congratulate the society on the useful work it is doing. The annual report for the past year, while showing that the society is far from the ideal at which it aims, demonstrates that good work has been done. But it is of the two pamphlets accompanying the report that we wish to speak particularly. One of these is a clear and succinct statement of the progress and condition of natural science in Manitoba and the Northwest. It is from the pen of President Burman, and contains a deal of valuable information relative to explorations, agriculture, meteorology, geology, botany, entomology, and zoology.

The second of the two pamphlets will prove far more interesting to the average reader and at the same time hardly less valuable in promoting the aim of the society. It is entitled "On the St. Paul Trail in the Sixties," its author being W. G. Fonseca, a pioneer of the old Red River days. A native of St Croix, he found his way to the Red River settlement in 1859, engaged in business, married one of the Logan family and settled on Point Douglas, now a part of the city of Winnipeg. His paper is a well written series of reminiscences of the old cart trail from Fort Garry to St. Paul in the days when Winnipeg had not yet come into existence.

The value of such papers, apart from their interest as reading matter is beyond estimation. Too often the people of a city or province allow early historical matter to perish, and then lament vainly after it is irrecoverable.

The pamphlet is illustrated with a number of rough but valuable wood cuts, perhaps the most valuable being a picture of the first newspaper office of Winnipeg in 1860. Another shows a group of early settlers in camp by the roadside.

The national democratic convention cost Kansas City $66,253.

SIEGE IS RAISED

Town Of Ladybrand Is At Last Relieved

Capetown, Sept. 5.—The seige of Ladybrand has been raised after several desperate attempts to capture the town and its little garrison of 150 British troops. The Boers who attacked Ladybrand are estimated to have numbered over 2,000. The British were summoned September 2, but refused and from that time on were subject to continual rifle and cannon fire. The burgers twice tried to rush the British position. Probably the approach of a relief force saved the little garrison.

War Practically Over

New York, Sept. 5—The London correspondent of the Tribune says Lord Roberts' annexation of the Transvaal is generally regarded at home and in South Africa as an indication that the war is practically over. The stock exchange take this view. The effect of the proclamation will be to cause the Transvaal burghers now in arms to be treated as rebels and forfeit belligerent rights. It is hoped that by this means the hoplessness of further resistance will be speedily brought to the Boers. But the experience of the Orange river colony is not altogether encouraging.

Lost in the Catacombs.

Rome, Sept. 5. — Two young Americans, students at the university of Eichstadt, visited the catacombs yesterday with their friends and up to a late hour last night no trace of them had been discovered.

Later.—The lost students Harry Fengel and George Laughey were found at 3 o'clock this morning by German student friends, who carrying torches and guided by the archaelogist Signor Marucchi, had searched for them all night long.

HIS THRONE IS NOW SAFE

Shah of Persia has Captured Ali Mahomet Bey.

Chicago, Sept 5.—A dispatch from Moscow says: "After a desperate fight Ali Mahomet Bey, the rebel who has been trying to get possession of the Persian throne, has been defeated by the Cossacks hastily summoned to oppose his march on the capital and has been thrown into an underground dungeon."

TODAY'S STOCK SALES.

Following is a summary of the sales on the local exchange today together with the quotations:

	ASKED	BID
Athabasca		
B C. Gold Fields	3½	2
Big Three	3	
Black Tail	15	11
Brandon & Golden Crown.	16	10
California	10	7½
Canadian Gold Fields	8¼	7¼
Cariboo [Camp McKinney]	90	84
Centre Star	$ 1 61	$1 57
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	$38 00	$34 00
Deer Trail No. 2	4½	3½
Dundee	15	
Evening Star	9¼	8
Giant	2¾	2¼
Homestake (Assess. paid)	2	1
Iron Mask	35	26
Iron Colt	3	
I. X. L	14½	13
Jumbo	20	18
King (Oro Denoro)	7	4
Knob Hill	60	50
Lone Pine Consol	11	8½
Minnehaha		
Monte Christo	3¾	3
Montreal Gold Fields	4½	2½
Morrison	3	1
Mountain Lion	63	50
Noble Five	5¼	3¾
North Star (East Kootenay)	$1 00	96
Novelty	2¼	1
Okanogan (Assess. paid)	2	1
Old Ironsides	80	68
Payne	91	87
Peoria Mines	3	1
Princess Maud	3½	1¾
Quilp	21	
Rambler-Cariboo	24½	23
Republic	80	72
St. Elmo Consolidated	5	
Sullivan	14	13½
Tamarac [Kenneth]	4½	4
Tom Thumb	20	
Van Anda	3	1½
Virginia	3	
War Eagle Consolidated	$ 1 55	$ 1 50
Waterloo	2½	1
White Bear	2¼	1½
Winnipeg	10	8½

