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Local and Mining

E. L. Hart left for Nova Scotia on Monday.

Charles Copp is paying the camp a short visit.

Mrs. E. L. Masterson visited Trout Lake this week.

Jack McHale left Wednesday to spend the winter in Nelson.

Turk Brown has moved into his new residence on Second street.

The sawmill shipped four carloads of lumber to Calgary this week.

Engineer Crawford of the Lardo express is building a residence at Gerrard.

Miss Anderson, sister of Gust Anderson of the Grand, left this week for Vancouver.

R G McLeod and several of the shareholders of the Spyglass from Nel are in Poplar.

Alex Smith was in camp last week looking over the Klondike group on Tenderfoot creek.

Word has been received that the deal on the Hecla and Heckler Fraction has been declared off.

Roberts and Woodrow report a new strike of free gold on the Golden Unicorn, Rapid creek.

E. L, Morand and family arrived in town Monday and have taken up their residence in the Royal

Andy Garvey has gone to Rossland to do assessment on a claim adjoining the I X L in that camp

John Keen went to Nelson on Monday to attend a meeeting of the executive of the Liberal association.

Messrs Lammers and McGoldrich are in Poplar this week looking over the timber areas of the district.

Ernest Harrop is receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, which occurred in Nelson on the 26th ult.

J. C. Hanson and bride returned Friday from Spokane and have moved into their residence on Marquis avenue.

The Morgan-Beach hunting party returned this week from Howser lake. They bagged three goats and a variety of small game.

Mrs. Alex. Wilson, Mrs. Smuck, Miss Morgan, Miss Beach, Frank Holton, P H. O'Connor, Monte Morgan and the 'kid" are camping at Howser lake this week.

We have it on the authority of no less a personage than Sir O'Shaughne-sy that the Lardo express will run regularly this winter, weather permitting and traffic increasing.

The tunnel on the Mother Lode is in 160 feet with the ore well in the face of the tunnel. Manager Cole leaves this week on business connected with the future development of the mine, and will spend a month at the coast

Officer Simpson and W E. Marshall visited Howser and Lardo this week, the former as an escort, and the latter also as an escort.

Gust Anderson and Fred J. Hazen have taken up a water right on the Lardo and will start a brewery or a stampmill, or a sawmill.

Armstrong & Almstrom have closed the Poplar hotel and have gone to Rossland for the winter, An addition will be made to the building and the hotel opened again in the early spring.

Work has been discontinued on the Copper King for the winter. About one hundred feet of tunneling has been done during the season. The lead is 75 feet in width carrying copper-gold values

Work on the Swede group closed down this week, the new manager of the Great Northern Mines. B. Crilly, having decided to devote his whole attention during the winter to the development of the Camborne properties of the company.

A recent assay from the lead in the upraise of the Spyglass gave 1197.5 ounces in silver from the quartz and gray copper; 266 ounces from the quartz and galena, and 271.2 ounces from the zinc ore. This shows that all the ore so far encountered in the mine will give a good net profit.

A deal is now on for a group of claims near the head of Lake creek, and adjoining the Abbott group The owner is John Chism and the deal is being put through by Wm. Schmock. The lead is about six feet in width, carrying as high as 70 per cent. zinc The ore will have to be taken out by way of Healey creek.

FROM THE PRESS

Mr. D. R. Wilkie, general manager of the Imperial Bank, spoke a very evident truth when he remarked to a Toronto reporter that British Columbia is being neglected by the rest of the Dominion. He added: British Columbia's natural products are in competition with the natural products of the United States upon a free trade basis and upon everything she uses she has to pay duty. She is not properly recognized by the rest of the Dominion. If she builds bridges it is at enormous cost over deep gulches, and she has to pay for them. Her sparse population have to carry on great public works at great cost to themselves per capita. Her resources are enormous, but need development. The subject may be enlarged upon to any extent by a review of the statistics of the province.

