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OUR BIG CELEBRATION

DOMINION DAY SPORTS AT SLOCAN ON JULY 2.

Last Meeting of General Committee—Everything Arranged for Next Monday—Excellent Programme Drafted and Published.

Monday evening the final meeting of the various committees in charge of the Dominion day sports was held at the Hicks House, and the whole situation was thoroughly canvassed. The judges for the various events were appointed and many incidental details arranged. One of the most pleasing announcements was that of the finance committee, who reported that in addition to the donations so readily and liberally given by the citizens, J. M. Williams, manager of the Chapleau, would place a handsome silver trophy at the disposal of the general committee. It was decided to donate this to the band boys, who will take charge of it for the time being. The C.P.R. has agreed to hold over the Nelson train Monday evening till 6:30, so that all may have an excellent chance of witnessing each event.

From the enthusiasm shown here and in the neighboring towns, Slocan is certain to have a big crowd and no effort will be made to treat each visitor white. When the morning boat arrives, it will be met by an imposing array of gaily ornamented equipages and a procession formed to march to the recreation grounds. A great deal of interest is being centred in the football tournament, which will be the best affair yet given in Kootenay. Four teams have entered the lists and an exciting time may be looked for. In the bicycle and horse races, too, there is exhibited keen interest and many entries and the events will be sharply contested. In the horse races particularly considerable money has been wagered on the results. Several noted sprints will take part in the footraces, the prizes being equal to those of Nelson.

Most of the sports will be held on Main street, which has been placed in elegant shape. It will be handsomely decorated, in the general furtherance of which each merchant is asked to do his level best. The committee will see that a plentiful supply of evergreens is obtained. At the hotels due provision has been made for the hungry and thirsty multitudes and there need be no apprehension on that score.

Once again it is pointed out that a special train service has been obtained for the upper camp. The train leaves Sandon at 6:45 a.m., connecting with the boat at Rosebery and reaching here at 9:55. Returning, boat leaves Slocan at 7 p.m., the train reaching Sandon at 10:20. Calls will be made at all intermediate points and a single fare return rate will prevail.

Following is the programme of sports for the day:

Football tournament, under the direction of R. M. Covington, for purse of $75, at recreation grounds—9 a.m. Slocan vs Arlington; 10:30, Silverton vs Sandon, regular Slocan league game; 5 p.m. deciding match between winners of above events.

Caledonian sports, to be held on Main street, commencing at 1 o'clock sharp, under control of R. M. Covington, T. Sloan and R. Bradshaw—

	1st.	2nd.
Running hop, step and jump	$5 00	$2 50
Standing broad jump	5 00	2 50
Running broad jump	5 00	2 50
Pole vaulting	5 00	2 50
Boys' do.	1 50	1 00
Boys' standing jump	2 00	1 00
100 yard dash	10 00	5 00
220 do	10 00	5 00
Hurdle race, 120 yards	7 50	2 50
Sack race	3 00	1 00
Three legged race	5 00	1 00
Boys' race, under 13	2 50	1 00

F. Purviance and W. S. Johnson, judges of foot races and A. Rogers starter. Entrance fees of ten per cent to be charged in all events excepting the boys'.

Bicycle races, commencing at the corner of Delaney avenue, under direction of A. C. Smith and W. J. Andrews—

Gents' race, three times round block,	$7 50	$2 50
Ladies' do., once around	5 00	2 00
Boys' do, under 14,	2 00	1 00

Ten per cent entrance in the gents' race.

Horse races, on Main street, Nap. Remileard, starter; A. York, J. G. McCallum and T. McNeish judges—

Slocan Lake race, for horses owned on Slocan lake,	$50 00	$25 00
Slow race, owners to change horses,	15 00	5 00
Saddle race, open to the world,	25 00	10 00

Ten per cent entrance fee in each event; four horses to enter and three to start; best two heats out of three to decide winners.

Tug-of-war, on Main street, for a prize of $25—Slocan vs The World.

The programme will wind up by a grand ball, to be held in the Schonberg hall, Brandon, under the auspices of the Slocan Brass Band. A handsome trophy has been donated by J. M. Williams, Esq., for the best gentleman and lady waltzer present. Every effort will be made to give visitors a good time.

MINING RECORDS.

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

LOCATIONS.

June 18—Rosina, Ten Mile, D Sloan.

19—Pretoria, s f Lemon, J Collett and F G Marcoux.

Pretoria No 1, same, H Morblett and O Cauture.

Chapleau Consol fr, 1st n f Lemon, by Chapleau Gold Mining Co.

21—Skookum, Dayton ck, M Isaacson.
Victoria, same, H B Boie.
San Toy, Toben ck, M Isaacson.
Holten Bay, Slocan lake, C Hinze.
Greengage, Springer ck, D H Gibson.

22—Emerald, Lemon ck, H Reichart.

23—Joe Chamberlain, same, E Odlum.

ASSESSMENTS.

June 18—Ranger, Skylark, Valley Fraction two years, Ranger fr for four years, Spring Valley two years, Woodland five years, Susan S, Susan M two years, Violet, Superior, Superior fr five years, Central fr four years, Wedge fr two years, Rother, Rother fr three years Kilo No 2 fr four years, Kilo, Skylark fr five years, Saddle Rock two years, Bassett two years, Susan G, Gold Crown two years, Copper Jacket five years, O K, North Star five years.

19—Eagle, Hard Nut, Regina.

20—Johannah, Shenandoah, Sheffield, Accidental, Reno, Iono two years, Buchera two years, Mollie.

21—South Exchange, Saxon Maid, Matrice, Premier.

22—Bute, Silver Bell fr, Nightingale, First Lake.

23—New Phoenix fr, Black Bird, Elk.

TRANSFERS.

June 23—Bonnie Doon ⅛, D Sloan to G McLane.

A Novel Idea.

Montreal Witness, May 30, 1900: Mrs. Egerton, an English lady, who did nursing work in Dawson City, carried out an original idea in London, which greatly gratified the C. P. R. people. Mrs. Egerton had been much struck by the scenery along the line of the C.P.R., as well as with the service which the company rendered across the continent, and she determined to let the folk in England know something about both. For this purpose she availed herself of a fancy ball at Covent garden, to appear in a costume which took the prize for originality, and which illustrated Canadian scenery and the C. P.R. in a highly striking manner. The lady's hat was trimmed in a manner to show the C.P.R. trains in motion; her cape set forth Lake Ontario, Lake Superior and the Rocky Mountains, while the front of her dress showed a train rushing at full speed through the wonderful ravines of the far Northwest. In the lady's hand was a banner which contained the coats of arms of the several provinces constituting the Dominion. The tout ensemble, as the London press remarked at the time, was wonderfully striking and impressive and gave an idea at a glance of a country of which London, previous to the jubilee, knew very little. Mrs. Egerton, as Mr. Baker, the C.P.R. agent in London, pointed out, did all this "off her own bat," and solely with the patriotic view of making Canada known. The lady is coming out again, probably this summer, when she will make an extended tour of the country. Photographs of Mrs. Egerton in her unique costume are at the general offices of the C.P.R.