Ellis is Appointed

Ottawa, Sept. 5.—An order in council passed this morning appointing John V. Ellis, M. P. of St. Johns, N. B., to the senate in place of Senator Burpee, resigned.

Seriously Wounded

Ottawa, Sept. 5.—Sir. Alfred Milne cables from Capetown announcing the serious wounding of private C. C. M. Watts, of Virden, Man., (Strathcona's Horse) at Sudfontein on September 1st.

Richard Harding Davis say that the Boers have just as much chance of winning as they ever had. True, no doubt.

The new king of Italy is less than five feet in height.

THE WAR CLOUDS

The Dowager Empress is Still Looking for Trouble

London, Sep. 5.—There is little indication that the dowager empress is ready to treat for peace, even if the allied powers reach an agreement in regard to the best means of opening negotiations. On the contrary many rumors gathered at Shanghai suggest that she is carrying on her anti-foreign policy with increased zeal. The latest reported imperial decree from Tsi Yuan Fu is said to be defiant and unrepentant and to contain the statement that the court fled lest the emperor might be killed during the fighting between the Boxers and Christians and thus leave no one to continue the "celestial worship." The decree is also said to exhort a union of the viceroy's to "avenge the injuries inflicted on China" by the powers.

Rebellion Spreading.

New York, Sep. 5.—The flame of rebellion has been fanned in the southern provinces and a tremendous conflagration is predicted within a month, says a dispatch to the Herald from Hongkong. Placards and pamphlets are being circulated in Canton and the province intimating that the allies are thoroughly routed. The feeling against foreigners is bursting the bounds of offlcial control. The majority of mission stations in Kiang Tung have either been destroyed or looted. Native Christians are terribly abused. A systematic looting of houses of English speaking Chinamen has taken place.

Several reform parties who have their headquarters in Hongkong have signed an appeal to the British minister imploring the assistance of a reform government in establishing Making as the capital and the reelection of enlightened Chinese offlciials to administer the government with foreign advisers. These people are disheartened at the reported intention of the powers to withdraw from China.

Intensified Feeling

The practical cessation of trade with the north has thrown thousands of Chinese in each port out of employment. They are ready to join the rebels. The French aggression at Swatow and Japanese aggression at Amoy, intensify the hatred of the foreigners.

The Imperial Edict.

Washington, Sept. 5.—The United States government have not yet been informed about any further responses being made by the powers to the Russian note respecting the withdrawal of troops from Pekin. Therefore the negotiations on this point cannot be said to have been marked by any formal advancement, though it is known that unofficial exchanges are in progress which doubtless are preparing the way for a formal agreement between the powers in the near future.

The United States government have not yet recieved a copy of the imperial edict referred to in the Shanghai despatches naming Earl Li with several other Chinese notables as plenipotentiaries to negotiate for a settlement with the powers, but the state department is advised of the existence of such an edict.

HELD THE PASS

How Eight Volunteers Routed the Boers.

London, Sept. 1—A Queenstown dispatch describes the capture of Gen. Olivier, during the Boer attack on Winburg. Eight Queenstown volunteers sortied from the town and took up a position in the donga through which the road passed and behind the Boer position. As the Boers retired in single file they were taken one by one, and put out of sight, until the colonials had captured 28, including Gen. Olivier and his three sons. Two hundred Boers were following in close order. The colonials then began a hard volley firing with the result that they killed six Boers and frightened off the others, who had no idea of the actual number in th donga.

