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THAT PETITION.

John Kirkland Takes the Editor to Task.

Editorial Comments not in Accord With the Mining Sentiment. Would Like Judicial Powers Without a Court.

The following letter, dealing with our remarks last week in connection with certain clauses in a petition sent to Victoria, echoes, doubtless, the sentiment of many of our readers regarding the apparent uselessness of a Gold Commissioner. Of the subject matter we will have more to say next week.

DEAR SIR—In your editorial of 19th inst. in reference to the Miners' petition, you seem to think the miners have "run up against the real thing" in a hopeless effort to influence the Government to legislate in their interest.

Is it not the privilege of any number of British subjects to agitate and petition for the greatest good for the greatest number?

This being strictly a miners' movement, they have to steer clear of collusion with any party, who act hypocritically, or men whose sympathies are not with them and who refused to sign their petition.

Where a hydraulic lease is forfeited for irregularities and a miner wishes to stake on the ground it means a foot race or guess work with him as far as obtaining information from the Recording Office is concerned, against actual knowledge, and it is re-staked once more as a lease.

I did not think there was an editor in the Province who could not enlighten his readers as to facts pertaining to Gold Commissioners and from what source they received their appointment.

If you refer to the "Act of Union," it is self-explanatory, whereby British Columbia has the exclusive right to make and amend her own mining laws.

You deem it unnecessary to have our Gold Commissioners empowered with authority to settle mining disputes in view of a County Court Judge being appointed for Atlin.

From a monetary point of view, this is going from bad to worse: whereas, if a Gold Commissioner, capable as ours would be, had the power to act without restraint in every instance, and received a liberal salary, it would offset the necessity of County Court, solicitors fees and other excessive charges occasioned thereby in connection with mining matters.

I would ask what good a salaried Gold Commissioner is to a camp where his only power, when a dispute arises, is to restrain all parties interested from working their

ground, and yet with no power to render a decision.

Solicitors mean something to a poor man, \$50 for plaintiff and \$50 for defendant, appeals and other incidentals, to say nothing of an adjournment of the Court before a decision is rendered, and the possible loss of the stenographer's notes of the evidence!—Yours, etc.

JOHN KIRKLAND.

April 25th, 1902.

The Lumber Combine Will Be a thing of the Past.

"It's an ill wind that blows nobody good." The public are reaping the benefit of the rivalry between the merchants of the town in matter of the cost of staple supplies. Take as an instance, flour last year at this time was selling for \$6 a sack, now it can be had for \$3.75. Now the miners have a chance to profit by the trade rivalry between mill owners. The "combination," which was formed early last spring, runs out in a few days and we are creditably informed that it will not be renewed. By that combination, which raised the price of lumber almost to a prohibitory price, miners were practically compelled to do with whatever old lumber they could pick up on the creeks. The position today is that with each of the mills ready to meet the cut of the others, you can get lumber at your own price. It is more than possible the reduction in price will stimulate the building industry, and we would not be surprised to see a few houses go up this season.

A New Business.

A partnership has been entered into between W. E. Haddon and Tom Sageman, who will engage in the bicycle livery business. They are renovating the store recently occupied by Muscat & Son on First street. They have a stock of high grade wheels coming in by the first boat. Among other drawing cards they will have two or three Ping Pong tables, and this popular pastime may be indulged in their comfortable rooms by ladies or gentlemen in peace and quietness. We commend Sageman & Haddon for their enterprise and be-peak for them a goodly share of public patronage.

Two shifts are working for the Societe Miniere on Boulder creek. It is said that the Company's Manager is well satisfied with the outlook. The drift commenced by the Norton Brothers early in the winter is being continued with the view of determining the width of the channel. It is expected that this drift will be continued all summer. Hydraulic operations will not be begun until the snow is off the ground.

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A NOTICE has, for the last few weeks, been appearing in these columns calling the attention of the public to the fact that County Court will sit in Atlin on June 10th next. It is expedient that all those having disputes on hand, necessitating the intervention of the Court, should file their complaints with the Registrar, Mr. E. M. N. Woods, at the earliest possible date.

