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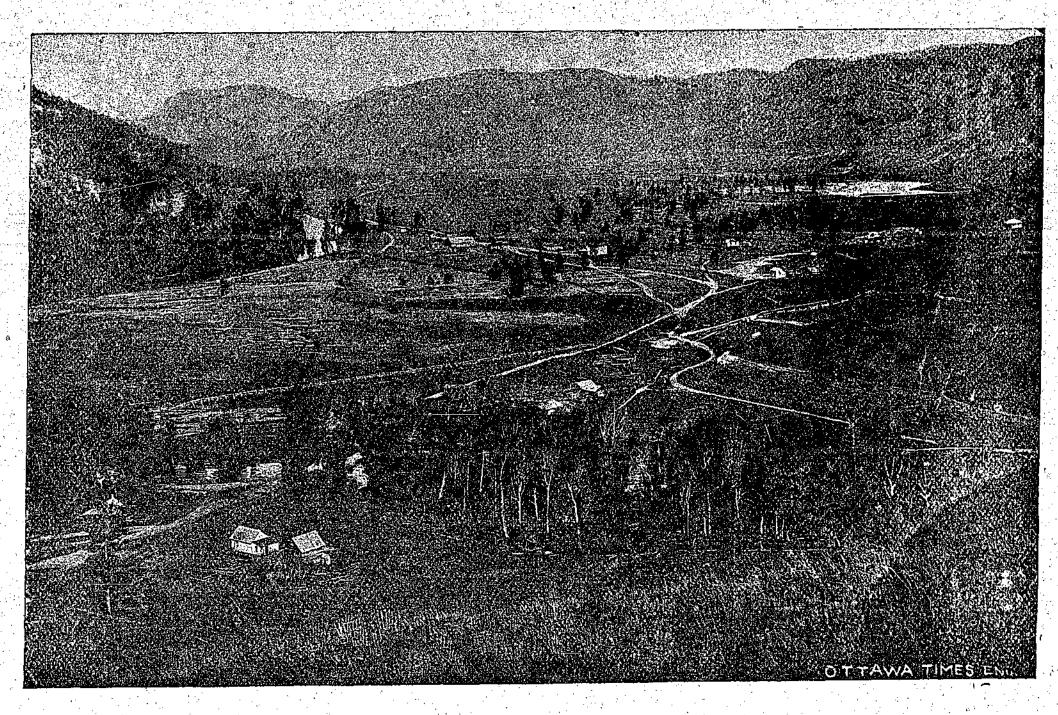
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TOWNSITE OF MIDWAY.

The beautiful flat owned by the Midway Townsite Company on the banks of the Kettle river was originally preempted by a settler named Eholt, nearly twelve years ago. In the year 1893 it was purchased by Capt. R. C. Adams, of Montreal, and others, and surveyed into town lots. Capt. Adams' account of how he came to call the town Midway is rather interesting: He says he puzzled for days thinking of a name that would be both suitable and catching. What he wanted was a name easy to pronounce and easy to remember, but to name a town is not so easy a task after all. Those who know Capt. Adams, however, also know that even in a matter of this kind he would employ original methods,—and he certainly did. He went straight through Webster's Unabridged till he came to the letter "M."—how long it took him he does not say—and "Midway" imme-

The advent of a saw-mill was a great day for Midway. Mr. Powers, one of the owners, can very amusingly describe the adventures his unfortunate boiler went through on its journey from Penticton before it was safely set in position and the first log sawn. The Boundary Hotel was next built by Mr. McAuley, and soon after the pretentious building known as Palmerston's hall was erected, the lower storey of which is occupied by Mr. McNicol, the pioneer storekeeper. Then we must not fail to mention that auspicious occasion when the "Advance," a paper formerly published at Fairview. was for the first time issued at Midway. In due time a blacksmith built himself a shop and forge, an assayer opened an office, a livery stable was erected, and carpenters were attracted to the new town. In 1895 several buildings were erected, including the government offices and lock-up; Mr. E. A. Hain, the postmaster, also opened a store for the sale of tobacco and fancy goods. During the present year



THE TOWNSITE OF MIDWAY, B.C.

diately struck his fancy. It was short and had a pleasing sound; moreover it expressed distinctly two ideas topographically and geographically correct: The town is exactly in the centre of the whole district, and is also the midway point between the Rocky and the Selkirk ranges. So the town was called Midway accordingly. Had Capt. Adams remembered the ill-omened words written by his fellow-countryman, the great Longfellow—

"MIDWAY so many ills appear,
That he who lingers longest here
Sees most of care."