CHINA'S OWN TROUBLE.

While China is having trouble with the powers, her greatest trouble arises from her own internal condition. We speak from personal observation when we say that the state of affairs in China is deplorable so far as it relates to governmental and administrative matters, and unfortunately the country seems incapable of correcting its own evils or prescribing an efficient remedy for its own diseases.

The chief and radical difficulty in China appears to be the lack of a strong central government. In some respects China is a mere collection of independent provinces, each of which has its own tautai or governor. This officer closely resembles, in his functions and powers, the ruler of a principality who yields feudal homage to his overlord only so far as suits his advantage or pleasure.

To illustrate this point. When the writer was in China several years ago, part of his mission consisted in investigating the subject of cotton supply and manufacture. Through the courtesy of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., one of the largest firms in the Orient, we were afforded every facility for making this investigation, one of their superintendents, Mr. Ainee, kindly giving us his time und service as chaperone and guide. The result convinced us of several important facts, and it is in the bearing of these on the present serious crisis in Chinese affairs that we wish to speak.

In the first place we were amazed to find the lack of coherence among the states or provinces of China. Of course we were prepared to find them speaking various dialects, the speech of one province being utterly unintelligible to the people of another, and the written or classical language being a sealed mystery to the vast mass of the population. But we had not been prepared to find the general organism of the Empire so invertebrate and impotent. Finding that there is a large territory in the interior of China, admirably adapted to the production of cotton, we inquired why the mills at Shanghai, which by the way are of the most modern type and magnificently equipped with the latest improved machinery, could not get their supply from these interior provinces. We found that an insuperable obstacle was presented in the fact that each province had the power to levy a separate tax upon any commodity passing through its borders, and that this tax or likin, as it is called, depended solely upon the whim of the governor of that particular province. In other words he could levy tribute as freely as any Arab chief who ever exacted booty from a passing caravan, and in most instances he was fully as much inclined to do so. This one fact speaks more than volumes as to the internal relationship in Chinese affairs. It is as if every state from Maine to California, or each province in the Dominion had power to levy a separate tax upon any commodity passing through it, and this tax were regulated solely by the despotic whim of an absolute and arbitrary ruler.

Another startling fact in connection with the administration of affairs in China is the ignorance and isolation of the vast and unnumbered multitudes by which the country is populated. Japan is justly proud of her victory in the war with China, but the fact remains that Japan, thoroughly aroused and imbued with a spirit of martial pride and national unity, fought only an inconsiderable part of China. When we were in China we were reliably informed that millions of her people in the interior were still in ignorance of the fact that a war had been fought with Japan.

China is still living in the darkness of the middle ages, while the rest of the world has made centuries of swift and marvelous progress since those days of feudal ignorance, barbarity and superstition.

STEAMER IS SINKING

Str Cutch Has Foundered in Northern Waters-Refused Help.

Port Townsend, Wash, Aug. 30.—The sreamer Topeka has arrived from the north with 150 passengers and $100,000 in gold dust. The British steamer Cutch is ashore on Horse Shoe reef in Stephens passage, 25 miles from Juneau, and badly damaged. The sea was smooth when she struck on August 24, and passengers and crew succeeded in reaching the beach, where they were camped when the Topeka passed.

The Topeka offered assistance. It was refused, but the cargo was being thrown overboard. The steamer Treadwell was despatched to assist the wrecked vessel, but it was thought she would become a total loss, as she was full of water aft, and settling.

YEAR-BOOK OF CANADA.

The statistical year-book of Canada for 1899 has just been issued, and the RECORD takes pleasure in acknowledging the reception of a copy.

