THE ATLIN CLAIM.

VOL. I. ATLIN, B. C., SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 1899. NO. 16.

McLennan, McFeely and Co.

(LIMITED.)

Paints, Oils, Varnishes,
Builders' Hardware,
Sash and Doors,
Tinware, Graniteware, Crockery

All kinds of Tinsmith work done.

Corner of First and Pearl Street.

....FRESH NEW GOODS JUST IN....

J. St. Clair Blackett and Co

LARGEST AND BEST SELECTED STOCK OF

Groceries, Shelf Hardware, Paints and Oils, Boots and Shoes, Rubber Goods and Miners' Supplies.

IRON STORE - - - - - - - - - COR. 1ST AND TRAYNOR.

The Bank of British North America

Established in 1836. Incorporated by Royal Charter.

PAID UP CAPITAL - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $4,866,666.66
RESERVE FUND - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $1,460,000.00

London Office: 3 Clements Lane, Lombard Street, E. C.
Head Office in Canada: Montreal.
H. STIKEMAN, General Manager.

Branches in all the principal cities of Canada, and agents in New York, San Francisco, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Spokane, Boston, Chicago Etc.

Gold dust assayed and purchased at best rates, the bank's assay office being now in operation. A general banking business transacted.

J. ANDERSON, Manager, Atlin, B. C.

...ATLIN...

GENERAL HOSPITAL

—AND—

FREE PUBLIC DISPENSARY.

RESIDENT PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.
COMPETENT NURSE ATTENDANTS.

Private apartments and wards for male or female patients.

Vancouver General Store.

We carry a complete stock of

MINERS' SUPPLIES

Agency of the B. C. Fruit Canning and Coffee Company, Vancouver, B. C.

Agency of the Canadian Rubber Company, Montreal.

A call solicited.

A. S. CROSS & CO.

GORE, BURNET & CO.,

CIVIL AND HYDRAULIC ENGINEERS, DOMINION AND PROVINCIAL LAND SURVEYORS.
MINING PROPERTIES HANDLED.
Office: Pearl street, above Second.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Wines, Liquors and Cigars.

WRIGHT & CALLBREATH, Props.

JUST ARRIVED

AT THE

Medical Hall

The largest stock of drugs and patent medicines in Atlin.

FORTIN & LECAPPELLAIN,
First Street.

FOR FINE VIEWS AND PHOTOS GO TO

A. C. HIRSCHFELD'S

Films, Plates, Etc.,
Developed at Reasonable Rates

Pearl, between 1st and 2nd.
ATLIN B. C

$20 Per Ounce

Will be allowed for gold nuggets suitable for making jewelry, in exchange for as fine a gold watch as ever ticked. No purer gold or better English movements made. Also a beautiful, rare design, solid gold coral setting, ladies' set, pin and earrings. This is something fine. Call at Medical Hall, First Street, Atlin.

J. Eggert, Jeweler.

THE ARCADE,
Pearl street:
Come in and hear the Battle of Manila on the Graphophone.
Archie L. Brownlee, Manager.

VICTORIA GROCERY.

MINERS' SUPPLIES.

WILSON & CURWEN,
First street, Atlin.

Windows $1.00

Cheaper than any dealer will sell them in Atlin. Made any size you order within three hours. Glass cheaper than anybody can sell it. Prices: 8x10, 20c; 10x12, 25c; good assortment of larger sizes. Doors, any size or style, made to order on short notice. Any kind of a saw filed, set, etc., and done right. Shop on north 1st street, near Discovery St.

R. R. VAN DEUSEN.

JOE IS A DEAD DUCK!

Deserted by His Most Intimate Political Friends.

Semlin Finds Difficulty in Filling the Vacated Office.

Joe Martin is a dead bird. The diplomatic Minister of Finance did the shooting and after months of trying work has landed his game on ground that will result in something stable being done for British Columbia.

To every British Columbian it has been apparent that the conditions existing for the last six months could not go on without a check-rein being made use of at some time or other. The paralyzed mining industry from Kootenay to Atlin has resulted from legislation at the hands of one man, backed up by men who had no mind of their own and with vision less lengthy than their nose.

Deserted here, deserted there, Fighting Joe goes down in British Columbia to rise no more. The very men for whom a special bill was passed to provide them with seats in the Legislature caught on to the popular Rossland refrain and echoed "To hell you white-shirted hobo."

What follows below is taken from the Victoria Globe of August 3rd:

The Semlin Government is dead. It is now only a question of days—perhaps hours—before Mr. Semlin will be required to hand in his resignation.

The last faint hope of the Government that it might survive the crisis was shattered yesterday, when H. D. Helmcken Q.C., refused to accept the Attorney-Generalship.

The Government cannot get an Attorney-General. Mr. Helmcken has refused. E. V. Bodwell will not take it; neither will E. P. Davis. Mr. Alex. Henderson would of course take it, at once, but he could not be re-elected. If proof of this latter statement is required one has only to look to the New Westminster Columbian, the Government organ, which grows quite indignant at the bare suggestion that Mr. Henderson will be offered the vacant portfolio. Mr. Cotton is also said to be opposed to Mr. Henderson.