For Lemon Creek Road.

On Monday J. M. Williams, representing the Chapleau Consolidated Gold Mining Co., and Percy Dickenson, representing the Warner Miller syndicate, left here for Victoria to interview the government for an appropriation towards building the Lemon creek wagon road. Their companies are operating extensively on the creek and together aggregate many hundreds of thousands of dollars in capital. They have expended a vast sum already in the camp and will spend a good deal more so soon as the road is completed in mill buildings and machinery. In their endeavors both gentlemen have the hearty sympathy and co-operation of the people of this town, whose interests are so much wrapped up in the well being of the Lemon creek camp.

Fairy Queen Group.

L. A. Thurston has had four men working on the Fairy Queen group, Trout creek. Owing to the high water the trail, which follows the creek bed, is at present almost impassible. Supplies were taken in to last some time and a little ore brought down to the lake. At the property the ore on the dump is being sorted and sacked ready for shipment. There is upwards of a carload to handle. The men have been ground sluicing so as to strip the lead, on which Mr. Thurston will sink a shaft 50 or 60 feet.

UPPER SLOCAN MINES.

New trails are being built to the Ruth.

There are 85 men employed at the Last Chance.

There is still an abundance of snow on the upper levels.

The Bosun is maintaining its regular shipments of ore.

Concentrates from the Wakefield continue to be sent out.

An electric light plant is to be installed at the Last Chance.

Considerable contract work is being done on the Reco group.

A shipment of ore will be made shortly from the Trade Dollar.

Traffic on the K. & S. has doubled, owing to the revival in mining.

Last week 524 tons of ore was exported from the Sandon district.

Bears are reported plentiful round the mines in the New Denver camp.

One hundred and forty tons of ore was shipped by the Bosun during the month.

The Whitewater exported 134 tons of ore last week, while the Payne sent out 170 tons.

One hundred and twenty tons of ore was shipped by the Slocan Star during the week.

The ore chute has been tapped in the crosscut on the Ruby, a promising prospect near New Denver.

Work has commenced on the long crosscut tunnel on the Slocan Star. It will be 2100 feet in length.

The Mascot, on which Mike Kerlin recently made the big strike of galena, has again been bonded by the Ruth people, this time for $30,000.

The framework on the Ivanhoe concentrator has been started and the general work and improvements connected with the mill are well advanced.

PROMOTION EXAMINATIONS.

Following are the results of the promotion examinations held in the public school this week:—

From Lower Division—Gertrude Foley, Fannie Robertson, Mabel Hall, Lee Hall.

To Senior Third—Herman Lindow, Donald Shook, Alice Bull, Jennie Foley, Clarence Foley.

To the Fourth—Harry York, Alma Baty.

To the Fifth—Florence Bull, Kate Foley, John McCallum.

Honor Roll—Florence Bull, proficiency; Harry York, department; W. Tipping, attendance.

Coplen is in Luck.

W. A. Coplen, one of the former owners of the Skylark & Ranger group, arrived in town on Monday, to look after some interests in this vicinity. Of late he has been developing the Meadow group, on the east side of the Columbia river, and below Nakusp but within sight of that town. It is a galena proposition and a dandy. Coplen has had the property for years, but this spring's work has greatly improved its appearance. It has a six foot vein, with 18 inches of solid galena, the grade of which is over 100 oz. He brought several large samples of the rock to town for assaying and exhibition. A number of Slocan capitalists are inquiring after the group.

Ladies' Aid Entertainment.

Miss Lottie L. Tillotson, of St. Paul, Minn., a noted elocutionist, will give an entertainment in the Music Hall, on Friday evening, July 6, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church. She will be assisted by the best musical talent in town. Refreshments will be served at reasonable prices.

Dedicatory Service.

Slocan Lodge No. 40, I.O.O.F., will hold a dedicatory service in their new hall next Thursday night, July 5. All visiting brethren and friends of the order are cordially invited to be present. A short musical programme will be given and refreshments served.

Nelson Orangemen are bringing a fine band and a big crowd with them to the celebration here on the 12th.

OUR ORE SHIPMENTS

SUBSTANTIAL SHOWING MADE BY THIS DIVISION.

We Lead the Entire Lake Country—A Healthy Evidence of the Life and Wealth of the Camp—Enterprise the Biggest Shipper.

There was no ore shipped from the division last week, the Enterprise not having got things into proper shape yet. They will have an abundance of ore to come down later on, but they intend sorting it closer than was formerly done. At the Arlington the dumps are crowded with ore, but the extensive improvements being made to the wagon road are delaying the shipments for the time being. Altogether the camp is in a most healthful condition.

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

MINE.	WEEK.	TOTAL.
Enterprise		760
Arlington		300
Black Prince		60
Kilo		20
		1140

MINES AND MINING.

The record office will be closed on Monday next.

The force on the Enterprise has been slightly increased.

More work is being done on the Mollie, opposite the Enterprise.

A large quantity of T rail has been sent to the Chapleau this week.

Percy Dickenson recorded 62 certificates of work in one day last week.

The Arlington has a large quantity of ore sacked and ready for shipment.

Geo. Long and Nat Tucker will commence work on the Lily B by July 14.

The snow has been going with a rush of late and the creeks are running full.

In about two weeks it is expected the crosscut on the Mabou will tap the Enterprise lead.

The vein on the Twin Lakes, Camp Mansfield, has widened out and shows 14 feet of ore.

Jim Baker and Neil McMillan are working on the Col. Sellers group, on the south fork of Ten Mile.

Several outfits have gone in this week to do work on claims on the upper portion of Ten Mile.

Two men have been working on the old Alexandra claim, Ten Mile, during the past fortnight.

Frank Provost is making a first-class job of the Arlington road, and will soon have it completed.

The two main drifts on the Tamarac are in about 250 feet each. The air is getting somewhat bad.

In and around the Arlington is more bustle and activity than any property in the lake district

Plenty of mineralized quartz is being met with in the crosscut being run on the Ohio to catch the Neepawa lead.

Two men are doing assessment on the Black Cloud, opposite the Enterprise. It is owned principally in Toronto.

Oscar McMillan's pack train has been operating on Ten Mile. He took several tons of supplies to the Smuggler.

W. Thomlinson and C. D. McCrae, of New Denver, went up the creek Tuesday to work on a claim above the Meteor.

W. A. Harvey, who inspected the Chapleau last week, states the property is one of the very best in the whole district.

Ground sluicing for the ledge on the Mineral Mountain, one of the Speculator group, has been in progress for a week.

Geo. Aylwin has had an assessment done on the Royal Standard, Ten Mile. It has a promising showing of concentrating ore.

Prof Odlum has staked a claim on Lemon creek, carrying a well defined lead with five feet of quartz. He intends developing it at once.