In this era of periodical literature all kinds of "annuals" are issued, from the yellow-covered pages devoted to setting forth the claims of a quack medicine, up to the recondite investigations and proceedings of scientific and philosophic societies. In all the long list none perhaps will be found more practically useful to a resident of Canada than the year-book, now in its fifteenth year, issued by Alfred Hewitt of Toronto. It has come to be a recognized authority, and finds a place in every good reference library. Among its principal features are the following:

A succinct historical sketch, well worth publication as a separate pamphlet and a place in the schools as a text-book. It is supplemented by a statement of physical features, condition and government, treaties, lands and land regulations.

The statistical matter, which is almost overwhelming in its comprehensiveness, and which is methodically arranged, embraces agriculture, mines, fisheries, trade and commerce, currency and banking, railways and canals, marine, postoffice, finance, insurance, telegraphs, telephones, electric lights, militia, social, churches, population, education, libraries, the insane, charities, lepers, temperance work. divorce, patents, vital statistics, penitentiary and criminal, immigration and governmental.

The extent of the book may be judged from the fact that it contains 606 closely printed pages, supplemented by an analytical index of 18 pages.

ARE HOME AGAIN

Wounded Volunteers Have Reached Quebec.

Quebec, Sept. 1.—The steamship Tunisian, from Liverpool, arrived here last evening with a number of invalided Canadians from South Africa, among whom are the following British Columbians: A company, Royal Canadians, Private W. H. Brooking, New Westminster, Fifth regiment. Private C. W. Gamble, Victoria, Fifth regiment Canadian Artillery; Private W. S. Mackie, Vancouver, Fifth regiment.

C. A. Brooking was wounded in the knee while engaged in the battle at Paardeberg and was shortly afterwards stricken with fever. He is still lame from the effects of the wound. He and all other invalids who arrived on the Tunisian speak in high terms of the treatment accorded them in the hospitals in South Africa and England and also of their treatment while on the trip homeward.

FACTS ABOUT OURSELVES.

The year book of Canada just issued gives the following facts about British Columbia:

British Columbia was admitted by imperial order in council, May 16, 1871, on address of the legislature and address of the Federal parliament.

It contains a land area of 382,300 square miles.

Its average mean summer temperature is 61 degrees; winter, 32.4.

Following is the density of population of the several provinces, the figures given showing the average number of persons to the square mile:

Prince Edward Island	51.5
Nova Scotia	22
New Brunswick	11.4
Ontario	10
Quebec	6.5
Manitoba	2.4
British Columbia	.3
Total average, Canada,	1.5

An interesting batch of statistics in the year book is that concerning the educational returns for British Columbia. In 1877 the total number of pupils in common schools was 1938, the average attendance being 1210. In 1899 the total attendance was 7430, the average being 4280. In 1878 there were only 50 common schools in the province; in 1899 there were 244.

The graded school system was inaugurated in 1884 with 7 schools, 22 teachers and 1745 pupils. Last year there were 32 graded schools, 169 teachers and 11,265 pupils. In 1877 there was but one high school, with three teachers and 60 pupils; in 1898 there were four with 12 teachers and 490 pupils. In 1877 the total expenditure by government for schools in British Columbia was $45,350; last year it was $336,016.

The growth of the maritime commerce of British Columbia is shown by the following table of registered sea-going tonnage carrying cargoes into and out of the province, by periods of five years: 1874-78, total tonnage 1,439,817; 1879-83, 2,358,885; 1884-88, 4,089,788; 1889-93, 8.927,979; 1894-98, 11,052,109.

In 1880 there was but one Board of Trade in tha province; now there are 14.

Our Marksmen

Ottawa, Aug. 29.—Shooting this morning was for Kirkpatrick's cup. Three British Columbians were in this competition and won money prizes. Sergt. Major Richardson, Victoria, won $5, with a score of 60, Sergt. Major McDougall and Sergt. Bodley each $5, with scores of 59 each.

SOUTH NORFOLK NOMINATION

T. R. Atkinson will Oppose Tisdale at Coming Election

Simcoe, Ont. Aug. 29.—South Norfolk liberals have nominated T. R. Atkinson to oppose Hon. David Tisdale at the next general elections.

A TRAITORS' SENTENCE.