He might possibly have gone on through the dictionary to "O." But then, happily, the worthy trustees of the town-site are not superstitious.

The first townsite agent was the late Mr. Palmerston, who worked energetically in the face of many difficulties in the interests of Midway. The building now known as the Lancashire House was built by him and cost nearly \$2,000.

two handsome houses have been built by the townsite company for the purpose of renting, and an office for Mr. A. K. Stuart, their agent. Recently a number of lots have been sold on building conditions, some of the purchasers having already complied with the requirements of their agreement and built neat cottages on their sites; others will follow suit in the course of the next few months.

The Midway Townsite Company was lately re-organized and capitalized for \$60,000, and the directors now evidently realize that the time has come when more energetic methods must be employed if Midway is to keep pace with the other towns of the district. Two schemes are projected for next spring which, if carried out, will assuredly benefit the place to a great degree. The first of these, to irrigate the flat and to supply water for domestic purposes by the construction of a ditch from Boundary creek, is of paramount importance, and it is surprising that this—the most essential

to make Midway a desirable residential spot—has been so long delayed. The project of building a wagon road through the Colville reservation to Curlew creek, and thence on to Carson, is also admirable, though it now transpires that the determination of the Indian Department at Washington to evict the white settlers from Nelson may affect the construction of the road.

At the present stage of the development of the Boundary creek district it is futile to predict what part the present established towns will play in the future history of the camp. One has to take into consideration the admitted callousness of railway companies to individual interests. At the same time there are few sites in British Columbia more favored by nature than Midway. While situated at some distance from the principal mining camps of Boundary, the roads centreing in the town are all down grade. There are mines to the right of it, mines to the left of it, and mines all around it, not to mention the large deposits of coal at Rock Creek. The townsite company are now corresponding with an American smelting firm with a view to the erection of reduction works at Midway.

ODD-FELLOWSHIP.

A meeting was held in the schoolhouse on Saturday evening for the purpose of taking some definite steps towards the organizing of an Oddfellows' lodge on Boundary Creek, As at former meetings Mr. Thos. Hardy, of Anaconda, presided, and to him is due in no small degree the successful outcome of the meeting. Voluminous correspondence was read by the secretary, and commented upon by members present. Finally five Oddfellows gave in their names as charter members of the proposed lodge, guaranteeing to raise the sum necessary to cover preliminary expenses until the instituting of the lodge. A committee was also appointed to select and purchase regalia, fittings for hall, etc. W. J. Harber was elected secretary until the installation of the elected officers, and was further instructed to write to the Grand Lodge for information on certain technical points. Any other members of the order residing in the district were invited to give in their names as charter members at a meeting to be held on the 2nd January, or to the secretary in the interim. It is expected that arrangements will be completed so as to hold the first regular meeting early in February.

Mr. Elkins has received instructions to strictly enforce the observation of of the health regulations in Greenwood and Anaconda. It is the intention of the authorities to have the sanitary arrangements of towns as near perfect as possible before spring.

A. D. WORGAN, (photographer,

GREENWOOD CITY.

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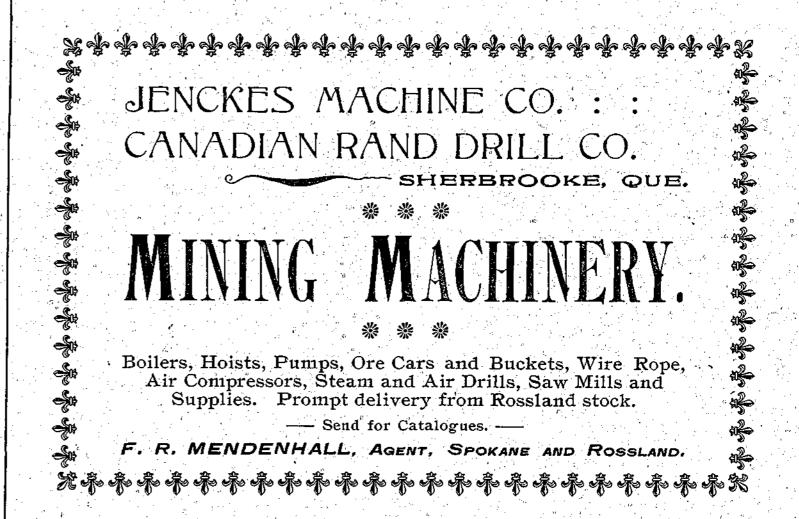
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Government Office, R.C. C. Osoyoos, B.C., Nov. 14th, 1896.