The crosscut on the Crescent, one of the Camp Mansfield properties, has tapped the vein, which is seven feet wide and with good ore showing.

D. A. Hicks has returned from doing assessment on the Mary Durham, near New Denver. New openings were made on the lead, exposing two or three inches of good ore.

M. Lavell will open a hotel in the corner block opposite the Arlington. He will have the dining room running on Monday.

NEW GOVERNOR

Distinguished Career of Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere.

Hon. Sir Henri Gustave Joly de Lotbiniere is the eldest son of the late Gaspard Pierre Gustave Joly, a Huguenot native of France, who became Seigneur de Lotbiniere by his marriage with Julie Christine Chartier de Lotbinier, granddaughter of the last Marquis de Lotbiniere, engineer in chief of New France. Born in France on December 5, 1829, he was educated at the Keller school, Paris, in company with the late Monsieur Waddington, the French minister. Coming to Canada, he devoted himself to the study of law and was called to the Quebec bar in 1855. He practiced his profession in the city and district of Quebec and was created a Q. C. in 1878.

A Liberal politically, he was returned in that interest to the Canadian assembly at the general elections of 1861 as the representative of the county of Lotbiniere. He took a prominent part in the debates on the confederation of the provinces, 1865-6, joining Messrs. Dorion, Holton, Huntington and other Liberal leaders from Lower Canada in opposition to that measure. In the first election for the United Provinces he was returned to the house of commons and the provincial assembly. He remained a member of both until 1874, when at the abolition of dual representation he elected to remain in the local legislature. He led the opposition in the assembly against the De Boucherville government until March 1878, when on the dismissal of his ministers by Lieutenant-Governor Letellier, he was called to the premiership.

While at the head of the government, he initiated and carried out a vigorous policy of retrenchment as well as of political purity. The salaries of ministers and the indemnity of members of the legislature were reduced. An effort was made to abolish the legislative council and all unnecessary outlays were cut off. Defeated in the house in 1879, he resigned and from that time up to 1883 was again the leader of the opposition. In 1885 he retired from public life in consequence of his disapproval of the course of the Liberal party on the Riel question.

He reappeared on the surface June 1893, as a delegate to the reform convention at Ottawa, of which he was elected vice-chairman. In February 1894 he undertook a mission of peace and goodwill to the province of Ontario to dispel the prejudice existing there against the province of Quebec and to bring about a better feeling between the two provinces. In February 1895, in response to a general call from his party, he agreed to return to public life and from that time took an active part in the agitation which led to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's success at the polls in 1896. During the contest he was returned to the house of commons for Portneuf. On the formation of the new administration at Ottawa, he became controller of inland revenue and became a privy councillor with the title of minister of inland revenue on June 30, 1897. He is an honorary D. C. L. of Lennoxville university, an L. L. D. of Queen's university and in acknowledgment of his public services received the K. C. M. G. from Her Majesty in May 1895. He declined a seat in the senate in 1874 and again in 1877. In the latter year he also declined a seat with the office of minister of agriculture, in the Mackenzie administration.

Sir Henri is known all over the continent for his interest in agriculture, horticulture and forestry, having written and spoken frequently on those subjects. In 1893 he was entrusted with the preparation of the provincial forestry exhibits sent to the Chicago world's fair, and throughout the Mercier regime he assisted in the administration of the department of agriculture.

During the existence of the Imperial Federation league he gave the scheme his entire support, and he is now as warmly inclined towards the British Empire league. He is also connected with the United Empire Loyalist association.

In religious belief he is a member of the Church of England and has served as a delegate to the dioceasan and provincial synods of the church.

In 1888 he was authorized by the Quebec legislature to add De Lotbiniere, his mother's name, to that of Joly. He married in 1856 Margaretta Josepha, daughter of the late Hammond Gowen of Quebec. Their eldest son, Edmond, is a lawyer; the second, Alain, is a captain in the Royal Engineers, and the third, Henri Gustave, a lieutenant in that corps, both the two latter having graduated from the Royal military college at Kingston and being now in service in India. —From Canadian Men and Women of the Time.

Sir Henri has a beautiful country residence at Pointe Platon on the St. Lawrence river, a few miles from Quebec on the opposite bank.

FEARFUL RAILWAY ACCIDENT

All Passengers Killed Except Those on Sleeping Car.

Atlanta, Ga., June 25—A passenger train on the Macon branch of the Southern railway ran into washouts 100 feet long and was completely wrecked. Every person on the train except the occupants of the Pullman car perished. Thirty-five people in all were killed.

President Kruger evidently has an eye to the safe side of a proposition. He is now paying bills with printed I. O. U.s and holding to his gold.—Seattle Times.

DIED FROM A FIT

Tragic Death of John James, a Record Newsboy, in the Pond.

John James, a newsboy who was well known to subscribers for the Record from his selling the paper on the street, met death in the pond on Trail creek at the west end of the city yesterday morning.

The boy, who would have been 15 years, 10 months old had he lived till tomorrow, is subject to epileptic fits and was sitting on a raft on the pond about 12:30 p. m. watching a number of other boys bathing when a fit sized him and he fell into the water. He must have died instantly for he never rose again and not a bubble came from the place where he sank.

The other boys seem to have thought he had dived, but after ten minutes had elapsed without his coming to the surface, several of them dived after him, but without success. Finally John McKay, a youug Cornish miner who works in the Le Roi, dived after the body and brought it to the surface after it had been under water 45 minutes. There was very little water in the lungs, which is an evidence that death must have occurred almost immediately after he struck the water and not from drowning. The body was taken to the boy's home on Davis street.

The boy was a son of Thomas H. James, a miner at the War Eagle. His brother, Thomas James also a RECORD newsboy, had broken his arm at the circus only last Wednesday.

The funeral services will take place at St. George's church of England at ten o'clock tomorrow morning. The newsboy's union, among whom the dead boy was a favorite, has asked to be allowed to share the funeral expenses and will attend the services in a body. The boy was held in high regard by all connected with the RECORD, and they mourn his untimely fate.

The Boers have quit their laagers and are now grouped around a water tank at a railway siding where Kruger's capital car is.—Toronto Star.

PEASANTS SLAIN

Sanguinary Conflict with Insurgents in Bulgaria.

Sofia, Bulgaria, June 22.—It transpires that 90 persons were killed and 312 wounded in the recent conflict between the troops and peasants in the Varna districts.

A state of siege has been proclaimed in the districts of Varna, Shumla, Tirnova, Rustchuk and Ristovatz.

The government is anxious to limit the number of newspapers, and has issued stringent regulations as to the qualifications which must be possessed by editors.

THE NOMINATIONS.

It is rarely that the nomination for both president and vice-president has been made by acclamation by either of the great parties of the United States. The fact that this has been the case with President McKinley and Governor Roosevelt is the strongest testimony to the hold they have gained on the mass of the Republican party. It also proves the supremacy of the "man on horse back" over men's minds, even in a nation commonly, but erroneously, supposed to be totally absorbed in the sordid occupation of money-grubbing. The renomination of President McKinley and the nomination of Governor Roosevelt are the direct outcome of the Spanish war. It proves that the American people can be dazzled by military glory as much as the subjects of a European monarch.