The Poplar Mines

The following, written by H. J. Baron, staff correspondent of the Mining Reporter, published at Denver, Colorado, in reference to Poplar district, is of interest as coming from a man who has had a large experience in the mining camps of the west:

"The district, while not new to prospectors (locations along Poplar creek having been made ten years ago), first attracted considerable attention in June of last year by the discovery of rich gold quartz (from which, perhaps, the finest gold specimens in the province were taken) on the Lucky Jack claim on Poplar creek and about 200 feet from the railroad tracks. With the excitement and rush incidental to this discovery, there has grow up a town of substantial log and frame buildings used as hotels, stores and dwelling houses. All lines of business are fairly well represented, including a weekly newspaper. When the writer visited the camp the inhabitants, numbered, 150, and mining operations were almost at a standstill. On seeing the splendid surface showings on a number of prospects and partially developed properties one cannot understand the apathy shown by the claim owners during the past twelve months Even taking into consideration the legal complications over the the Lucky Jack discovery claim, the idleness of the camp remains inexplicable One is almost inclined to the belief that the claim owners not only are lacking in development money but also in nerve to sink shafts or drive tunnels (the precipitous rise of the hills offering rare opportunities for the latter) in the exploration of the ground at depth Considerable desultory surface work, has, however, been done on a number of properties, and in every instance the gold values are reported to be very generally uniform.

"The district embraces a small area of the lower Lardeau river basin below Trout lake, the locations on which any work has been done being along Poplar and Rapid creeks, which empty into the Lardeau river about one and a half miles apart.

"The mineralized veins occur in slates and diabase schists, which along with greenstones, chloritic schists and phylittes, with occasional bands of limetones, constitute the rocks of the belt which presumably extends northwesterly across Silver Cup mountain, and constitutes the more southerly portion of the fairly well traced central belt of the Lardeau country There are two vein systems, one paralleling the schist formation northwest-southeast, another coursing almost north-south across the formation. The veins are fairly well defined and very numerous. The gold occurs in the quartz, in the sulphides and even in the country rock inclusions. The values are not evenly distributed, and in some cases, where no gold is visible, both the quartz and sulphides pan readily Arsenical iron pyrites are common, and are usually rich in free gold, some of which is often visible. It is curious to note the rich mineralization in the schist which, in most cases, forms ill-defined walls and is, perhaps, more properly regarded as a pay streak parting. Mineralogists who have visited the district, however, are not inclined to believe that the schist will carry pay values at depth, holding rather that the quartz, with its associated sulphides, galena and arseno pyrites, will make the mines As in all free-milling camps exceedingly high assays are obtainable, but the more conservative figure an average of the values between $6 and $25.

With it known large area of auriferous ground, its splendid transportation facilities, its abundance of timber for all purposes, its water available from Lardeau river, Poplar and Rapid creeks, its unexcelled deep tunnel opportunities, etc , the camp certainly merits the attention of mining men and the required development capital."

IRISH MINERS

There is an old saying that "God is good to the Irish." And indeed it does look as though He were in the matter of mining. Take, as examples, some of the big fellows in this country, men who from penniless beings became millionaires. Here are a few who may be cited off-hand: James G. Eair, William O'Brien, James Flood and John W. Mackey. These were the four who made their millions on the Comstock in Nevada, and not one of them was a dollar ahead of the game until he struck Comstock. Burns of the Portland, in Colorado, is another example, although to tell the truth we ore not quite sure whether he is a good Irishman or a bad Scotchman; it is just possible that he came from the Lowlands; but there is Jimmy Doyle, there is no doubt about him; he who carried on, and is still carrying, such a bitter warfare against Burns of the Portland, in his efforts to make Burns do the right thing. And then we have Mr. Thomas F. Walsh; he is a Tipperary man, now worth his millions, and possessed moreover with an excellent idea of how to properly disburse them. Yes, God is good to the Irish miners.