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NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

The Osoyoos, Jernon and Kettle River Mining Divisions of Yale District.

Claims legally held in the Osoyoos, Vernon and Kettle River Mining Divisions of Yale District are laid over from the 1st November, 1896, to the 1st June, 1897.

(Signed) C. A. R. LAMBLY, Gold Commissioner. Osooyos, B.C., Nov. 1st, 1896.

XMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT MIDWAY.

The entertainment given in Palmerston Hall, Midway, on Tuesday evening was distinctly in point of merit superior to any affair of the kind before attempted in the district. Evidently much pains had been taken in the arrangement of the programme, and the evidence of local talent was truly creditable. The comic element was well maintained by Mr. Sansom, whose ability to make himself supremely ridiculous is not to be questioned, and Mr. McIntyre. Both Mrs. Brown and Miss Haynes sang charmingly, and Mr. Rickards' recitation, "Spartacus to the Gladiators," was admirably delivered. "Truth" proved to be an amusing enough farce, the acting of Miss McAuley in the part of Bridget the "truthful" maid-of-all-work was especially good. If, however, it is permissable to criticise, it must be admitted that every one of the actors in the piece committed the fault so common to amateurs of turning the back to the audience. This is often merely an effect of nervousness, but it tells very much against the success of the acting. Again, why did Mr. Trimmer when he received the joyful intelligence that his passion was reciprocated by the idol of his affections, subside on a chair and look for all the world as if he had swallowed a dose of castor-oil? Miss Ruth, by-the-way, would seem altogether too cold and repellent a damsel to suit the requirements of any lover of a more ardent, disposition than a Mr. Trimmer. Nevertheless, the first effort of the Midway Dramatic Club is deserving of warm praise.

After Santa Claus had been introduced to the children, and refreshments had been served, the hall was cleared for dancing. The following is the programme in extenso:

PROGRAMME.	1 to
Quartette-"Eulalie". Miss Haynes	s, Mrs.
Brown, Messrs, McMynn and	d McNicol.
Solo-" My fadder's girl"Mi	. McIntyre
Recitation (selected)	Ir. Sansom
Solo-" I cannot sing the old songs'	•
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Mrs. Dowding
Recitation—"Spartacus to the gladiators" Mr. Rickards
Solo—"Father O'Flynn" Mr. Irwin
Recitation—"Hamlet's soliloquy"...Mr. Guess
Solo—"Miserere Domini" Mrs. Brown
Recitation (selected) Mr. Rickards
Solo—"Nancy Lee" Mr. McMynn
Recitation—"A little maid's Amen"
Miss Spurgeon
Solo—"Sweet Marie" Miss Haynes
Recitation—"The battle-scarred vet."
Mr. IrwinMrs. Dowding

"TRUTH."

Dramatis Personæ: Bridget Miss McAuley Mrs. Worldly Mrs. Lundy Miss Ruth Wordly Miss Haynes Mr. Twaddles Mr. McLaine Mr. Trimmer Mr. Stormer

Solo (selected) Mr. Sansom -Santa Claus. - Refreshments. -God Save the Queen.

CORRESPONDENCE.