But it proves more than this. Taken in connection with the platform declarations on the results of the war, the extension of foreign trade and the protection of American rights abroad, this event means that the United States have at last come out of their national isolation aud determined to take an active part in the affairs of the family of civilized nations. America realizes at last that a nation, no more than an individual, can live for itself alone. The logic of events has forced the United States into a position where she must share the benefits of membership in the family of nations, through her interests in the Phillipines, Hawaii and Samoa, and her trade rights in China. These benefits carry with them international obligations, which cannot be shirked.

The brief declaration on the subject of President McKinley's tender of his good offices to aid in ending the South African war proves this last assertion. Party conventions in the United States have heretofore treated foreign nations in a manner entirely irresponsible, and the mere statement that offensive words or acts were only for campaign purposes was considered ample excuse. The South African war would have been considered sixteen or twenty years ago an opportunity for a positive carnival of tail-twisting by the conventions of both parties. President McKinley has had positive evidence of British friendship which he cannot ignore. The American people know this so well that they must be considering the necessity of revising their school histories. Mr. McKinley did his utmost as a friend of both parties to the South African war, in order to reconcile them, and having failed, he could do no more. The convention approves his conduct and does not pour forth any verbal froth on the merits of the questions which led to the war.

President McKinley's friends justly claim credit for a large share of the renewed confidence and prosperity which have signalized his first term of office. The settlement of the silver and tariff questions no doubt had much to do with this revival, though it was certainly due in a considerable degree to causes common to the whole commercial world and not peculiar to the United States.

TAKING THE CENSUS.

The large cities of Washington complain that the census of their population now being taken is incomplete and are making vigorous efforts to secure a complete count. The practice in the United States does not compare for system and thoroughness with that followed in Great Britain. The Americans make it drag along through three weeks and count people who are temporarily absent from home. Thus people who die and babies born while the count is in progress are liable to be counted or omitted, and many persons are liable to be counted twice.

The British practice is to make the census as nearly as possible exact as to the number of persons in each town at noon on a certain day. The enumerator makes the round of his district beforehand, leaves a blank census paper at each house with exact instructions to the head of the household to fill in the names of all persons residing there at noon on census day. A person who dies one minute before noon is omitted; a baby born one minute before noon is counted. A person who dies one minute after noon is counted, but a baby born at the same instant is omitted. In the course of the next few days the enumerator makes another round, corrects errors, fills in papers where the matter has been neglected and gathers up all returns. In this manner, duplications are avoided, as well as any other errors.

The crisis in China has now reached a point where a peaceful solution of the difficulties is no longer possible. The all-absorbing question in the United States at this time is, what part will this country take in the affair? If the United States keeps out of it altogether, she will lose her commercial interests, and if she joins with the other powers she must inevitably take part in the division of the spoils.—Spokane Chronicle.

SWEPT BY FLAMES

Bombardment of Tien Tsin Starts the Fire Which Destroys the Town.

New York, June 25 —The Chinesn bombardment of Tien Tsin set fire to the mission buildings first, says the Chefoo correspondent of the Journal and Advertiser. It spread to the native city and destroyed everything. The attacking force, well supplied with modern artillery, has been pressing the small allied forces very hard. Already the dead number 160. Relief is being rushed from Taku, but the column will have to fight its way through the big Chinese army.

All Foreign Ministers Safe.

London, June 25.—The French consul general at Shanghai has been informed by Chinese ministers that all foreign ministers and foreigners at Pekin were safe last Thursday and preparing to leave with the authority of the Chinese goverment.

Admiral Bruce's Report.

London, June 25.—The admirality has received the following dispatch from Rear Admiral Bruce, dated Taku via Chefoo, June 24:

"The total force which left Tien Tsin with the commander-in-chief for Pekin was about 2000, composed of detachments from the allied ships. No action could possibly be taken to relieve the commander-in-chief, because it was only known that he was cut off by Tien Tsin being invested.

"Tien Tsin has been fighting for its life ever since. It was on receipt of imformation that the Chinese army had ordered trains for attacking Tien Tsin and that they were ravaging Tonku and reinforcing Taku, as well as mining the mouth of the Peiho, that it was promptly determined to seize Taku. Since then every effort has been made to relieve Tien Tsin.

"I have commandeered a small coasting steamer for taking troops and sick wounded across the bay to Wei Hai Wei, where I intend making a temporary base hospital and asylum for refugees."

ORIGIN OF BOXERS

They Are to China What Knownothings Were in America.

The "Boxers" society is a secret org nization, supposedly encouraged by the ruling Chinese dynasty, and has fo its principal object the driving of all foreigners out of the empire. There is some reason for believing that certain foreign powers are secretly abetting the disturbance in the hope that pretext for a conflict with he empire may be afforded and under that thin excuse dismemberment be hastened. The Chinese race has an antiquity of at least 6000 years.

Minister Wu's Explanation.

Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese minister at Washington, was asked:

"What is the meaning of the term 'Boxers' in Chinese, or what is its derivative analysis?"

He replied:

"I have seen from Chinese papers that the local word applied to the people that your papers call the 'Boxers' is 'Yee-ho-chuan.' 'Yee' means 'righteousness,' 'Ho' means 'harmony,' 'Chuan' means 'fists.' 'Yee-ho-chuan' would therefore involve the righteous idea of promoting harmony by the fists, the righteousness resulting from the harmony, with the fists as an incidental means to a good end. The term undoubtedly arose in connection with athletic sports and teachers of the art of boxing or defense by the fists."

Derivation of the Name

The Caucasian may be inclined to sneer at the simplicity of this definition, but it is not to be forgotten that as a matter of indisputable history the word "righteousness" and the word "right" have a foundation in the Chinese vocabulary more solid than rock. Anyone who has intimate and honest business relations with Chinamen in this country knows that. A Chinaman in this country who has not yet learned the worst features of American or English or German commercialism in his dealings with his white brothers invariably starts out with the query, "What is right?" He puts it in his own way, but that is what he means, and he never betrays until he has been betrayed.

MINING INVESTMENTS.

With the substitution of a government of responsible men for the scratch cabinet headed by the demagogue Joe Martin, and with the succession of the veteran statesman Sir Henri Joly to Mr. McInnes as lieutenant-governor, the people of British Columbia can reasonably look forward to a change of conditions for the better in the near future. So long as the South African war was in its critical stages, there was little hope of interesting capital in the province, even if the local conditions had been favorable. It is therefore as well that, if the people had to perform the unpleasant task of killing off a Martin government, the necessity should have arisen at such a time. But now that Mr. Martin is disposed of and the Boer war is in its last stages, we may reasonably hope for an unloosing of the money bags for good investments such as this province has to offer, unless the Chinese crisis should become more serious and lead to foreign complications and a European war. It is probable however that the very fact that all the greatest European powers are so deeply interested in the fate of China will induce them to prefer a compromise of their conflicting claims to the dread alternative of a general war. The Berlin treaty of 1878 was a compromise of equally conflicting interests fraught with equal danger and we may fairly hope that the Chinese question will be met in as reasonable a spirit as was the Turkish question.