The Government is lost. It can do nothing to save itself from complete disaster. Its friends can do nothing. There is absolutely no hope.

The only question now admitting of any speculation is: Who will the Lieutenant-Governor call upon? He must act soon. He cannot permit things to continue as they are much longer.

One of three things must happen at once. First—Mr. Semlin may resign; second—he may choose to meet defeat by appointing an Attorney-General who cannot get elected; third—the Lieutenant-Governor may ask Mr. Semlin for his resignation. But the defeat of the Government is inevitable—it has, in truth arrived.

Perhaps before these lines appear in type, the Government shall have resigned or the Lieutenant-Governor have dismissed the Ministry. Indeed, it is difficult to understand why Mr. Semlin persists in clinging to office an hour longer.

He can do nothing.

The name of W. W. B. McInness, M. P., has been mentioned in connection with the vacant portfolio. It is contended in some quarters that the Government may offer the Attorney-Generalship to that gentleman. Well, supposing that it does? Mr. McInness would not get a seat. What could be say in justification of his action in joining the Government? Could he endorse the Government's policy? The thing is ridiculous. He would be laughed at.

The only hope the Government ever had was in a coalition. At one time that was possible. It is impossible now. The Government is so thouroughly discredited in the country that it is beyond even the power of its enemies to save it from complete disaster.

The Government is dead. How long will the Governor permit the corpse to remain in office, and who will be called upon to form a Ministry?—those are now the only questions to be considered.

The downfall of the Government is a great thing for British Columbia. No more meddlers will be entrusted with office. There will be no more freaky legislation. A new policy will be adopted. The country will be rescued from the mire, and its affairs put upon a sound business basis.

The Semlin Government is dead. This is great and good news for the people of British Columbia.

ALLAN & CAMPBELL

Have received a shipment of

Ladies', Misses' and Childrens' Fine Footwear

Also

Fine Boots and Shoes, Rubber Boots, Miners' Prospectors in endless Variety.

Main St., Pine.

SIMSON'S VARIETY STORE.

The latest styles in Costumes, Bicycle Skirts, Shirt Waists, Hats and Millinery.

Between Bant and Watson

OLD AND ONLY IN THE WAY.

The C. P. Navigation Company Outlived Its Usefulness.

The Canadian Pacific Navigation Company—commonly known as the C. P. N.—is a dull, foggy and antiquated institution. They are out of joint in this age of activity; barnacles on the wheel of progress, and high time they were bounced to the boneyard, to there sleep forever.

Condition not theory confronts the business men of our British Columbia cities. Are they to continue for all time sacrificing this northern country for the sake of keeping two or three old tubs—one boat that up to this very day uses candles in the staterooms—afloat and trying to do business with lines that have electricity in their make-up. Fancy yourself striking a match and lighting a taper on retiring in this, the tail end of the nineteenth century. A good many people, and justly so, have dubbed the C. P. N. the candle route. This company, possibly when the Fraser river was their objective point, was first-class; but not now. They filled the bill to perfection when Indians formed two-thirds the population and when semi-annual trips were made with supplies of rum and flint-locks to the various points along the coast. They did well in those days. But conditions are different to-day. If the merchants below don't feel like giving the company a bonus to put on a line that can compete with others—the Humbolt and Seattle for instance—then let them give the company a double bonus to get out of the business.

This is a matter that must be viewed from a business standpoint. The population of the north is a floating one, and thousands swarm out in the summer and fall. They want to go out quick; they are not tourists; they don't want to bask in the sun on the deck of some C. P. N. boat for seven days and then be landed at a port with no transcontinental connection. Most miners have good money and are good spenders and will lay over at Skaguay a couple of days in order to avoid taken a boat that calls at four or five canneries on her way down.

The following was taken from the Colonist of a late date and was spoken in the Board of Trade rooms at Victoria:

Mr. A. G. McCandless it was who raised the question. He had recently received a communication from a prominent resident of Skagway, he said, in which this gentleman wanted to know if Victoria had gone to sleep—or did the people of British Columbia's capital fail to realize the importance of the Northern trade. As an illustration of what Victoria is losing, this Skagwayan wrote that on one occasion this spring some 400 Klondikers arrived in Skagway, with upwards of two million dollars in gold. They were quite as ready to go to Victoria as to Seattle, but there was no Victoria steamer on hand to offer them transportation—and the Sound city accordingly reaped the harvest.

While he did not wish to pose as an unfair or harsh critic of the C. P. N. Co., he (Mr. McCandless) thought that there was ample room for the improvement of the Northern service maintained by the home company. It was impossible to have a satisfactory service while the present plan of calling at the Northern British Columbia salmon ports was continued. The conditions of the two traffics were eminently different, and outbound Klondikers cannot be expected to take a steamer that will delay them in a section where they have no interest, for days, while the steamer loads a few cases of salmon.