GRAND FORKS, Dec. 21st. To the Editor, BOUNDARY CREEK TIMES:

SIR,-In your issue of Dec. 12th I see an article reflecting upon me as having done away with a certain petition asking for a road from Greenwood City to the mouth of Fisherman creek. No doubt you have endeavored to make it appear that I was trying to do something against Greenwood and all the country which the road asked for would benefit. The petition was handed me by Noil Hardy, who was driven. was handed me by Neil Hardy, who was driving stage at the time, and asked if I would put it where it could or would be signed by all who felt so disposed. I simply placed it on the desk in the Grand Forks hotel, where it remained for a day or two and was then taken to the post office where it remained until I saw your article. I then made enquiry of Mr. Perrine, book-keeper for Manly & Averill, who said it had been there since it first came to the office; no one had ever asked for it, and he did not know where or to whom it was to be sent. It seems to me that it would be no more than right for the one authorized to make such an attack as that made in your paper, to at least make known the supposed loss or making away of said petition before giving me the cheap notoriety your article has done.—Yours, etc.,

GEO. P. MIMMS.

[Surely Mr. Mimms did not peruse carefully the article to which he refers, otherwise he could not by any process of logical reasoning

deduce therefrom that he was accused of "trying to do something against Greenwood." A letter signed by T. McDonnell appeared in the TIMES of Oct. 3rd, stating that the document when last heard of was in Mr. Mimms' possession. We have on several occasions, in these columns, asked Mr. Mimms if he could throw any light on the alleged loss; receiving no reply we stated in our issue of 12th inst. that " to all questions relative to his knowledge concerning the whereabouts of the missing document Mr. Mimms has preserved a dignified and profound silence." Voila tout.—ED.]

Recent prospecting on the big ledge of the O.B., owned by the Boundary Creek M. & M. Co., has shown up very fine ore,—a mixture of zinc blende, galena and pyrites, running well in silver and having all the appearance of the high grade ore from the G.A.R. and D.A. This ledge is only one of three on the claim. Until this strike was made the O.B. was considered the least promising of the company's properties. Messrs. Sansom & Holbrook sold 6,000 shares of the company's stock this week at 10c. per share, and the probabilities are that the price will be doubled before spring. The company are now sinking a working shaft on the G.A.R. . Ore last assayed from this claim returned \$142 for all values.

CROWN GRANTS.—When applying for crown grants, request that the advertising thereof be published in THE BOUNDARY CREEK TIMES—the mining paper of the district.

Notice of Application for Private Bill.

Townsite of Greenwood City.

NOTICE

IS Hereby Given, that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act incorporating the inhabitants of the Townsite of Greenwood City, in the Osoyoos division of the district of Yale, as a Municipality, to define the limits of said Corporation with such provisions of the General Municipal Acts now in force tn the Province, and such other provisions as may be applicable, or necessary, or expedient; and with such further provision as will enable a vote to be taken at the time fixed for the first election to determine whether the affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the provisions of the Act of Incorporation, be managed by an Executive of three Commissioners or by a Mayor and four Alder-

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RETROSPECTIVE.

Fully ten years have gone by since the discovery was first made of mineral bearing rock in the district now known as Boundary Creek, but it is really only within the last three years—it would hardly be stretching a point to say within the last two years—that capital, attracted by the reports of the extraordinary size and value of the ore bodies that had been found in this outof-the-way corner of British Columbia, has been invested to any extent in developing the claims in the new camp. When, hardly two years ago, Rossland suddenly leaped into prominence, and prospects that had been condemned as valueless by profound and learned mineralogists gave undeniable evidence of becoming dividend-paying mines, Boundary Creek began to be considered more seriously. Mining men began to admit that if the future of the Rossland camp was so promising, it would be as well to investigate more fully the claims of Boundary to recognition. That was the beginning.

The summer of '95 was a busy one for the mining recorder, but this year the stress of work became so great that it was found necessary to increase the staff of government officials, more than as many claims again as discovered in the whole ten years preceding were recorded at Midway, from which time the more rapid growth and development of the camp dates

opment of the camp dates.

Taking all in all, the progress that has been made during the year 1896 is entirely satisfactory. Between March and September some 800 claims were recorded at the government office at Midway; the territory before unexplored has been opened up; and discovery of ledges of immense size on Pass creek and in Kimberly camp, and the rich finds on James creek and up the West Fork of Kettle river, are among the notable events of the year. Nearly all the better known or more developed prospects have either been bonded or sold within the last twelve months to operating companies. In Greenwood camp the Montreal & British Columbia P. & P. Co. purchased the Gold Drop, after thoroughly proving the property; the Old Ironsides and the Knob Hill were bought by a wealthy syndicate last summer and development work is now in progress; the work done on the Monarch and on the Snowshoe while the claims were under bond was quite satisfactory; and the work that has been carried on this year on the Stemwinder by Messrs. Farrell & Midgeon has increased the value of the mine ten-fold.