The time is ripe to make a fresh start in procuring British and Eastern capital for development of British Columbia's virgin wealth. It is timely to study and profit by the errors of the past that they may be avoided in the future. One lesson which has surely been learned thoroughly by this time is the folly of incorporating companies with non-assessable stock on the pretense that it is the means of developing prospects into mines. The mines which have been developed to a paying basis by this means are so few and far apart that they could easily be marked individually on a map of the North American continent. They are the exceptions which prove the rule, viz: that such an undertaking requires large capital at the outset, combined with the highest skill and integrity in management. If the capital comes in driblets, the cost of development will be increased and work may have to be suspended for lack of funds, just when the enterprise is on the eve of success.

But the small capitalist, tempted by the few great successes in mining, is determined to take his chances and, though the risks are greater in proportion to the smallness of his investment, there is a way for him to at least "get a show for his money." This is by investing in the stocks of companies managed by men of proved ability and integrity in the mining business. The investor cannot afford, if he is competent, to personally investigate the property or to hire a mining engineer to do it for him. But he can judge men and he can judge whether the company is organized on a basis and managed in a manner which gives reasonable ground of hope for its success. His judgment of men will enable him to decide whether the men in charge of a company are safe leaders for him to follow.

As to the organization and management of a company, he can judge by a few leading principles. Its stock should be assessable, with the assessments so limited in amount and frequency as to ensure the small holder against being frozen out. The cost of developing the property to a paying basis ought to be estimated, as far as possible, by a competent engineer, with ample allowance for unforeseen contingencies, and the amount sf stock placed in the treasury should be sufficient to provide at least the amount of this estimate. The promoters' stock should be pooled, or locked up in such a manner that no possible way will be left open for its sale to break the market for treasury stock. The commission allowed brokers on the sale of treasury stock ought to be kept down to a fair rate and known to every purchaser. There are instances in this town where 50 per cent on the sale of treasury stock has been demanded by brokers, and deals have fallen through because it was refused. Such commission is robbery of every shareholder in the company.

There are any number of men who will grab greedily at a glittering bait and disregard all these precautions. The chances are 999,999 in a million that they are playing a bunko game from the outside and will have nothing to show for their money except their experience and a nicely engraved stock certificate. They deserve to lose their money and can claim no sympathy. The only Arthur Orton wrote:

"Some men has money and no brains an' some has brains an' no money. Them as has money an' no brains was made for them as has brains an' no money."

Arthur Orton knew more about truth than grammar.

"Skin the Goat" and Mullett, the Invincibles who were rejected as immigrants to the United States, have become an issue in the presidential election. Their return is quoted as evidence of the charge heard on all sides that the present administration was controlled and dominated by England and English influences.

The prediction that the nineteenth century would wind up with a carnival of carnage is in a fair way to be fulfilled. We have the Boer war, the Chinese war, the Ashanti rebellion and a revolution or two in South America.

The Chinese war has outflanked the Boer war in its claims on public interest.

NEEDS MORE TIME

Re-election of Ministers Will Delay Legislature.

Special to the Record.

Victoria, June 22—Premier Dunsmuir has completed his cabinet, presenting to the lieutenant-governor the names of J. D. Prentice as provincial secretary and minister of education; W. C. Wells, commissioner of lands and works, and Richard McBride, minister of mines. The new ministers at once took the oath of office, and were sworn in, and assumed charge of their departments.

Writs for bye-elections in Victoria city and South Victoria, to provide for the re-election of Turner and Eberts, were at once issued and signed by his honor. These elections will be held on July 3. Bye-elections for the return of the other members of the cabinet will be set for a later date.

A meeting of the executive will be held to day, when it may be arranged that the house will be prorogued to a later date than July 5, in order to arrange for the re-election of all ministers previous to the opening of the session, the brief interval rendering this step necessary.

Sir Henri Joli Starts West Monday

Ottawa, June 22.—Sir Henri Joli will probably leave for British Columbia on Monday.

NOT WORTHY OF THE NATION.

Caustic Criticism of American Position at Paris Exposition.

By Associated Press.

New York, June 22.—The Paris correspondent of the Tribune says:

"This is the sixty-seventh day since the exposition was opened and the patriotic Americans have so far refrained from caustic criticism of their national pavilion in hope that something would be placed in it to put it on an even footing with other countries.

"But after President Loubet's visit today, it is impossible to conceal the fact that, in the opinion of ninety-nine out of a hundred Americans who have seen it, the United States pavilion, as far as its contents are concerned, is unworthy of America, and causes unpleasant impressions when compared with the German pavilion."

Effect of Muravieff's Death.

New York, June 52.—The sudden death of Count Muravieff is a startling incident, which has an important bearing upon the China question and the Russian policy, says the London correspondent of the Tribune. He was the most pacific minister of foreign affairs Russia had known during recent years, and exercised a restraining influence over the ambitious generals.

Koch Can Cure Malaria

Berlin, June 22—Dr. Koch, reporting from German New Guinea, under date of April 28, regarding his investigations respecting the origin and cure of malaria, says: "We have already established beyond doubt that by prophylactic and subsequent treatment with quinine, even the worst infected districts can be cleared of malarial infection."

A UNIQUE ELECTION

Isle of Wight Candidate in Africa, His Wife Fights at Home.

"Hamlet" without Hamlet would be easy compared with fighting such a constituency as the Isle of Wight with a candidate 7000 miles away.

Captain John Seely is occupying this unique position, says the Daily Mail. He is at the front fighting the Boers, while his friends at home are fighting for him in the political arena. He has been chosen by the Conservative party as the figure-head for the fight. Telegrams which have been sent to him by his family to announce his selection and seek his views have not, so far as can be ascertained, yet reached him.

In his absence, his wife, a daughter of Richard Grant, for many years secretary of the Royal Yacht squadron, has stepped into the breach, and though she has not gone so far as to deliver public speeches for "Capt. Jack," as he is familiarly designated, she appears on the Conservative platforms and with silent eloquence appeals for her absent husband.

Not only is she using her influence at public meetings and canvassing the electorate, but her pen has been employed in her husband's behalf. By post a few days ago the electors received the following letter in her handwriting:

"My husband is away on active service in South Africa," she wrote, "and cannot personally ask for your vote at this election. I know how very much he would appreciate the honor of being selected by his friends and neighbors as member for the Isle of Wight, and you will realize how anxious I am for his success. May I hope that you will make every effort to come and vote for him on Wednesday next?"

A telegram from Mr. Chamberlain was read at a meeting in support of Captain Seely's candidature at Newport.