Nor can the British Columbia company expect to command the passenger business unless they provide vessels to handle it that will compare in speed, comfort and appointments with such craft as the Humboldt and the City of Seattle.

THE ATLIN CLAIM.

Published every Saturday morning by COWAN & MACKAY.

Office of publication:

Corner of Second and Trainor Streets.

Advertising rates made known on application.

Our subscription price is $1 a year, payable in advance. No paper will be delivered unless these conditions are complied with.

THE PLACER MINING ACT.

The miners of this district have had an opportunity during the past summer to see just how bad laws can be made to regulate a particular industry. The Placer Mining Act, as administered in this district, is certainly a disgrace to any community claiming to be governed by common sense. The miners, altho' very busy, should make a move towards getting a petition in shape, setting forth the grievances that arise under the present act. The lack of power of the Gold Commissioner to prevent indiscriminate jumping, the small size of claims, the appointment of an inspector and a host of other points might be brought to the attention of the Government. All these might be dealt with in a petition, and we have no doubt would receive the signature of every miner in the district that could be reached. Unless such a move is made we question very much whether anything will be done to amend the Act. There have been three or four members of the House in this district during the summer, but as all of them but one are opposition members, as politics go, very little heed will be paid to any suggestion they offer, no matter how wise they may be. Therefore it behooves the miners of this district to show the authorities at Victoria that they are dead in earnest, and we believe this can only be done by a monster petition setting forth their grievances.

During the past week the rival steamboat companies running to Taku have been doing a little long-range sparring. First, the small iron sailboats plying between here and Taku were debarred from carrying passengers. The proprietors of these boats retaliated by charging the captain of the Scotia with running his boats without a certificated engineer, and sufficient life buoys. This was thrown out by the magistrate on a technicality, although he remarked that the charge in the main was true. Now we understand that another boat is to be put on Atlin lake. Probably before long people will be able to travel to Bennett very cheap.

A CLERICAL VISITOR.

Rev. Father Whelan, of Vancouver, arrived in the city on Tuesday, from Dawson. He has been in the latter place for a month. The Klondike capital, he says, is very dull at present, there being a very large number of idle men. There were three insane men brought out on the same boat he was on. At Five Finger Rapids one of them jumped overboard and was drowned. The Columbian lost its seond mate at Five Fingers, by drowning. The reverend gentleman is much impressed with Atlin. He will hold services here on Sunday, at 10 a.m., in Russell's pavilion, and in the afternoon a consultation meeting with the Catholics of the district. The following Sunday he will probably hold services at Pine.

THE EDMONTON TRAIL.

Sixteen Months on the Road to Atlin.

Attempted to Take 48 Head of Cattle to Dawson.

On March 11th, 1898, S. R. Geddis, of Ellensburg, Wash.; Harris Bros., of Seattle, now of the Vendome, Atlin; H. Brown, of Kansas, formerly of Yakima, Wash.; Harry Taylor, of Seattle, and a Frenchman and halfbreed boy left Edmonton for Dawson with 48 head of cattle, mostly oxen. Aug 4, 1899, S. R. Geddis and H. Brown arrived in Atlin.

The story of their sixteen months trip, while not as full of harrowing details as many reported, yet is exceedingly interesting. As mentioned above the party left Edmonton March 11, 1898. From there to the Peace river the trail was good, but from this on it was most difficult. Leaving Peace river, they followed the trail blazed by Taylor, the man sent out by the people of Edmonton. Taylor had got too far north and the consequence was the party had to switch back south about 100 miles before they reached Fort Nelson. From there they followed the tracks of 11 head of horses, which three men had taken through to Muddy Post on the Liard. At this point they received instructions from the Hudson Bay officer, and succeeded in reaching Cassiar district, where they wintered. The winter was comparatively mild. They lost most of their stock from blackleg, none of them starving for want of food. On the 4th of July they started for Atlin. They had to make a road themselves almost the entire way. Aside from this arduous work the trip was a pleasant one.

But the whole party did not come through. The younger of the Harris brothers took sick at Hay river before they reached Fort Nelson. The elder brother returned with him to Edmonton. Three more were sent to the States from the winter quarters, the other two coming on to Atlin.

While at Fort Nelson a man named John Sutherland, from Chicago, joined the party. A short time after he was drowned through the upsetting of a canoe.

Mr. Harris, of the Vendome, hearing that the party was wintering in the Cassiar district, sent Frank Smith with a letter to tell Geddis where he (Harris) was and how to get through. He met the party at the old Sylvester post.

THE OFFICIAL SPELLING.

Decisions of the Geographical Board of Canada.

A decidedly useful supplement to the report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, is the first annual report of the Geographical Board of Canada for 1898. This board was appointed by order-in-council in December, 1897, to investigate and establish uniformity in geographic names in the Dominion. The necessity for this is very apparent, as people living in British Columbia very well know, for there are so many varieties of spelling various names of places in this Province and Yukon that one is often very much puzzled as to what is the correct spelling of such names for example as Stikine, Lindeman, or other equally well known places.