In Skylark camp the Skylark mine was first bonded and then sold.

In Providence camp the Combination claim was sold and development work upon an extensive scale is being carried on. The Boundary Creek M. &. M. Co. also acquired eight properties in this camp and have commenced work.

In Long Lake camp the Vancouver Prospecting Syndicate have obtained control of the Denaro Grande and the Jewel claims, and it is stated that a stamp mill will be erected in the vicinity of these claims next spring.

In Deadwood camp the Mother Lode, under bond to the Boundary Mines Co., is being thoroughly exploited, and the Sunset has been recently bonded at a good figure.

In White's camp the No. 7, under bond to the Boundary Mines Co., is a most promising property. Work on a large scale is shortly to be commenced on the St. Maurice group, and the City of Paris and Lincoln, bonded to Mr. Heneage, an English capitalist, are being developed:

In Smith's camp the Non Such, Republic and Last Chance were purchased by the Republic Mining Co.; and in Summit camp the Keough Mining Co. acquired seven properties, one of which—the R. Bell—is being developed.

The population of the district has at least doubled itself in the past year and the towns on Boundary creek have made a marvellously rapid growth. Some 300 town lots have been sold in Greenwood alone since March last, among the purchasers being Mr. Bealey, the well known banker of Rossland, who intends to establish a branch bank in the town next spring, and the Bank of Montreal, business men in Eastern Canada, on the coast, etc. From two small log cabins erected last Christmas, there are now nearly fifty fine business buildings alone, nearly every trade being represented in the town. Anaconda, in December last, had not even been plotted as a townsite; to-day it is a larger town than Midway, whose growth is from a much earlier date.

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An occasional correspondent writes from Keremeos to THE TIMES as follows:

The prospects ahead of this section are remarkably promising, and that in the near future there will be a great mining camp established on the Simil-kameen is no longer a matter of mere conjecture. Without a single exception every claim upon which development work has been done to any extent has a satisfactory showing.

Sharp and Ed. Williams have run a tunnel on the Surprise lead for 50 feet, and are down 30 feet with the shaft. The ore is copper and iron sulphides, assaying as high as \$35 in gold, 10 oz. in silver and 20 per cent. copper. The ledge is three feet wide and well defined.

The Elkhorn will probably one day rival the Rossland Le Roi as a producing mine. The ledge on this claim has been crosscut for 80 feet, and as yet no hanging-wall has been reached. The ore is what may be called low-grade, averaging \$15 for gold and silver values and 7 per cent. copper. There is, however, a paystreak 12 feet wide of clean copper sulphurets, that runs \$68 in gold and silver to the ton and up to 23 per cent. copper.

Eight miles south of Camp Couteney three claims were recently located in what is known as Joe Hunter Camp. The ore here appears to be very highgrade, specimens having assayed up to \$80 in gold and 30 per cent. copper.

New locations are being made every week in Camp Couteney, and the other day a character of ore new to the locality was found near the river. We were somewhat astonished when some of this ore, which looks like a black sulphide or it might be an oxide of tin, assayed \$10,000 in gold to the ton. Samples have been sent to the Government Assay Office at Victoria, and I shall therefore be able in my next letter to give you a more accurate and a more scientific account of what the ore really is.

Mr. Coulthart, the leading merchant here, discovered a short time ago what I believe to be one of the largest bodies of low-grade sulphide ore, judging from surface showings, yet discovered in the Province. The outcroppings have been traced clear across the claim for the full 1,500 feet. Five locations have been made upon this lead, the ore from which averages about \$6.50 to the ton for gold values.

We are about to emulate the example of other mining camps and plat a townsite. A corner lot on Main Street will be deeded to THE TIMES in recognition of its eminent services to the district.