"Best wishes for the success of the Unionist candidate now at the front," Mr. Chamberlain wrote. "His return to parliament will encourage the government in the determination that the loss and sacrifice of the war shall not be thrown away."

TO RULE TILL JOLY ARRIVES

Chief Justice McColl Administrator—McInnes Going to Tacoma.

Special to the Record.

Victoria, June 23.—Hon. Henri Joly leaves for here Monday, Chief Justice McCole to act as administrator until he arrives.

R. E. Gosnell has been appointed private secretary to the premier.

It is reported on good authority that Gov. McInnes is going to Tacoma for a time.

THE CHOICE MADE

McKinley and Roosevelt Nominated by the Republicans.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, June 21.—William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt were unanimously nominated Republican candidates for president and vice-president respectively.

Philadelphia, June 21.—The last session of the Republican convention opened with the immense hall crowded with delegates and spectators.

When nominations for president were called for, Senator Foraker of Ohio took the platform to nominate McKinley. The first mention of the president's name was the signal for a tremendous outburst of enthusiasm. The nomination of McKinley was seconded by Governor Roosevelt of New York, Governor Mount of Indiana and others.

When the roll call for the vote was completed, Chairman Henry Cabot Lodge announced that McKinley had received the unanimous vote and declared him the candidate of the Republican party for president for the term beginning March 4, 1901. The announcement was received by the vast concourse of people with unbounded enthusiasm, delegates and spectators, men and women, standing on chairs or rushing about the hall like so many wild people. A huge counterfeit elephant, the emblem of Republican strength, was brought into the hall and carried about amid shouts of laughter and applause.

Theodore Roosevelt, governor of New York, was nominated for vice-president by General Lafayette Young, of Iowa, and the nomination was seconded by United States Senator Chauncey M. Depew, of New York. Roosevelt, like McKinley, received every vote of the convention and Chairman Lodge announced the nomination as unanimous. Another scene of uproar and excitement followed the announcement and at 12:47 p. m. the convention adjourned sine die.

WILL JOIN HANDS

Roberts' and Buller's Troops to Make Junction Saturday.

By Associated Press.

London, June 22.—Lord Roberts reports that General Ian Hamilton reached the Springs yesterday en route for Heidelberg to join hands with General Buller, who is expected to reach Standerton tomorrow.

The dispatch from Lord Roberts in full is as follows:

"Pretoria, June 22.—Ian Hamilton's column reached the Springs yesterday en route to Heidelberg, where they will join hands with Buller's troops, who reached Paarde Kop yesterday and will be at Standerton tomorrow, thus opening up cemmunications between Pretoria and Natal and preventing any joint action between the Transvaalers and the people of the Orange River colony.

"Baden-Powell reports from Rustenburg that he found the leading Boers very pacific and cordial on his return journey hence. Commandant Steyn and two actively hostile field cornets had been captured during his absence.

"Lord Edward Cecil, the administrator of the Rustenburg district, has to date collected 3000 rifles.

"The commissioner at Kroonstadt reports that 341 rifles have been handed in at Wolmarinstad."

READY FOR MORE WORK.

If Russia has stirred up the Boxer uprising in China, she has done so a little too late to gain the advantage of Britain's pre-occupation in South Africa. The break in Lord Roberts' line of communications via Bloemfontein has been quickly repaired and Buller will today join forces with those of the commander in chief. This will give Roberts a new and shorter line of communication with a new base at Durban. It cuts off the remnant of the Free Staters still in the field in the north eastern corner of the Orange River colony from the main body of Transvaalers who have retreated eastward from Pretoria. The rapidity with which the Boers are giving up their arms shows that the country west of Pretoria is practically pacified. The British forces can thus be concentrated in a comparatively small area, leaving garrisons in the conquered towns and patrols for the railroads and outlying districts. The conquest of the territory still held by the Boers can therefore be accomplished the more easily and swiftly, with several strong forces converging upon it from the east, south and west.

The detachment of 10,000 men from Buller's army should not, under these circumstances, greatly impair Roberts' ability to bring the war to an early conclusion and, as he progresses in this work, still further bodies of his troops can be detached, if a serious emergency in China should require it, until an army of 100,000 men is landed in the celestial empire.

This is an army which even Russia, with her huge military power, can hardly match in the field. It is composed of veterans, seasoned with an arduous campaign and with all the weaklings weeded out. It is fully equipped, has all its transports ready to hand and is already half way to the new scene of operations. The incompetents among its officers have been found out and put where they can do the least harm, and the best men, who have stood the test of a campaign, have been put in command.

It is certain that the suppression of the Boxers, the exaction of indemnities from their guilty accomplices at the head of the Chinese government and the settlement of affairs in such a way as to ensure the safety of foreigners and their property in China hereafter will lead to sharp dissensions among the European powers, whose forces are now acting together in a temporary emergency. That some of them will endeavor to take advantage of the situation for their own territorial aggrandizement there can be no doubt. Only by having close at hand an overwhelming force can Britain guard her interests. The only other nation with whom she has thorough community of interest is Japan, for Germany's schemes may run counter to British interests and a conflict of interest with Russia and France is certain. Britain can therefore rely only upon her own strong arm, and that strong arm is fortunately in splendid condition to strike a telling blow.

WILL TRADE WITH CANADA

Trinidad Refuses Extension of Reciprocity Treaty With United States.

Ottawa, June 23.—Word has been received at the trade and commerce department that the Trinidad government has absolutely refused to extend the time for the ratification of the Trinidad and United States convention. The convention expires in August and the U. S. asked to extend the time for one year to permit of congress dealing with the matter. This Trinidad has declined to do, and it is expected that, when the convention expires, Trinidad will renew negotiations with Canada.

If 10,000 of the men who fought their way with Buller through the mountains of Natal are sent to China, how long will it take them to cut their way through a horde of Celestials?

Fear of Russia is the solid rock upon which Japan's friendship for Britain is built. No British Columbia law for the protection of Canadian labor could remove Japan's fear of Russia and could not, therefore, weaken the alliance between Japan and Great Britain. There is no imperial reason why British Columbia should sacrifice the interests of Canadian labor on the altar of British interest. — Toronto Telegram.

ANXIOUS TO YIELD

Botha Wishes to Surrender but Kruger Is Obdurate.

London, June 23.—All the news from South Africa continues satisfactory from the British point of view. Trains ought soon to be running between Durban and Johannesburg.

According to a Pretoria dispatch General Botha possesses full powers to conclude peace, and it is reiterated that he is willing to surrender, but President Kruger remains obdurate.

The fact that a deputation from Pietermascer, in the Northern Transvaal, has approached Lord Roberts with an invitation to send a force to receive the submission of the town is regarded as important.

AMERICANS TAKEN IN AMBUSH

Reconnoitring Party in Philippines Repulsed With Severe Loss

Washington, June 23.—The war department has received the following cablegram from General McArthur:

"Manila, June 23.—A detachment of four officers and 100 men of the Fortieth volunteer infantry, Captain Miller commanding, left Tagayen June 13 on a reconnaissance up the Tagayen river. In the morning they were ambushed by insurgents in a strong position. Fifty men sent to reinforce them from Tagayen did not take the position and the troops withdrew to the coast port."