Chilkat inlet, lake and river (not Chilcat).

Chilkoot inlet, lake and river (not Chilcoot nor Chilcut).

Deep lake is done away with and it appears as Canyon lake.

Fifteen-mile river is done away with, Jennings river being retained in its place.

Fortymile river and town.

Fortynine gulch.

Francis lake and river.

Grizzly bluff (not Grizzly Bear Bluff).

Lake Laberge (not Labarge nor Lebarge).

Lewes river.

Liard river (not Mountain river).

Lake Lindeman (not Linderman nor Lyndeman).

M'Clintock river and peak (not McClintock).

McQuesten river.

Mountain lake (not Long lake).

Nahoni mountains.

Porter Landing (not Porter's Landing).

Sayyea creek (not Sayia).

Skagway (not Skaguay).

Stikine river.

Tahltan lake and river.

Tatchun river.

Tatonduk river (not Tatonduc).

Tatsho mountain (not Tacho).

Teslin lake and river (not Hootalinqua nor Teslin-too).

The Knob (near Stikine river; not "Knob."

The Knob (near Stikine river; not "Knob."

Tiller lake (not Til-e-i-tsho).

Tustles lake (not Tus-tles-tu).

Tustesheta creek (not Tuteshita).

White Pass.

Whitehorse rapid.

Whiteswan river.

Yukon [not Youkon nor Yucon].

These are some of the more well known names dealt with out of some 500 places mentioned in the report. They set at rest a good deal of vexation and confusion in the spelling of places in Yukon or northern parts of the Province.

It is conceded by all that, while a fissure vein may be very strong and well defined, yet it will follow the lines of the least resistance. Thus the trend may show north and south where it outcrops, yet it may change very materially in a very short distance. This is one reason why so much suspicion attaches to a prospect "adjoining" some well-known property. Because of proximity gives it no added value, unless the croppings show a good lead. One may prospect apparently barren ground and find good ore, but it is not the rule; and the fact that a claim is in the vicinity of a good property is only valuable to the promoter.—Seattle Mining Record.

Elihu Root has been appointed U. S. secretary of war, in place of Gen. Alger.

Who Are the P. P. Co.?

—THE—

PARSONS PRODUCE CO.

With headquarters at WINNIPEG, Man., and branches at

EXETER, ONT., VANCOUVER, B. C., VICTORIA, B. C.
NELSON, B. C., ROSSLAND, B. C., ATLIN, B. C.,
BENNETT, B. C., DAWSON, YUKON TERRITORY.

The largest Produce Business in the Canadian Northwest. Carry a full line of all kinds of Groceries and Supplies. Goods second to none. Orders promptly and carefully executed.

FIRST STREET. ATLIN, B. C.

—THE—

Bennett Lake and Klondyke Navigation Co., Ld

The Pioneer Line operating steamers ORA, NORA and FLORA between Bennett and Dawson, and

Olive May between Bennett and Atlin

The B. L. & K. N. Co. advance freight and customs charges on shipments via B. L. & K. N. Co.

BEST of SERVICE GUARANTEED.

OTTO H. PARTRIDGE, Local Manager, Bennett.

LIST YOUR LOTS AT

Rant & Jones,

OLDEST ESTABLISHED BROKERS OF ATLIN.

Agents for the John Irving Nagation Company.

PEARL ST., ATLIN, B. C.

..HOTEL RUSSELL..

First-Class Goods
And First-Class Service.
Rates Reasonable.
Choice Wines,
Liquors and Cigars.

JAS. H. RUSSELL, Proprietor

AITKEN & STRANAHAN,

PAINTERS.

Neat and artistic signs at reasonable rates.

John Irving Navigation Co.

Direct line of steamers between

Atlin and Bennett.

The STEAMER "SCOTIA"

Makes close connections with the STEAMER "GLEANER" For Bennett.

...THE KOOTENAY...

Furnished Rooms and Grill Room in connection.

HAYWOOD & BYRON, Proprietors.

Royalty on Gold.

Notice is hereby given that the royalty of 1 per cent. on all gold extracted is now payable for the quarter ending June 30, 1899. All parties concerned are required to pay same within 14 days from date. Necessary affidavits may be obtained at the office of the Gold Commissioner.

J. D. GRAHAM.

Atlin, B. C., July 11, 1899.

WATER FOR WILLOW

The Claim Owners Form a Co-Operative Association

And Will Dig a Long Ditch From Pine.

A large and representative meeting of the miners on Willow Creek was held last Sunday, for the purpose of considering the vexed water question, in no adequate supply being at present at the disposal of the miners, and Mr. Thos. Bateman was unanimously appointed chairman, and at once opened the meeting by stating the objects for which they were gathered.