Ore from the Spyglass assayed in this city last week ran very high in silver. The zinc ore carried 271 ounces of silver to the ton; the quartz and galena, 265; while the quartz and grey copper showed 1197 ounces. The richest ore was taken out of the upraise in the new tunnel.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER, 14, 1904

In Old Mexico

Gambling tournaments are held in the towns of Mexico much the same as we hold fall fairs in Canada. Usually some successful gambler obtains permission from the town authorities to use the public square or plaza. He then sells privileges to various people to erect temporary quarters on the square for restaurants, monte, roulette and other games of chance, red lemonade stands and dance halls. The feria is advertised, and upon the day set apart for the opening the crowds flock into the town, and the cards are dealt. The farmer boy bucks the professional's game and parents hold their children up to the tables and let them make bets. Horse racing and cock fighting set the crowd wild during the day and by night they are excited enough to bet on anything or cut a throat to relieve their pent up emotions. The Mexican is a hot tamale, and you must be wedded to your gun if you want an even break with him when he is loaded with mescal, and mad with the back wash of a gambling tournament, or a feria as it is called. The greaser may be a nice chap but his habits would horrify any cold Canadian village. That little custom of theirs of all sexes swimming together without clothes would drive all good Canadians close to the bridge of horrors. With all his faults the Mexican goes to church regularly and says his little prayers. Then he is ready for anything from a cockfight to a murder, with red peppers on the side.

JOB died in Toronto the other day. Not from boils for he was a Hamilton man. It was the chill that killed him.

The Liberals can send their campaign literature through the mails without paying postage. This is a great cinch over the Tories.

VOTING contests for the most popular person in a town do not always turn out as expected. In Wardner, Idaho, Lilian Ford won a piano in this way, but the piano was not given to her because she had red blinds on her house.

KOOTENAY has been put in the backwoods, and it is not fit to vote at the regular time of the Dominion elections. Like a hobo it must wait in the kitchen until the company leaves the dining room. Nice insult to a section of Canada so famous and productive as Kootenay and proves how low the love of office will make a political party stoop.

THE Lord's Day Alliance wants the city council to close the candy and fruit stores in Fernie upon every Sunday. Instead of being a society for the benefit of mankind the Lord's Day Alliance is rapidly making itself a nuisance. Its endeavour to make people follow old fogey ideas about day worship will end in failure, especially when the law is to be invoked in order to carry out their foolish ideas upon the observance of a certain day. Which is the greater sin? To sell candy on Sunday, or put a man in jail because he does?

SAVED BY A MIRACLE

Peter the Great once found a guard sleeping at his post, the penalty for which offense was death. He took the man's sword. On awakening, the soldier was terrified at finding his sword gone. He had a false sword made of wood and he hung this by his side and appeared at parade the next morning. Peter appeared at the parade also He presently began to bluster about the untidy appearance of one of the men, and apparently in a towering passion, exclaimed: "Balakireff, draw your sword and cut that man down!" The poor fellow put his hand on the hilt of his wooden sword. He looked upward reverently, as though unwilling to do so dreadful a deed. "Merciful heaven!" he said, "let my sword be turned to wood!" He drew the sword and gazed at it as though a miracle had been wrought upon it. The Czar fell into a fit of laughter, and Balakireff was allowed to escape punishment.

IRISH WIT

An Irish corporal, who now and then indulged in a noggin of right poteen, was thus accosted by his captain, whilst standing at ease: "Pat, what makes your nose so red?" "Plase yer honour," said Pat, "I always blushes when I spakes to an officer."

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Mr. L., a good-natured German, was the proprietor of the clothing business in a country town. He had in his employ one John S., whom he had advanced from cash boy to head clerk. Since his promotion John had several times asked for an increase of salary, and each time his reqnest had been granted. One morning he again appeared at the old merchant's desk with another request for an increase of $10 per month.

"Vy, Shon," said Mr. L., "I dink I bays you pooty well alretty; vat for I bays you any more?"