Deserted Amerieans and Fought Against Them

Chicago, Sept. 1.—Henry Vance, late of the United States Volunteers, was brought from the Philippines on the transport Thomas under sentence of 99 years imprisonment at Alcatraz. This man, it was proven, not only deserted the rank of the American army, but took arms against his comrades and while serving as a major with the Filipino's, attacked wagon trains and escort parties. Vance was captured, court martialed and sentenced to be shot, but owing to the clemency of President McKinley his punishment was commuted to 99 years imprisonment.

Cannot Be Found.

By Associated Press.

London, Sept. 1.—The gunboat which has been searching for the missing boats with part of the crew of the wrecked British steamer India has returned to Aden without meeting with any success.

PRIZE FIGHTING.

Gate Receipts Which Big Contests Yielded.

New York, Sept. 1.—It is estimated that since the passage of the Horton Law in 1896, 3350 fights have taken place in this state the majority in Greater New York.

The total receipts are placed at about $8,805,000. The Erne-McGovern fight drew the biggest crowd and Corbett-McCoy fight had the largest receipts, about $60,000.

BIG STEAMER IS OVERDUE

Fears Entertained for Safety of the California.

San Francisco, Sept. 1.—The big steamer California, bound from this port to Manila, with nearly 6000 tons of supplies for the army in the Philippines, is now out 45 days and 20 per cent reinsurance has been offered on the vessel. The steamer is overdue from Honolulu to Manila easily fourteen days and the general impression among shipping men here is that she has broken her shaft or met with some other accident. The California was launched May 12 and this is her maiden voyage, She is 488 feet long and her measured capacity is 15,000 tons. Her captain is Geo. D. Morrison, who was sent here from New York to take command.

The Globe urges that the British government oppose to the uttermost the idea of the evacuation of Pekin, in which course, the paper adds, it will be supported by Emperor William of Germany.

Russia Has Been Misunderstood

New York, Aug. 29.—"Russia's attitude has been greatly misrepresented. Her operations in northern China are conducted solely for the purpose of restoring peace and order, are absolutely unselfish." This statement, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald, was made by De Woolant, the Russia charge d' affaires. Russian officials have felt keenly the aspersions lately cast upon their country.

The B. C. Lacrosse Men

Montreal, Aug. 30.—The New Westminster lacrosse club yesterday afternoon defeated the Shamrocks of this city by a score of six goals to two. The Gazette this morning, commenting on the result says:

"The more we see of the western men the better we like them." The British Columbian's play the Capitals of Ottawa on Saturday and the Torontos, at Toronto, on Monday, labor day. The Gazette says the probabilities of the results are one less, one win.

RUSSIA'S PLANS

The Emperor Defines the Chinese Situation.

St. Petersburg, Sep. 1.—The emperor has directed the acting foreign minister to address to his representatives abroad, the circular which follows. "The immediate objects which the imperial government had in view at the very outset of the Chinese trouble were as follows:

"First—To protect the Russian legations at Pekin.

"Second—To assure the safety of Russian subjects against the criminal intention of the Chinese rebels.

Third—To render help to the Chinese government in its struggle with these troubles in the interests of a speedy establishment of the legal order of things in the empire.

"As a result all the powers interested, with the same object in view, sent troops to China. The imperial government, therefore, propose the following fundamental principles to guide the powers in China:

"First.—The maintenance of a common agreement among the powers.

"Second—The maintenance of the former state of organism in China.

"Third.—The removal of everything that could lend to the partition of the Celestial empire.

"Fourth. — The establishment with the united powers of a legal central government at Pekin, able alone to preserve order and tranquility in the country. On these points agreements prevail with almost all the powers. While pursuing no other objects the imperial government will continue steadfastly to adhere to its former program of action."

Great Britain's Position.

Londor, Sept. 1.—The foreign office here is not ready to make public Great Britain's position in the recent Chinese situation, but all indications tend to confirm the belief that Lord Sailsbury favors the principle contained in the American-Russian proposals, although he may have some modification to submit.

THE SHOOT CLOSES.