Mr. Bateman presented a permit from Mr. Graham, authorizing the miners on Willow Creek to cut a ditch to Pine Creek for the purpose of diverting sufficient water for the successful working of their properties. Mr. Bateman voiced the sentiment of the miners as to the present condition and delay in working the claims, the absolute uncertainty of getting a sufficient flow of water from the present sources, and the success that would follow an effort on the part of all to co-operate in putting in a ditch, and at once take advantage of the kindness of the Gold Commissioner. He was followed by Mr. Brown who had, with a few others roughly examined the ground through which the ditch would have to be made. Mr. Brown placed before the meeting the probable cost, and demonstrated the practicability of the scheme.

Mr. Lindsay endorsed what the former speakers had said, and after considerable discussion in which the oratorical power of some of the miners was ably displayed, the following resolutions were put to the meeting and carried unanimously:

1. That the miners of Willow Creek form themselves into a co-operative association, to be known as the Willow Creek Miners' Co-operative Water Association.

2. That a committee of seven be appointed to carry out the objects of the Association.

3. That the committee appointed be empowered to obtain the necessary preliminary information in regard to the proposed ditch, to be laid before a meeting of the miners to be held on August 9th at 7 p.m.

A committee of the following miners was then appointed:

Messrs. Farrer, Lindsay, Macdonald, Graham, Brown, Negus and Wilson.

The meeting then closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Gold Commissioner, whose action the whole body of claim-holders on Willow Creek appreciate; also to Mr. Bateman, who so ably filled the chair.

The adjourned meeting of the Willow Creek Miners' Co-operative Water Association, Ld., was held on Wednesday night, when a large number of miners were present. Mr. Bateman was again elected chairman of the meeting and explained fully the objects of the Association. During the season nearly the whole of the claims have been unworked for want of water, although there are four parties or companies who have obtained water rights to supply the mines. In only one case has any effort been made to supply the water, viz.: from Elk lake, and that supply has been practically taken from the Willow Creek miners to supply the bench claims on Nugget Point, the water being afterwards returned into Pine Creek. The charges for supply of water per sluice-head ir so exorbitant as to preclude its use from any but rich pay dirt, the charges varying from $7.50 to $20 per day of ten hours, per sluice-head; and at present water cannot be got at any price. The miners formed themselves into a Co-operative Association, adopting the memorandum and articles of association, and immediate steps will be taken to commence operations. The miners themselves will supply the labor to construct a ditch to connect with Pine Creek, for distribution of water to the different claim-owners without stint, yet without waste, and it is estimated that the work will cost $3,000, and that supplying claim owners at $1 per sluice-head for 24 hours, will repay cost of construction in six weeks, besides giving the miners an immediate opportunity of working their claims, and also furnishing employment to a large number of miners now idle.

MORE STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

The Bennett Lake & Klondyke Navigation Co. After Atlin Business.

Mr. Arthur Copeland, representing the interests of the B. L. & K. N. Co., spent a few days in the city last week. In conversation with a CLAIM man he spoke as follows:

"The growing volume of Atlin business is attracting attention and inviting the steamship companies to vie with each other in giving your merchants better and more extensive service.

"The action of the Bennett Lake & Klondyke Navigation Co. in offering to facilitate the delivery of merchandise in Atlin by paying the railroad charges and customs duty at Bennett is commendable and investigation shows this company's action to have been in good faith, as their representatives while in Skaguay were invited to be present at a meeting of the Skagway Chamber of Commerce and assist in devising ways and means for the development of Atlin district business.

"It is safe to assert that the Skagway Chamber of Commerce had no intention of furthering the interest of any separate steamship company but worked on the broad business platform of improving the Skagway-Atlin transportation service. And as the B. L. & K. N. Co. demonstrated their willingness to facilitate this service by advancing about $125 per ton, securing only the small return of the Bennett to Atlin freight charges the chamber endorsed the arrangement.

"The B. L. & K. N. Co. have placed their s.s. Olive May on the Bennett-Atlin run and have contracted to transfer all freight by teams over the portage, making direct connections with the steel boats Elwood and Nellie from Taku to Atlin. All freight will be landed at the foot of Rant avenue.

"In the interests of the B. L. & K. N. Co. I have been in Atlin during the past week looking over the ground. I am well satisfied with the business outlook and am especially pleased with the courteous treatment received at the hands of Atlin merchants. The company will establish an agency in Atlin and install an agent, who will give the merchants dates of sailing, rates, etc.."

- THE -

Canadian Bank... ....of Commerce

Has moved to new offices

Corner Second and Pearl Streets.

THOROUGHLY EQUIPPED ASSAY OFFICE IN CONNECTION.

GOLD ASSAYED, PURCHASED OR TAKEN ON CONSIGNMENT.

Exchange sold on all the principal points in Europe, the United States and Canada.

When in Atlin stop at the

OLYMPIC HOTEL

First Street.

HEADQUARTERS FOR LEMP'S ST. LOUIS LAGER BEER.

A. BURKE, Manager.

JAS. CARROLL and CO.