During the sitting of the Supreme and County Courts in Atlin last year and until this date, several cases were unsettled. In some instances it was owing to absence of a Sheriff, while in others it was from failure of the Court Stenographer to extend and hand over his notes to the Court. Up to the time of the death of the Chief Justice, we have reason to believe that these reports of unsettled cases and other matters relative to that official's visit to Atlin were never handed in. Whether or not unsettled cases will have to be heard over again, we do not profess to know, but we do know that such a condition of affairs as that of last year is a positive disgrace, and it behoves the Government to look to it that a like condition does not occur again. The want of a sheriff is a very serious matter and is pertinently shown by last year's business in the inability to execute such judgments as were rendered, and now that many of the parties have left the country the loss falls upon the individual without recourse.

WE note with pleasure in a recent issue of the **ENGINEERING & MINING JOURNAL**, of New York, that Mr. W. M. Brewer, the B. C. representative of that journal, has associated himself with the North Western Smelting and Refining Company, a Montana corporation interested in mining development in this Province, Alaska, Washington, California and elsewhere. The Company is building a large smelting and converter plant at Osborne Bay, Vancouver Island, and intends to develop a large custom smelting business on the Pacific coast. Mr. Brewer will examine and report upon properties, purchase ores, etc. His duties will take him all over the Pacific coast. He has always had a favorable opinion of Atlin, and if quartz developments prove up what is expected from the camp we may look for Mr. Brewer's company to have extensive interests here.

THE time is ripe for the fun-makers to devise ways and means for a fitting celebration of "Victoria Day," which comes four weeks from today.

AROUND CAMP.

Items of General Interest to Everybody.

Bad Rumour From Victoria — A New Company Being Formed With Extensive Powers.

According to Mr. W. Queen, who arrived from the coast on Thursday of this week, the instructions of John Cunningham Brown, quondam Minister of Mines, in his telegram of 18th of September last, to the Gold Commissioner requiring him to not give effect to the charter of the Pine Creek Power Co., the Government, in its evident wish to legislate "Pro bono publico," has substantiated the then Minister's action. If this report be true, it augurs no good to the property owners on Pine who were depending upon the Pine Creek Power Co. for their water supply. We give the information for what it is worth, but have no definite confirmation of the matter.

It is reported that a company is now being organized in Vancouver and Victoria to take up a bed-rock flume right on Spruce creek and other water and timber rights on Pine creek. Work, it is understood, will be begun early in June.

Preparations for sluicing are now being made on both Pine and Spruce creeks to put through the dumps taken out during the winter. Opinions differ as to the prospective values contained in the dumps, but it is conceded that the instances are rare where they will not pay wages.

On Spruce creek, below 100, it is reported that two men in sluicing over their tailings, took out \$78 in two days' run. In the neighborhood of 100 below the miners have banded together to construct a flume with a capacity sufficient to carry all the water in the creek and the necessary lumber is being delivered on the ground. From the experience of last year, in cleaning out a flume in another part of the creek, the sum of \$280 was taken and it is expected that the present combination will make a satisfactory profit as there is a very large amount of gravel to be moved tributary to this flume.

The water on Pine creek is said to be too low for the best results to be obtained. From systematic prospecting which has been done on some of the drifts throughout the winter, excellent clean-ups are anticipated, but, as above stated, the amount on the average will result in good wages all round.

Gold Run, in spite of the many difficulties with which miners have to contend, will, it is expected, make a satisfactory showing in the camp's output. Stukey & Co., Crichton & Stubblefield, Thomas & Smith, Martin, Clark & Co. and Howard & Bruner are all on bed-rock, managing to control the water and taking out good pay. The last mentioned partnership struck bedrock last week with very bright prospects.

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Apricots	1.00	Lubeck Sliced Potatoes, per lb	30
Peaches	65	Ham and Bacon, per lb	25

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PROSPERITY

Manitoba's Wheat Prospects Encouraging.

Cowardly Affray in Kansas—Blizzards Occurring in the Northern States.

VANCOUVER, April 22d.—The officials of the Land Department of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. say that the conditions are extremely favorable for another immense wheat crop this season. At present there is a large immigration pouring in from all parts and there is a steadily increasing demand for both farm and city property in Manitoba the Territories and British Columbia. In Manitoba the acreage in wheat will far exceed all previous years.