Award of Prizes By Dominion Rifle Association

Ottawa, Sept. 1.—The Dominion Rifle Association meet was finished yesterday. In the governor generals match, Sergt. Major Richardson, fifth regiment, Victoria, won $10 and Sergt. Bodley, of same regiment $6 with score of each of 182. Sergt. Major Lettice and Driver J. L. Beckwith, also of same regiment, with score of 178 and 177 respectively, won $5. Sergt. Major McDougall, with score of 173 won $4. Lieut. Col. Anderson of 43rd. Ottawa, as stated yesterday, won the cup and Dominion Rifle Association medal and $200, with a score of 189.

In the extra series (B-800 yards,) the following British Columbians won prizes: Gunner Bodley and Sergt. Major Richardson, fifth regiment Victoria each $4, score 24 each. In extra series 900 yards: Sergt. Bodley $11.82 score 25; gunner J. L. Beckwith, same regiment $5, score 23. Gibson Match, 500 yards, five shots in one minute Sergt. Bodley $3.64, score 24.

Russia's Notification

London, Aug. 29.—A special dispatch from St. Peterburg contains the somewhat remarkable assertion that Russia will notify the powers that she considers the relief of the Pekin legations as the final accomplishment of the military task of the allied forces.

The afternoon papers, however, regard the activity of the allies at Pekin and the difficulty of discovering a responsible Chinaman, with whom to treat, unless Li Hung Chang is able to secure crerdntials satisfactory to all powers, as indicative that the solution of the problem will be more prolonged and more difficult than previously hoped.

EMERSON RESIGNS.

May Contest Constituency for House of Commons.

(By Associated Press.)

Fredericton, N. B., Sept. 1.—Hon. H. R. Emerson, premier of New Brunswick, handed in his resignation to Lieutenant Governor McLennan last night. intending, it is stated, to either go to the supreme court of the province or contest the constituency for the house of commons. Emerson is succeeded by Hon. L. J. Tweedie as premier and provincial secretary.

Will Oppose Holmes.

Goderich, Ont., Sept. 1.—West Huron Conservatives have chosen Robert McLean to oppose Robert Holmes, the sitting liberal member.

Accidental Death

Belleville, Ont., Aug. 30—Miss Tillie McCrudden, was crushed to death by a train this morning. She attempted to alight after the train started.

SHE BREAKS THE RECORD

The Deutschland Makes Remakarble Speed Aross Atlantic,

New York Sept. 1.—The fameous express steamer Deutschland of Hamberg American line has again eclipsed all previous records for fast trans-Atlantic travelling. She has broken the eastern and western records. Her time on the voyage just ended is 5 days 12 hours 29 minutes between the Mole at the entrance of Cherbourg harbor and Sandy hook lightship. At noon on the 31 she passed the record for the fastest days run, making 584 knots. Her average speed was 23.02 knots per hour.

Imperial Summer Palace Falls

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—General Linevitch, commanding the Russian troops at the Chinese capital, reports that the Russian detachment on August 19 captured without loss, the Imperal summer palace. The Russian artillerymen have also unearthed at Pekin thirty cannons and many rifles. A large quantity of silver was found at Tsung Li Yamen.

The Fleet at Taku

"Inquiry of Admiral Remey, concerning our fleet at Taku, was answered that no such resolution had been adopted. He now cables that the admirals have agreed to write to the Dean of the Legations at Pekin, instructions in case Li Hung Chang snould arrive at Taku, and meantime not allow him to communicate with Chinese shore authorities. Remey dissented from the last proposition. We take the same view expressed in the Russian note. It seems important that the Chinese plenipotentiary should be able to communicate both with his own government and the United States military commandant. The Chinese minister here is without power or advices. Li Hung Chang is prima facie, authorized by imperial decree to negotiate, and is the only representative of responsible authority now in China so far as we are advised.

What with bloody race riots in New York and Louisiana, followed by incendiarism and general slaughter in Ohio and Illinois, the question as to where the center of Boxerdom in America is located seems still an open one.