Skagway, Alaska.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL MERCHANTS

Provisions, Fancy Groceries, Hardware, Clothing, Boots and Shoes

WRITE US FOR QUOTATIONS OR ORDER GOODS SENT C. O. D. PRIVILEGE OF INSPECTION.

The British Hostelry

LOG CABIN, B. C.

A full line of genuine first-class Liquors, Bass' Ale, Dublin Stout, Pommeroy, Victoria Lager, etc.

T. TUGWELL, Prop.

Government Assay Office.

The Vancouver Board of Trade gives notice that the government of British Columbia have established an assay office in Vancouver and that the banks and merchants will negotiate the certificates issued by the government assayer in charge, W. Pellew-Harvey, Fairfield block, opp. Post Office, Vancouver, B. C.

CHARLES E. TISDALL, President.
WILLIAM T. STEIN, C.A. Secretary.

British Hotel

Cor. First and Discovery.

Fine stock of genuine SCOTCH AND CANADIAN WHISKIES BASS' ALE, VICTORIA LAGER, AND STOUT, ETC. MITCHELL'S OLD HEATHER DEW AND IRISH WHISKY A SPECIALTY.

THOS. TUGWELL, Prop.

PINE TREE HOTEL.

DISCOVERY, B. C.

When you come to Discovery Take shelter under the TREE.

Finest of Liquors. Good stabling.

CHAS. R. OUBRIDGE, Mgr.

Good dining room run in connection—Meals at all hours.

MRS. C. H. LUCAS, Cateress.

$60 Reward.

Lost—A pocketbook containing $60 in cash and some papers of value to the owner only, somewhere in the neighborhood of Pine. Finder may keep the money, if he will return the papers. Return to Discovery hotel, Pine.

E. L. PILLMAN

FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND EMBALMER

Third and Discovery, Atlin, B. C.

Bodies Embalmed for Shipment a Specialty. Orders on short notice. All kinds of Funeral Supplies at reasonable rates.

THE NORTHERN HOTEL, FIRST STREET.

The biggest house in Atlin. Everything first-class. Thagard & Turney, Proprietors.

O. K. BATHS BARBER SHOP.

The baths are equally as good as found in cities. Side entrance for ladies.

LINK & PRATT, Props., First Street.

PRINCIPAL BATH HOUSE AND LAUNDRY.

Best Equipped Establishment in Atlin.

Lake Street, near Sawmill.

Applications for Land.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands and Works for a lease of five acres of land for garden purposes, commencing at a stake No. 1 near where a slough enters the north side of Pine creek and distant about one half mile from the lake, being 172 yards northerly from stake No. 1 and 140 yards westerly.

ROBT. GRIERSON.

JULES EGGERT

SWISS WATCHMAKER.

Has charge of government instruments. First street, Atlin. In Medical Hall.

NOTICE.

County Court, of Vancouver, Holden at Bennett.

County Court will be held at the town of Bennett on Monday the 14th day of August next, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

E. M. N. WOODS, Registrar.

GOLD HOUSE

PINE CITY.

Good Liquors, Good Wines and Cigars.

Beds and Meals a Specialty.

LETHERDALE & BURTON, Proprietors.

NOTICE.

On the 30th day of August, 1899, I will settle all accounts in connection with the International Hotel as conducted by Howe & Olson, Howe & Scott, and also the accounts of the freighting firm of Scott & Co. All accounts must be presented on or before that time. All the assets of the above mentioned partnerships are to be paid to the undersigned.

GEORGE B. SCOTT.

Atlin, Aug. 9, 1899.

The Claim is now prepared to do all kinds of Job Work.

PICKED UP HERE AND THERE.

Blackett & Co.—Paints, oils and varnish.

There are dogs to burn in Atlin, just now.

Medical Hall for fly paper.

Blackett & Co.—Fine tweed suits and pants.

Full Stock of Patent Medicines. Dockrill & Co.

Shipment of new goods just arrived at Medical Hall, First street.

Fine lot of confectionery, just arrived. Dockrill & Co.

Insect powder of all kinds.—W. R. Dockrill & Co.

Iron mortars for grinding quartz.—W. R. Dockrill & Co., the Leading Druggists.

New Goods at Cummings & Richardson's. Fine Tweed Suits, Boots and Shoes and Felt Hats.

C. S. Fechheimer, of Dyea, president of the Northern Trading and Banking Co., spent a few days in town.

Fresh Eggs, $14.00 per case. Potatoes and Onions $13.00 per 100 lbs., at Blackett & Co.'s Iron Store, First Street.

A ball will be given in McDonald's hall, in Pine City, Tuesday evening next, in aid of the fire protection fund.

Capt. Langley is walking around with an 9-ounce nugget for a watch charm, taken from the Victoria group on McKee.

FOUND—A pair of spectacles near Bank of Commerce. Loser may have same by calling at this office and paying for advertisement.