VANCOUVER, April 22d.—Press despatches report a serious and cowardly affray at Kansas. A gang of young negro hoodlums attacked and stabbed Prof. Charles Huey of the Kansas Normal School. Prof. Huey had driven the negroes from a fence at the Emporia while a base-ball game was in progress. Huey is severely wounded but every hope is entertained for his recovery.

LONDON, April 22.—A disastrous fire occurred in the Barbican, by which over a dozen warehouses and shops have been completely consumed and damage to the extent of ten million pounds been done. It is said to have been one of the biggest fires since the Cripple Gate conflagration in 1897. In the destruction of a printer's warehouse in Hackney, last night, a man, two women and four children were burned to death.

VICTORIA, April 22d.—The charge made by C. W. Sawers against Gold Commissioner Graham in connection with the sale of buildings to the Government for an isolation hospital is still being considered by a special committee. Among other witnesses examined was R. C. Lowry, late of Atlin. So far no startling revelations have been made, and the commission will likely fizzle out.

CHICAGO, April 22d.—Reports are coming in here that serious blizzards are occurring throughout several of the northern States.

BERLIN, April 22d.—Emperor William has signified his intention of accepting the trust imposed upon him by the will of Cecil Rhodes, relative to the scholarship at Oxford for German students.

Placer Act, 1901, consolidated, for sale at this office.

GLOOM

Queen Wilhelmina's Condition Serious.

No Truth in Press Announcements of Peace in South Africa—Disastrous Fire

LONDON, April 22d.—Sir Michael Hicks Beach says that the press of the country is decidedly premature in talking of the virtual conclusion of peace negotiations in South Africa. These negotiations are quietly proceeding and the outlook, fortunately, decidedly hopeful.

LONDON, April 22d.—Continental despatches state that owing to the condition of Queen Wilhelmina being unchanged, slender hopes are being held out for her recovery, and the possibility of her death shrouds Holland in gloom.

VICTORIA, April 22d.—A new proposition has been made to the Government in connection with the construction of the Coast-Kootenay railway. The proposal is made by C. H. Lugin on behalf of New York capitalists.

NEW YORK, April 22d.—It is reported that J. Pierpont Morgan will finance to the extent of several millions the projected underground railway system in London, which is to compete with the Yerkes' system.

BRUSSELS, April 22d.—Although the agitation started by the Socialists in connection with franchise matters has by no means subsided, work throughout the city and vicinity is being generally resumed.

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Certificate of Improvements.

ROCK OF AGES MINERAL CLAIM, SITUATE ON PINE CREEK, ATLIN DIVISION, CASSIAR DISTRICT, B. C.

NOTICE is hereby given that We, F. A. Wise, W. G. Mitchell and N. H. Russells, intend, Sixty days from date, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above mineral claim.

AND FURTHER, Take notice that action under Section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 1902.

F. A. WISE, W. G. MITCHELL, N. H. RUSSELLS.

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COUNTY COURT OF VANCOUVER, HOLDEN AT ATLIN, B. C.

NOTICE is hereby given that the above Court will sit at the Court House, Atlin, B. C., on Tuesday, the 10th day of June next ensuing, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a.m., for the purpose of hearing all causes and other matters that may be set down for trial.

Dated at Atlin, B. C., this 12th day of April, 1902. E. M. N. WOODS, Registrar.

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Dated this 4th day of February, A. D. 1902. J. A. Gemmill, Solicitor for Applicants.

LAND ACT, 1901.

INITIAL POST:—British Yukon Navigation Company, Limited, South-east Corner Post.

TAKE notice that, sixty days after date, I on behalf of the British Yukon Navigation Company, Limited Liability, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase for terminal and industrial purposes, on behalf of the said company, the following described tract of land in the Atlin Mining Division of Cassiar, B. C., containing 40 acres, more or less, commencing at a post planted on the shore of the west side of Atlin Lake, at or near the outlet of Atlin Lake into the Atlin-too River, and on the northerly limit of said outlet, thence running west ten (10) chains thence north forty (40) chains, thence east ten (10) chains to its point of intersection with the west shore of Atlin Lake, thence southerly forty (40) chains along the shore of the said lake to its point of commencement.

BRITISH YUKON NAVIGATION Co., Ltd., per P. F. Schar Schmidt, Agent. Dated this 19th day of March, 1902. MR-22-2-1