At Fairview, which is only nine miles distant from us, quite a "boom" is now in progress, claims being bonded and sold every day. In fact—

To hear of a tale
Of a big deal or sale,
No longer excites much attention:
Though "wild-cats" not Dier (?)
Between Fairview and here
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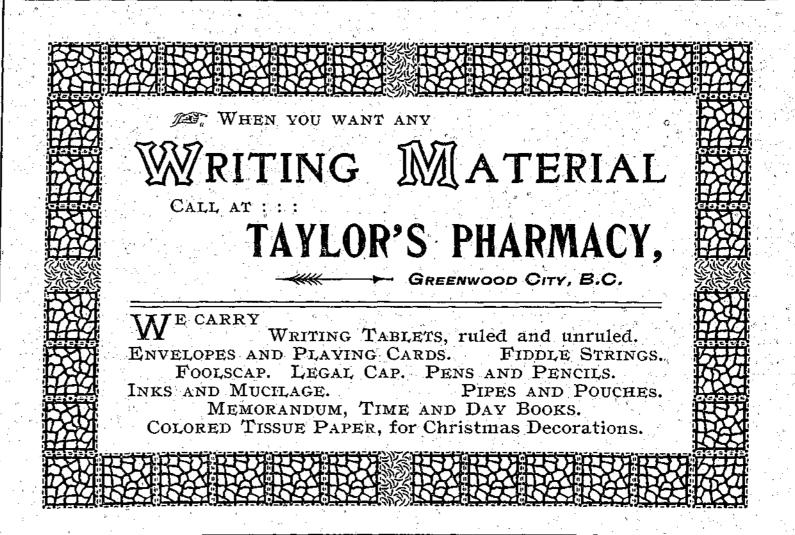
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GREENWOOD AND VICINITY.

Summonses have been served upon the men driving the rig which collided with Murray's wagon last week, when Mrs. Murray was injured. The case will come up at Midway on Monday.

An enjoyable dance was given at the Windsor hotel on Friday evening. Dancing commenced at 8 o'clock and was kept up until early morning, to the accompaniment of a banjo and two violins. An acceptable meal was served in the dining-room at midnight.

Plans have been prepared by Mr. A. B. Hart for a large hotel to be erected on Government street next spring for Mr. Robt. Wood. The design is somewhat similar to that of the Kalemalka, at Vernon, and in material and furniture will be thoroughly modern and first-class. A corner has been selected north of The Times office.

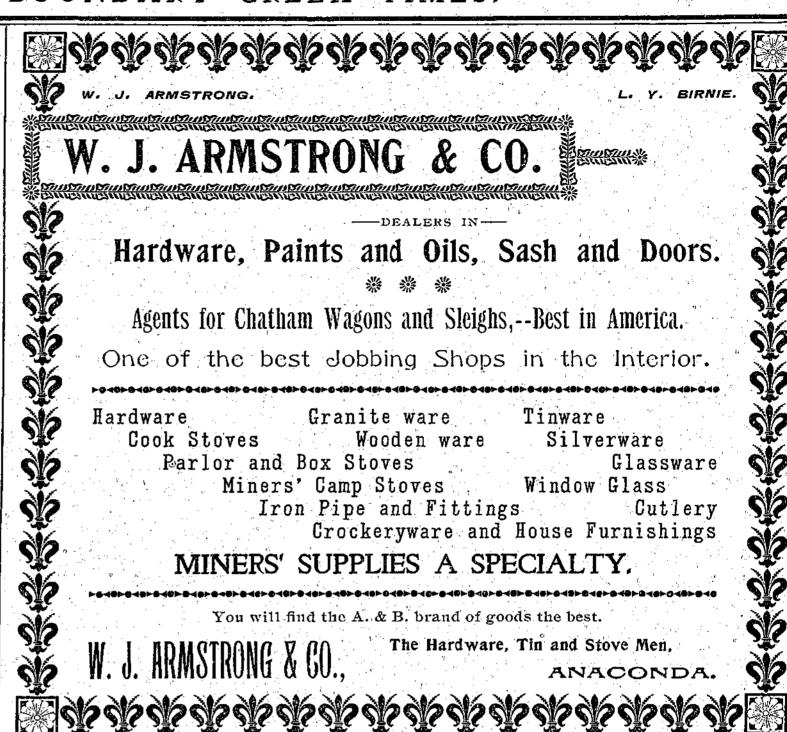
Mr. Robt. Wood has deeded a lot on Government street to Messrs. T. Miller and Powell, as trustees for the local branch of the Masonic Order, as a site for a hall. A lodge of this order will shortly be organized at Greenwood. Mr. Wood has also promised a lot for the Oddfellows', hall, the location of which will be decided within the next few days.