Church of England services will be held at corner Trainor and Third streets on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m., and at Discovery at 7:30 p. m.

On behalf of the horses we beg to thank the proprietors of the half way house for the drinking trough placed by the roadside on the way to Pine.

W. Rannie returned Thursday from a flying trip to Vancouver. He reports that city as being particularly active at present, but was glad to get back to Atlin.

Just received and for sale Custom Made Finest Dress Trousers, Fine Dress Shoes, tan and black, Silk Striped Negligé Overshirts. A small and select stock. Olympic Hotel.

The chief of police decided during the past week to put a stop to gambling in the district under his charge, with the consequence that all games in Atlin and Pine were stopped.

R. Campbell, of Allan & Campbell, shoe dealers, late of First street, but now of Discovery, came in from the Coast on Thursday and with him came a large freight order.

W. J. Gibbons, two or three claims below the flume on Willow, plucked from mother earth a nugget weighing 9 oz. 12 dwts. It was secured by the Pine branch of the Bank of Halifax.

As will be noticed by an advertisement in another column, a meeting has been called for this afternoon in the Gold Commissioner's office, to discuss the institution of a public school.

FOUND—A pocketbook with letters in addressed to A. H. Miller, on the McKee trail, on this side of Pine. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this advertisement.

Services will be held in the First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Discovery streets, on Sunday at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sunday-school at 2:30 p. m. Rev. John Pringle, B. A., minister.

Thos. Tugwell, of Log Cabin fame, has taken over the International hotel and changed the name to the British Hotel. He is making such interior changes as will ensure first class accommodation.

The Masonic Club at Discovery will hold their basket picnic at the falls of Pine Creek near Spruce Junction, on Sunday next, Aug. 13th, commencing at 11 a.m. All members of the order, with their friends, are cordially invited.

Judge Irving leaves this afternoon for Bennett, where he will hold County Court. The past two months' work has proved very arduous, but he has stuck to it closely, thereby disposing of a very large list of disputes in a very short time.

Ed. G. Garden, the well known architect, left for St. Louis, Mo., on Tuesday last. He will enter into partnership with a prominent architect of that city. While here he made many friends who regret his departure but are pleased to hear of his good fortune.

Here is a good anecdote from the Rev. David Macrae's booklet, "Highland Humor." Sometimes a ludicrous turn, altogether unintentional, is given to a sentence by the practice—common amongst Highlanders accustomed to think and speak in Gaelic—of interjecting the word "he" or "she" where the English does not require it—as, "the man, he's just away." A Highland minister was visiting a brother minister in the south, and was asked by him on the Sunday to take the afternoon service for him. The Highland minister earnestly declined, on the ground that he was accustomed now to preach in English, and might blunder. His friend, however, would take no refusal. The text taken in the afternoon was:—"The devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour." The Highland minister said he would divide the subject into three heads:—"First, Who the devil he was; second, Where the devil he was going; and third, What the devil he was roaring for." The effect of this announcement upon the congregation, and upon his friend the minister of the church, may be conjectured.

Tom Stewart, a C. P. R. employe in the only city in British Columbia, came in on Thursday and is quartered at the Kootenay. He is interested with R. A. Lambert in some properties on Pine, and no doubt will give Charley a few pointers as to how a claim should be worked.

Among the arrivals on Thursday's boat was R. Skinner, one of Vancouver's bright aldermen. Mr. Skinner is combining business with pleasure and incidentally looking into some hydraulic propositions in which he is heavily interested. He will remain for two or three weeks in the district and personally inspect the various creeks.

Frank M. Gardon, a brother of Ed. G. Gardon, the architect, arrived here from Dawson Tuesday. He brings the information that Dawson is extremely dull at the present time, there being very little work in progress there now. Good bench claims may be had at a very reasonable figure just now. A man with a little capital could make some good investments just at present, but it would be injudicious for anybody to go in there now if they have to depend on work.

THE RECORD OFFICE.

Statistics of the Placer and Mineral Claims Recorded.

Statistics are dry, but in this instance the figures are interesting to the people of this district from the fact that nearly every one here has added his little quota to the very large total. While it was to be expected that a very large number of placer claims are recorded, the fact that 371 mineral claims are on the books is somewhat of a surprise. The following data is supplied by the Gold Commissioner's office:

Vol.	Single Claims	No. of Groups	Claims	Total
1	159	7	27	186
2	94	—	—	94
3	94	7	22	116
4	100	1	5	105
5	102	—	—	102
6	73	3	13	86
7	85	7	43	128
8	93	5	21	117
9	98	4	22	120
10	98	2	7	105
11	93	3	20	113
12	97	4	23	120
13	96	1	4	100
14	93	6	23	116
15	79	15	106	185
16	99	1	2	101
17	97	3	15	112
18	88	13	106	194
19	93	6	26	119
20	99	2	15	114
21	98	4	24	122
22	91	5	19	110
23	95	4	13	108
24	94	8	32	126
25	84	10	67	151
26	99	1	10	109
27	98	2	6	104
28	87	13	46	133
29	100	—	—	100
30	91	6	42	133
31	94	4	14	108
32	101	—	—	101
33	97	6	18	115
34	100	1	7	107
35	95	2	10	105
36	88	11	44	132
37	97	4	25	122
38	95	5	16	111
39	96	6	24	120
40	97	3	16	113
41	95	5	27	122
42	98	1	4	102
43	80	18	69	149
44	87	8	39	126
45	101	—	—	101
46	103	—	—	103
47	94	6	56	150
48	114	3	21	134
49	96	4	31	127
50	95	3	12	107
51	93	7	37	130
52	94	5	13	122
53	162	38	226	388
54	94	10	47	141
55	82	21	89	171
56	75	17	99	174
57	108	2	5	113
58	90	3	22	112
59	113	9	33	146
60	95	3	9	104
61	94	4	24	118
62	92	5	14	106
63	90	3	13	103
64	94	2	26	120
65	87	8	27	114
66	94	5	17	111
67	94	11	35	129
68	91	4	17	107
69	41	3	15	56
Grand total				8,559

This does not complete the list, there being about 500 more records to be added to the above.

Mineral claims to date recorded, 371.

Placer bills of sale, agreements, etc., to date, 1,226. This does not include lay-overs.

THE GOLD ROYALTY.

Acknowledged to Aug. 3	5,610 ozs.
Six days ending Aug. 10	503 "
Total	6,113 ozs.

A large number of people took in the excursion up the lake on Sunday last and all expressed themselves as delighted with the trip.

THE ALASKA FLYER

65 hours to Seattle.

"S. S. HUMBOLDT"

Due at Skagway

Thursday, August 17, 1899.

Leaves Skagway every TEN DAYS for Seattle and British Columbia ports. Buy your tickets at the office of Pacific Clipper Line, Skagway.

W. H. TRIGGS, Agent.

—THE—

Merchants Bank of Halifax

INCORPORATED 1869.

PAID UP CAPITAL - - - - - - - - - - $2,000,000.00
REST - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $1,250,000.00

A general Banking business transacted. Gold Dust assayed and purchased.

Drafts issued and money transferred to any part of the world.

The First Bank to Open in Atlin.

A Branch has been opened in Pine City. Gold Dust Purchased.

W. A. SPENCER - - - Manager Atlin Branch.

P. BURNS & CO.,

Wholesale - and - Retail - Butchers.

CORNER FIRST AND PEARL STREETS.

Builders' Hardware, Miners' Supplies, Tinware, Graniteware, Etc., Etc.

TINSHOP IN CONNECTION.

THOS. DUNN
& CO. (Limited.)

FIRST STREET
ATLIN, B. C.

THE GRAND HOTEL

FINEST EQUIPPED HOTEL IN THE NORTH. EVERYTHING CONDUCTED IN FIRST-CLASS MANNER.

RICE & HASTIE, PROPRIETORS; DAVID HASTIE, MANAGER.

Corner of First and Discovery Streets.

Fred. G. White,

Mining Broker and Public Accountant,

DISCOVERY STREET, NEAR THIRD, ATLIN, B. C.

Placer and Mineral Claims reported on, and Bought and Sold.
All kinds of Mining Papers made out and Mining business transacted.
Partnership accounts adjusted. Books and accounts audited.
Sixteen years' business experience in British Columbia; four year's mining experience.

THE NORTH AMERICAN GREYHOUND

"WILLIAM OGILVIE"

HARRY OLLARD, Master.

The Fleetest Steamer on the Lakes.

Atlin City to Bennett City Every Monday, Wednesday and Fridays.

FARE—FIRST CLASS, $12.50, Including Two Meals and Berth.
SECOND CLASS, $7.50.

T. J. WATSON, Agent, Atlin City.
Office with T. J. Watson & Co., Mining Brokers, 1st bet. Pearl and Watson.

Nuggets Wanted

In exchange for the best gun in Atlin. Double barrel, breech loader; shot and rifle combined; short and light; canvas case; rifle and shot shells, and complete loading tools for each. Will allow $20 per ounce for nuggets for jewelry. Call at

B. R. Van Deusen's Carpenter Shop,
North First Street, Atlin.

NOTICE.

Parents with children of school age are requested to meet at the Government Agent's office, Atlin, on Saturday at 4 p. m. to discuss the subject of a school for children.

Particulars at meeting.

HOTEL O. K.

Choice Wines,
Liquors and Cigars.

First Avenue. WM. CUROE, Manager

—A—

DANCE

Will be held in

HOTEL DISCOVERY

Pine City,

MONDAY NIGHT, AUG. 14TH

To which you are all invited to attend.

Good music and a good time for all. Tickets $1.50.

ATLIN LAUNDRY.

Mrs. Hayes, Prop.

Mrs. Hayes left Thursday for Vancouver where she will engage two expert laundresses and purchase additional material.

Corner Lake and Rant.