The Amalgimated Waiters' Society of London has started a movement to do away with the tip custom. The members of the society say that tips are a less reliable scource of income than the salaries paid other workers in the same establishments, and that they detract from their personal dignity.

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EDITORIAL CROPPINGS.

Lord Roberts has annexed the Transvaal to the British flag.

Notwithstanding the mass of opposing literature sent to the house, the government has decided to appoint the commission to inquire into the mining laws.

Hon. Clifford Sifton is authority for the statement that the Dominion elections will not be held this fall, but he would not deny that they may be held before Christmas.

W. A. Galliher received the unanimous nomination at the Liberal convention at Revelstoke on Wednesday, in succession to Hewitt Bostock. He is a strong candidate.

Once more the great C.P.R has patched up its differences with its employees and peace again prevails. Labor, systematically organized and properly conducted, always commands respect and wields a mighty influence.

Fifty thousand striking coal miners in Wales won their point a few days ago and returned to work, and so relieved John Bull of a great fear and apprehension. England wants coal always and without it she is helpless. Coal and beer are two of her main sinews.

Just before the legislature prorogued on Friday, Premier Dunsmuir stated, in speaking of the eight hour law: "It is not the intention of the government to alter the bill; it is now on the statute books and is there to stay." Surely the conviction will now prevail that agitation against the law has no basis of support and no hope of success.

By the narrow margin of 17 to 15, the Grand Forks & Kettle River bill passed the house early Friday morning. While aimed to benefit the Grand Forks smelter in enabling it to secure ores from the Republic camp in Washington, it will also provide a competitive line of railway to the people of the entire Bourdary camp and disrupt the monopoly at present enjoyed by the C.P.R.

The legislature prorogued on Friday afternoon and the members quickly dispersed to their several homes. The session lasted longer than at first thought, but the amount of business transacted was large and important, tending greatly to restore confidence and peace to the laboring, mercantile and financial circles. Reconstruction of the cabinet will now be in order, and it is safe to wager that one of the main portfolios will come to West Kootenay.

The Conservatives of the province met in session at New Westminster last week and set their house in order for the impending federal election. Seventeen resolutions were adopted, approving the policy of the Conservative party, condemning Laurier for his sins of omission and commission, and expressing confidence in the Dominion leadership of Sir Charles Tupper. Charles Wilson, of Vancouver, was chosen the party leader of the province.

At a meeting of the Independent Political Action party, recently organized by the Trades and Labor Council, held in Toronto recently, the following planks in the platform were agreed to: First, direct legislation and proportional representation; second, public ownership of public services; third, single tax; fourth, an eight hour labor day; fifth, total prohibition of the manufacture, sale and importation of intoxicating liquors as beverages; sixth, compulsory arbitration of labor disputes as practiced in New Zealand; seventh, government works to be done by day labor only.

DRILL POINTS.

Coal will be king here during the winter.

Labor day passed off very quietly in town.

Kaslo is to have its famous Comique re-opened.

The public school was closed on Labor Day.

The Arlington sawmill is rapidly assuming shape.

S. Rutherford is the new railway agent at Rosebery.

Every carpenter in town has his hands full of business.

W. S. Johnson and wife returned from Nelson on Monday.

Mrs. Bennett made a short visit to Rossland during the week.

G. B. Chandler has been appointed C.P.R. agent at Silverton.

Hill Bros.' tug came in yesterday with a barge load of lumber.

Bennett & Co. have removed their store into the Linton building.

J. G. McCallum's new residence is in the hands of the plasterers.

R. C. Campbell-Johnston and wife came in yesterday from Nelson.

The local railway officials state business shows a steady increase.

W. Brandon is fixing up a couple of dwelling houses in his townsite.

The pile-driver was taken to Rosebery Sunday to do some repairing.

Work has commenced on the new Miners' Union building at Sandon.

A townsite has been located on Wilson creek, 15 miles from the lake.

S. Sturch has purchased Sam Whittaker's bath house, on the lake front.

Born, in New Denver, on the 31st ult, Mrs. George Aylard, of a daughter.