Then follows a list of killed, of which there are seven, also a list of 11 wounded and one missing.

The Chinese are fighting for the independence of their country—for liberty, if you please, and the right to run China in a way to suit the Chinese. But no resolutions of sympathy with the Chinese will be offered at Philadelphia or Kansas City. Not in a thousand years.—Spokesman-Review.

The troops of the European powers are practicing on the Chinese for a subsequent fight among themselves.

HEAVY CASUALTY

Chinese General Leads the Boxers. Garrison in Desperate Straight.

London, June 23.—Special dispatches from Shanghai, dated yesterday at 7:20 in the evening, state that Tien Tsin has been incessantly bombarded for the last three days. The entire British and French settlements have been destroyed. Heavy casualties are reported.

No word has been received from Admiral Seymour and it is believed that the relief column fared badly.

The Besieged in Dire Straits.

New York, June 23.—The Journal and Advertiser today prints a copyrighted dispatch from C. B. Frederick Brown, presiding elder of the Tien Tsin district of the Methodist church, dated at Chee Foo June 22, as follows:

"I have just got away from Tien Tsin in a great gunboat. The city has been bombarded for several days by the Chinese. Lieutenant Wright, of our navy, and 150 others of the white residents, marines and sailors sent up to our assistance were killed outright or wounded. The American consulate building at Tien Tsin has been destroyed. The ammunition is almost gone. The garrison is suffering terribly and needs help."

German Cruiser Whips Chinese.

Kiel, June 23.—A rumor is current in naval circles here that a German cruiser has forced one Chinese ship ashore and captured another, and that 20 Chinese were killed.

German Minister Alive and Well.

Berlin, June 23.—The Chinese minister here today informed the foreign office that the German minister at Pekin, who was reported to have been killed by Boxers, was safe and well.

A Declaration of War

London, June 23.—The announcement that Prince Tuan has assumed active command of the Chinese troops and the bombardment of Tien Tsin seems evident that the dowager empress has declared war on the combined European powers and that the whole military strength of China is to be employed in behalf of the Boxers.

Hard Fighting at Tien Tsin

The Chinese number at least 15,000 inside the city. Their emissaries crowd the foreign quarters and set fire to the buildings. The Chinese guns are being worked steadily from the walls of the native city. The assistance of reinforcements is implored. The Russians are now intrenched in the depot. They are resisting the advance, which the enemy is making in overwhelming numbers.

No word has been received from Admiral Seymour, and it is feared that the relief column fared badly.

There is an exodus of foreigners from the Yang Tse Kiang to Shanghai and Japan. Many consider Shanghai unsafe owing to the absence of foreign troops.

Russian Troops Coming in

Chee Foo, June 23.—A dispatch from New Chwang, at the head of the gulf of Liao Tung, says:

"Foreigners are concentrating here. The British consul has telegraphed for a gunboat, but has received no reply. The port is apparently under Russian protection. Russian troops are arriving from Port Arthur and the North. The residents are safe and business is not likely to be seriously interfered with."

London, June 22.—In the house of commons today, Mr. Broderick, under secretary for foreign affairs, said the foreign office had no news from Pekin, or from Vice-Admiral Seymour. He added that news by runner June 18 from Tien Tsin, arriving at Taku June 21, announced that several attacks had been made and repulsed.

On June 17 the Chinese shelled the foreign settlement and the Chinese military college was attacked by a mixed force of 150 Russians, British, Germans and Italians. They destroyed the guns and burned the college, which contained a considerable store of ammunition, and killed its defenders.

The Russians, with four heavy field guns, did excellent service. The British loss was one man killed and five wounded. The Germans had one man killed, the Italians had five men wounded and the Russians had seven men killed and five wounded.

During the night of June 17 the Chinese tried to seize the bridge of boats, but were repulsed with loss, including, it is reported, a Chinese general.

Rear-Admiral Bruce, at Taku, telegraphed last night the further information that at Tien Tsin June 20 fighting was proceeding and that reinforcements were required. Mr. Broderick also said:

"We have further heard from Admiral Bruce, dated Taku, last night, and Chee Foo this morning as follows:

" 'I am hoping Tien Tsin may be relieved tonight. No news from commander in charge. The Terrible landed this morning 382 officers and men of the fusiliers.' "

In conclusion Mr. Broderick announced that he believed various other troops would arrive in a day or two, if they had not already landed.

Reported Whoosale Massacre

London, June 22.—A special from Shanghai says that it is reported from Japanese sources that 1500 foreigners have been massacred at Tien Tsin.

Good News, if True.

Brussels, June 22.—The Petit Bleu states that a telegram was received yesterday by an important Brussels firm from China saying that Admiral Seymour's relieving force and the Russian column entered Pekin simultaneously. The legations were reported intact and all the Belgian residents are said to be safe.

HE HAS ACCEPTED

Sir Henri Joli de Lotbiniere to Rule British Columbia.

By Associated Press.

Ottawa, June 21.—Should Sir Henri Joli de Lotbiniere accept the appointment as lieutenant-governor of British Columbia, the name of M. E. Bernier, M. P. for St. Hyacinthe, is mentioned as the new minister of inland revenue. Bernier is recognized as one of the old school of Liberals and a personal friend of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

LATER.—It is understood that Sir Henri Joli has accepted the appointment and will leave for British Columbia as soon as the governor-general, who is away, returns and sanctions the steps that have been taken in the matter.

Montreal, June 21.—The Witness this evening, discussing the reported dismissal of Lieutenant-Governor McInnes of British Columbia, says the Dominion government should not act upon the petition of a political party or of political parties of the province, no matter how respectable or how strong, because in that case they would be taking political sides against the representatives of the crown. But if the government decides not to dismiss or recall McInnes at present, they would be acting wisely. Continuing, the paper says:

"The responsibility of the lieutenant-governor's course must be accepted by the Dunsmuir ministry, who must willingly or unwillingly acknowledge their position when the legislature meets. If the legislature refuses its confidence in the Dunsmuir ministry, it must condemn Lieutenant-Governor McInnes also.

In that case, should McInnes fail to find advisers, the Witness contends that the Dominion government would be justified in recalling him. The paper adds that friends of McInnes would do well to urge him to resign.

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EDITORIAL CROPPINGS.

The Dominion government has promised to restrict Japanese emigration to British Columbia to twelve a month. Half a loaf is better than none.

Innes, son of Mac, missed a grand opportunity for wiping out old scores against Turner & Co. by not firing them bodily when they voted against him at the Vancouver caucus. How he must kick himself for his oversight.

Sir Henri Joly has been sworn in as lieutenant governor of the province, vice McInnes deposed. It is a Joly good thing the unseemly exhibitions at Victoria have been stopped. Sir Henri's appointment will no doubt be pleasing to his friend, Li Hung Chang.