Constable Elkins went over to Grand Forks on Wednesday to arrest a man called Lee Warner, who is accused of forging Mr. O. Dillier's name to a cheque for \$42, for which he obtained the equivalent in currency from Mr. H. McKee, of the Pioneer Livery Stable. Warner is a painter by trade and was recently employed by Mr. Dillier. After cashing the forged cheque, Warner borrowed a horse from the stables, saying that he was going to Grand Forks and would return next day. The forgery was discovered on Tuesday.

Through the disinterested kindness of Mr. R. Powell, who made it his business to solicit subscriptions, a family by the name of Luarck residing in Greenwood in a state of destitution, were relieved this week from absolute want. The father is an elderly man, incapable of performing heavy work. He recently took up a pre-emption on Rock creek, but obtained a livelihood during the autumn months by selling milk; this source failing from his inability to provide feed for his cows, he was left without means of support for his wife and family. With the money so liberally subscribed provisions were purchased sufficient to last some weeks.

Mr. Ezra Meeker, known as the "hopking" of the state of Washington, who visited the district towards the latter end of last month, was so pleased with what he saw and heard of Boundary that since his return home he has organized a company whose object will be to develop and work mines in this province, but more especially in this district. The stock of the company has been taken up and paid for in full. Mr. J. C. Haas has been asked to accept the appointment of consulting engineer for the company here. Mr. Meeker is a member of the "fourth estate," being one of the largest share-holders in the Tacoma "Ledger" to the columns of which he is a constant contributor. In the "Ledger" of the 9th inst. he gave a very appreciative and pleasing account of his visit to Greenwood.

The crosscut at the 130-foot level on the No. 7 has been driven for 90 feet. Very soft rock was struck this week and rapid progress is being made.



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[Edited by "Anaconda."] J., Midway.—Will you kindly answer the following questions through your enquiry column: (1) What is platinum worth per oz.? (2) Where is the chief supply obtained?—Ans. Platinum is worth from \$6 to \$14 per oz. according to its purity. The purest platinum is found in the Ural mountains, Russia, and is worth \$14 per oz. that obtained in California and Oregon being worth about half the price of the Russian platinum. Platinum has also been found in the Similkameen.

W.M.—I own a half-interest in a mineral claim on the Colville Reservation, located June 3rd, 1896. My partner states that we do not have to do our assessment until before the 1st of January, '98. I contend that the work must be done before the 3rd of June, '97. Please decide the question for us. Ans. Your partner is correct. You are not obliged to do your first assessment until Jan. 1st, 1898.

Mr. H. Preston, erstwhile employed as assayer on the Gold Drop by the Montreal and British Columbia P. & P. Co., is now at Gaylord, Montana, and is one of the owners of a claim adjoining the Mayflower mine which is shipping 30 tons of ore a day. Mr. Preston writes to a friend at Greenwood and says that when the weather was at its coldest a week or so ago, with the thermometer at 30 below zero, he was living in a tent and had both his ears and his nose frozen.

Mr. Herbert Cuthbert, western manager of the British-Canadian Gold Fields E. D. & I. Co., stated the other day at a special meeting of shareholders in Toronto that the two Boundary creek properties he had purchased for the company exhibited much the same showing as the best Rossland claims. The company also own four claims on the Colville Reservation, assays from which went from \$47 to \$75 from surface rock.

Mons. Gire, representing the French syndicate operating in Central camp, proposes to treat his ores by an electrical process. He asserts that ore can be treated so inexpensively by this process that he will be entirely independent of railroads. Mons. Gire is negotiating with Mr. Douglas and his partners for the Mabel, Oro and Cornucopia claims in Central camp.

TENDERS WANTED.

ENDERS will be received by the undersigned until January 15th, 1897, for the construction of an Irrigation Ditch and Flume from Boundary creek to Midway flat.