Monday being Labor Day the record office was not opened for business.

Next Tuesday is the date set for holding the Miners' Union concert and dance.

Mrs. T. Linton and children returned to their home in Rossland on Saturday.

Mrs. John Souter and family left this week to join her husband on Okanagan lake.

Geo. Knowles, wife and children passed through yesterday to their old home in Sandon.

McCallum & Co. are erecting a neat warehouse in the rear of their present premises.

J. G. McCallum has torn down his old store building on the south side of H. J. Robertson's.

Hill Bros. have a greater demand for their lumber here now than at any time since '97.

Ben Robertson was married Wednesday, at St. John, N.B., to Miss Laura Stanley Lane.

Saturday's train out to Nelson was the heaviest in months, the passenger list being extra large.

J. Tattersall has given the order for lumber and will erect a commodious dwelling this fall.

A lecture on the work of the Salvation Army is announced for tonight in the Oddfellows Hall.

Several business men report last month's trade the best they have yet experienced in the town.

Geo. Sorrell has returned from Atlin and Dawson. The old timers are gradually getting back.

It is the intention of the W.C.T.U. to equip and operate a first-class reading room this winter.

The shooting season opened on Saturday and every blunderbuss in town was called into requisition.

The junior division of the public school is without a teacher, Miss Moss having resigned her position.

Rev. Mr. McKee and wife were in attendance at the presbytery meeting held in Greenwood last week.

Rossland had a monopoly of the Labor Day celebration in Kootenay. A single fare prevailed from here.

T. McNeish & Co. are erecting a large warehouse at the end of their store. The old one was torn down.

One or two parties from here attended the opening of Johnny Harris' new hotel in Sandon, last Thursday.

D. Macpherson and Harry Gibson returned on Saturday from a two months' prospecting tour in the Salmo district.

W. T. Doyle and B. O. Keefer are applying to the provincial authorities for a license for the Chapleau hotel, Lemon creek.

The new Arlington telephone line reached the local office of the company on Tuesday, and the system is now installed.

The local Liberals sent no delegate to the Revelstoke convention, nor the Conservatives to the New Westminster gathering.

J. B. Fox, formerly of New Denver, was married at Nelson on Wednesday, to a sister of Martin O'Rielly, the dry goods man.

The latest sport is shooting dog salmon in Goat creek, of which there appear to be many this season—an unusual occurrence.

For sale, cheap.—A cottage and two corner lots in New Denver. Is drawing a good income. Terms easy. Apply at THE DRILL.

Sunday was a busy day with the Slocan, she having made several round trips to Rosebery that day with the freight barge.

Major Allen left Nelson Saturday for the east, to secure the legacy of $25,000 left him by an uncle. He will continue his studies for a physician.

Another week or ten days will finish the new Arlington wagon road. The job is being well done, reflecting great credit upon Tony Long, the contractor.

Bennett & Co. wish to inform the ladies of Slocan and vicinity that their stock of fall hats has arrived. All the latest styles and at the most reasonable prices.

E. P. Bremner, labor commissioner has returned to the coast. While at Rossland he gave much good advice to both miner and owner, urging them to act harmoniously together.

Billy Wall, bridge superintendent for the C.P.R., came in Saturday and went up the creek to inspect the Premier group, in which he is interested. It was his first trip in the hills since 1895.

Tuesday morning, in addition to the usual pack and saddle horses going up the creek, there were four four-horse teams and one six horse team sent up with heavy freight loads.

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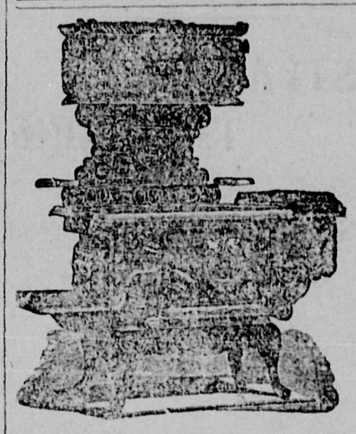

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