Ex-Lieutenant Governor McInnes fell with a pretty heavy thud, as he deserved to for not taking advantage of the easy plane to slide out on provided by Sir Wilfred Laurier. It does not always pay to be bull-headed, for even a Laurier can be roused to action at times.

Following in the wake of the miners' eight-hour law comes the announcement of the adoption at Rossland of an eight-hour day for the printers, with piecework done away with. This agreement has been mutually signed by employer and employee for one year and is giving satisfaction. Truly this is an age of enlightenment and progress.

Once again it is impressed upon the townspeople the urgent need of a fire brigade being formed here. There is a certain amount of apparatus lying scattered around, and it should be gathered together and stored at some central point ready for instant use. There is no telling when a fire may break out and it is better far to be prepared for the danger than sorry afterwards.

Premier Dunsmuir has completed his cabinet, the additional members being W. C. Wells, minister of lands and works; J. D. Prentice, provincial secretary and minister of education; and R. McBride, minister of mines. The legislature has been further prorogued for another fortnight, in order to permit the necessary bye-elections being held and the new ministers to take their seats in the House. Its duties will be short but to the point.

Slocan will extend a warm welcome to the many visitors in attendance at the sports here on Monday next. It is some time since the town rose to the occasion to hold a big public celebration, but it does this year with a happy heart. The citizens have passed through a trying period of business depression, which has now passed away into the to be forgotten past. Brighter days are at hand, business circles are quickened, and the people generally are more than ever convinced of the resources of the camp tributary to Slocan. In the full vigor of returning activity and advancement, the citizens feel at peace with themselves and the world, and their well-known spirit of hospitality and kindliness will be abundantly displayed to the expected visitors. Slocan has made material progress this season and its people are proud of it, and they desire to show by their celebration that the town is a comely place in which to dwell. Apart from this, visitor and citizen are actuated by a common impulse to demonstate by their gathering together the love they bear to this Canada of ours and to the Empire of which we are so proud to be the chief colony. "Daughter are we in our mother's house, but mistress in our own." 'Tis a goodly heritage we enjoy and Canadians know full well how to prize and treasure it. All honor to them.

DRILL POINTS.

It registered 120 in the sun here on Sunday.

Several new hotels are being built at Sandon.

Sandon is rebuilding in a rapid and substantial manner.

Public school closes today for the midsummer holidays.

Huckleberries are a heavy crop on the foothills near town.

Several ranches have lately been taken up down the river.

A new summer kitchen has been added to the Royal hotel.

A. M. Johnson, barrister, of Nelson was in town Wednesday.

There is an abundance of work in Sandon for good carpenters.

Sunday's intense heat was followed by a heavy electrical storm.

Rev. Mr. McKee preached in the city of Greenwood on Sunday.

The lake has been higher this week than at any time during the year.

Russell Nichol is improving rapidly at the Crickmay hospital, Nelson.

Everybody should take a hand in the general decorations for Monday.

Bills are out announcing the grand spiel here by the Orangemen on July 12.

Several bids will be put in for the new road at this end of Springer creek.

A furious gale raged Monday evening raising clouds of dust from the streets.

J. M. Harris will have the new Reco hotel, at Sandon, open next month.

W. D. McGregor has taken up a block of land near town for orchard purposes.

Bears are reported very plentiful this year, particularly on south fork Ten Mile.

Freight to Sandon and other points from Revelstoke now comes this way via Robson.

All the trestles from the Junction to Nelson are to be filled in by the steam shovel.

The election of a school trustee in the place of R. A. Bradshaw takes place tomorrow.

The new piece of Arlington road at this end will take the south side of Springer creek.

Bobby Allen has brought in a number of pack animals from the Boundary camp.

Go to Shatford's for union made overalls, bathing suits, etc. A nice line just received.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Aylard and son, of New Denver, spent several days in town this week.

Some of the town merchants have adopted the plan of charging interest on credit accounts.

The Sandon Miners' Union contemplate securing a lot and building a hall and hospital.

Dr. Gomm, of Sandon, was married in Nelson, on Monday, to Miss Beadleston, of Cody.

Locomotive 404 was taken up the lake Friday night, on her way to Revelstoke for repairs.

The railroad to Arrowhead is flooded out and the boats are now running to Revelstoke.

Slocan's celebration has been advertised far and near and everybody is coming to see the fun.

The sports committee request that all dogs be tied up on Monday next, so as to avoid accidents.

Get John Craig's bread at D. Arnot's nd Shatford & Co.'s. Best in the market and always fresh.

The C.P.R will establish a station near the sawmill, to accommodate the millhands and ranchers.

Springer creek has been very muddy during the week, owing to sluicing operations on a number of claims.

Larry O'Neil, a well-known musician of Sandon, is to be married at Three Forks, Monday, to Miss M. A. Lees.

The scraper was put to work Monday on Main street preparatory for the big sports. It has been greatly improved.

S. A. Haybridge, of Slocan Junction, was before the beak at Nelson, Wednesday, for selling venison out of season.

The steamer Minto, which has been undergoing repairs at Nakusp, is again in commission on the Revelstoke service.

J. A. Turner, government agent, Nelson, passed up to Silverton Wednesday to inspect the damages to the Four Mile road.

G. Northey, who has been relieving steward on the Slocan, left Tuesday to take a similar position on the Moyie on Kootenay lake.

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

Angus McGillivray and J. Strickland, New Denver, went through to Nelson, Wednesday, to escort a niece of the former to the Lucerne.

Several citizens of New Denver have joined forces to import half a dozen Chinese and Japs to do housework, maintaining that white servants cannot be obtained.

Disinfectants and odor-killing compounds would not be amiss during this hot weather. Some extra strong brands of nose-annoyers have been running vagrant of late.

W. A. Coplen, while here this week, was boosting for the Spokane exposition, so as to get a further collection of mineral samples. He is endeavoring to get the whole Slocan interested. Coplen is willing to look after this town's display at the fair.

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NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land in West Kootenay district:—Commencing at a post marked "W.D.M.'s Northwest Cor."; thence 80 chains south to the south east corner of Lot 396; thence 20 chains east to the north east corner of Lot 381; thence 80 chains north; thence 20 chains west to point of beginning, and containing 160 acres.

Dated at Slocan, B.C., the 25th day of June, 1900.

W. D. McGREGOR.

Land Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that after one month I will make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 120 acres of land, in the District of West Kootenay, in the Province of British Columbia, situated on the north side of lot No. 396, and adjoining the townsite of Brandon on the east, and about three-quarters of a mile east of the Slocan river: commencing at initial post marked "H. D. Curtis, S. W. Corner"; thence north 60 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 60 chains; thence west 20 chains to point of commencement.

Dated at Slocan City the 16th day of June, 1900.

H. D. CURTIS.

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TAKE NOTICE that I, J. Mallinson Williams, acting as agent for the Chapleau Consolidated Gold Mining Company Limited, free miners' certificate No. B37402, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

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