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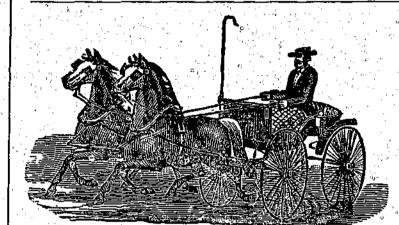
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MINING NOTES.

Mining records are held over till next week.

Mr. S. S. Fowler, M.E., came in from Nelson on Tuesday's stage, going on to Camp McKinney to inspect a claim there for the company he represents.

It is necessary to correct the statement made last week with regard to the Silver Bow. Mr. H. A. Guess was credited with having assayed rock from the claim. He did not.

Messrs. Olson and Inkster are working on the Juanita, an extension of the Crescent in Skylark camp. They found some very good quartz last week, but not in formation; after sinking a few feet, they started on a new shaft two hundred feet higher up the hill.

The shaft started last week on the Iva Lenore, in Deadwood camp, one of the properties of the British-Canadian Gold Fields Exploration Co., is well under way. At a depth of 12 feet a well defined vein 12 inches wide was discovered, and shows indications of widening. The vein is quartz, with copper pyrites.

On Wednesday Mr. J. C. Haas, E.M. acting for the British-Canadian Gold Fields Company, purchased from the lessees, Messrs. C. S. Galloway and G. A. Rendell, the Ethiopia in Long Lake camp. The price asked for the claim was \$3,000 cash. The Ethiopia is considered a good property being on the same lead as the Jewel and Denero Grande. It is the intention of the purchasers to proceed with the development of the claim at once.

From the records of the Mining Recorder's office at Midway it is learnt that Mrs. Garland has bonded her one-eighth interest in the Jewel claim, Long Lake camp, to Mr. F. B. Smith, acting as agent for the B. C. Prospecting Syndicate. By this bond the syndicate obtain full control of the Jewel claim, and they have lately obtained the control of the adjoining property, the Denero Grande. The consideration of this transfer is \$6,000; \$500 down, 20 per cent. in six months and the balance in ten months.

After sinking the shaft on the Old Ironsides to a depth of 70 feet, Messrs. Marshall and Rumberger have decided not to proceed with the contract, which was to take an 8x4 shaft down 100 feet, unless the price originally agreed upon is increased. Water has been pouring into the shaft so rapidly and the rock has become so hard that to continue the work under existing circumstances would mean a serious monetary loss to the contractors. The matter has been referred to Mr. H. White, local manager for the company.

ANACONDA NOTES.

The Commercial Club met in their new hall, a large and comfortable room in the Wilson block, for the first time on Wednesday. It was decided that the club give a dance shortly in the hall, making a small charge for tickets merely to cover expenses.

Great preparations are being made for the ball and entertainment to take place next month. No less than 240 yards of bunting are being used for decorating, besides flags innumerable. Supper will be served in the Palace hotel at midnight on New Year's Eve.

J. Lucy returned from Rossland this week, accompanied by two mining

men who are looking over properties in this district.

A letter has been received from Mr. Bennett stating that he will be obliged to prolong his stay at Spokane, as his dentist informs him that he must undergo an operation for the removal of a portion of his jaw which is honeycombed from the application of a drug that he had been in the habit of using to relieve toothache.

Messrs. Shepuster and Fox returned from a trip to Curlew creek on Wednesday, bringing back with them some very fine specimens of ore.

The man Wardner, "wanted" for forging O. Dillier's name to a cheque, has succeeded in evading arrest by crossing the line.

Mr. Dan. McLaren, of Carson, who is suffering from a severe attack of influenza, is being nursed at the Greenwood hospital.

THE TIMES extends the compliments of the season in all sincerity to its distinguished circle of admirers, at the same time the management of the paper would be infinitely obliged if delinquent subscribers—plural number, masculine gender, in case of possessing—would have the goodness to pay up.

Printing, as we do this week, two days ahead of date, reports of the ball at the International and the children's entertainment are postponed till next week.

A large assortment of Christmas and New Year's cards at Taylor's Pharmacy, Greenwood.—Advt.

Mr. T. Hardy, proprietor of the Palace hotel at Anaconda, has given Mr. G. A. Ford permission to place his barber's chair in the office of the hotel. Mr. Ford is now ready for customers.—ADVT.

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