"Well replied John, confidently, "I am your principal help here. I know every detail of the business, and, indeed, I think that you could not get along without me."

"Is dot so? Vy Shon, vot would I do suppose you vas to die?"

"Well, I suppose that you would have to get along without me then."

The old Teuton took several whiffs from his big pipe and finally said:

"Vell, Shon, I guess you petter gonsider yourself dead."

A COMFORTING PASSAGE

An Irishman in New England, falling sick, sent for a priest. The priest sat down by the bedside and for the sufferer's comfort read a few lines from a copy of Thomas a Kempis, which he chanced to have in his pocket. "That's foine," said the patient, "read it again." After the second reading he again requested a repetition of the passage. Then he said, "Plaze yer riverince, wud ye sit on the bed by me and read it again?" Again it was read, and this was followed by another request for the same passage. "Before I read it again, Pat, tell me why it comforts you so," said the visitor. "Because, your riverince," answered Pat, "this is a prohibition town, and ye've got a rich breath."

A KEEPER OF THE SABBATH

The Rev. V. B. Carroll, a Southern clergyman tells the following story; "We were driving out one Sunday from Decatur, when we came upon a negro with a club in his hand and a freshly killed 'possum on his shoulder. We stopped to examine his prize, and the colonel said:

"'My friend, do you know it is Sunday?'

"'Sartin, boss.'

"'Are you a religious man?'

"'I are. I'se just on my way home from church.'

"'And what sort of religion have yon that permits you to go hunting on Sunday?'

"'Religion? Religion?' queried the man, as he held the 'possum up with one hand and scratched his head with the other. 'Does you 'spect any black man in Alabama is gwine to tie hisself up to any religion that 'lows a 'possum to walk right across the road ahead of him an' git away free? No, sah! A religion which won't bend a little when a fat possum heads you off couldn't be established 'round yere by all the preachers in the universe.'"

A REASONABLE REFLECTION

John Farson, the Chicago banker, who has drawn up a list of satirical rules for entering society, holds that there is too much dissipation among the rich.

"A remark I heard the other day," he said to a reporter, "would apply well to the average society man.

"A middle-aged couple were talking about the Russo-Japanese war and the habits of Japan.

"'How curious,' the man said, 'that Japanese custom is of taking off the shoes before entering the house.'

"'It is only curious,' the woman retorted, 'because it is practised at all hours instead of at night solely.'"

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NOTICE OF FORFEITURE.

TO WILLIAM SCHNELL, GEORGE HAGERMAN, or to any person or persons to whom they may have transferred their interest in the Cornell mineral claim, situate on the north-west side of Rapid creek, in the Trout Lake Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

YOU are hereby notified that I have expended the sum of $100 00 in assessment work on the above claim, together with $2.50 for recording the same, such work being required and necessary to the said claim for the years 1903-4, ending August 11th, 1904, under the provisions of the Mineral Act and Amending Acts; and if, at the expiration of ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice in the Nugget, you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure, namely $51 25, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said claim shall become vested to me, (your co-owner) upon filling in the proper office in that behalf the affidavit required by section 4 of the Mineral Act Assessment Act, 1900.

Dated this 12th day of August A. D. 1904.

HENRY MAGNUSSON.
Kaiser House, Poplar, B. C.,
Attorney in fact for Minnie Munz.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

TO N P ROMAN, or to any person or persons to whom he may have transferred his interest in the Klondike mineral claim situated on Tenderfoot creek, in the Trout Lake Mining Division of West Kootenay District

YOU are hereby notified that we have expended the sum of $100 in assessment work on the above claim, together with $2 50 for recording the same, such work being required and necessary to the said claim for the years 1903 4 and ending September 2nd, 1904, under the provisions of the Mineral Act and Amending Acts; and if at the expiration of ninety days from the expiration of the first publication of this notice in The Nugget, you fail or refuse to contribute your portion of such expenditure, namely, $1 .81 1-4, together with all costs of advertising your interest in said mineral claim shall become vested in us (your co-owners) upon filling in the proper office in that behalf the affidavits required by section 4 of the Mineral Act Assessment Act 1900.

Dated this 2nd day of September A. D. 1904.

HENRY MAGNUSSON.
BEN LAWSON.
Eric Strand.

STRONG ON FRUIT

Five hundred thousand fruit trees will be planted in the province this season and it is predicted within five years British Columbia will export to Manitoba and the territories 1000 cars of fruit a season, most of which will go from the Okanagan Valley.

Mr. Cunningham, fruit inspector, reports: "The tomato industry on the Okanagan Lake is assuming large proportions. Mr. Gellatley will have a crop of 15,000 cases of tomatoes this season. Tomato growing has also proved a success on the Kootenay River. In that district Mr. Broadwood, an expert grower, who was formerly in Jersey Island, took 38 pounds of ripe tomatoes from a single vine. At 10 cents a pound this would give an income of $3.80 from one vine. Is there any country in the world that can beat this?"

A DEAL ON

We understand there is a deal pending on the Canadian Pacific group on Wild Horse creek. This group is situated in the immediate vicinity of the best and most profitable mines in the Ymir section. It lies about 2000 ft east of the Ymir mine, and is adjacent on the west to the Wilcox. Wild Horse mountain on which these properties lay, is well known for the character of its veins which are true fissures, from which a great deal of profitable ore has been extracted. The Canadian Pacific group itself, which consists of four crown granted claims, has a number of paralled veins, which are also true fissures, and are very similar in character to those which are now being worked so profitably on the Fourth of July and Wilcox. Assays on the Canadian Pacific ore have run to $24 in gold per ton. There is every probability that with adequate development work the Canadian Pacific would soon become as profitable a product as its near neighbors.—Ymir Herald.

ONCE MORE

A telegram from Harper's Camp states that Senator R. Campbell and H. Hermon prospected ground three-quarters of a mile below the forks of the Horsefly river and took out $28 for 13 hours work. Quite a few prospectors are on the ground. No further reports have been received. This alleged discovery of gold is about 50 miles from Harper's Camp, by lake and trail, and is on the route to the creeks at the head of Horsefly river about which there was a lot of excitement two years ago, but which proved worthless.

WANDERING WILLIE

Wandering Willie Watertank, of Walla Walla Wash.
A peregrinating printer and good fellow, too begosh,
Came recently from Texas to Seattle on the Sound,
To rubberneck and chew the rag, for which he is renouned;
With hair unkempt and face unshaved and shoes that sadly showed
The effects of hitting railroad ties on some rough-graded road,
He struck the town and thereupon he hunted high and low
For some other print who'd listen to his little tale of woe

For Willie he was busted, and to him 'twas very clear
That he had to get a rustle on and organize a beer;
So, as it was early morning, to achieve his juicy aim
He would take among the day shops and get there just the same;
He was likewise hungry and thought that some old chum
Perchance would have a pie card, whereof a meal he'd bum.

So 'twas in this yearning humor that Wandering Willie strayed
Into the Mercury office, by terror undismayed,
And he told his taleful story in a meek and tired way—
How he'd walked up from Puyallup since early break of day;
How nothing but a turnip and a draught from babbling streams
Had he to bring contentment o'er the spirit of his dreams.

So Willie got his grub stake and the price, too, for his beer,
And in about an hour returned full of good cheer,
And sitting in our only chair regaled us with his jokes,
Interspersed with hobo stories of other tourist blokes;
And we asked him, midst the laughter, of his title, style, and name,
"Well, I'll tell you," said he, 'pardners, I'm a duck of varied fame.

'Oh, I'm the czar of the tourists; I'm a traveller gay;
I'm the box car artist who scorns what brakeys say,
I'm the dude of the dingbat on the great panhandle line;
I'm the boss of the growler and in curbstone sessions shine;
I'm the festive roadster known from Yemhill to Oshkosh
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