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public carefully attended to.

## NICKEL PLATE CHANGES HANDS

British Columbia's Leading  
Gold Mine No Longer  
Owned by Daly Estate

LE ROI EST MORT VIVE LE ROI  
Bullion Output About \$2,500,000.00 In  
Less Than Five Years Operation  
With Only Forty Stamps.

Last week was a momentous one for Hedley. An air of expectancy marked the early days of it, for it was generally known in town that the first payment on the Nickel Plate bond was to be made on August 15th and after that date it would be known who should control the future destinies of a mine that in so short a period of production has become British Columbia's "greatest producer of gold alone." But with the week end, when the rails of the Great Northern were reaching the flat upon which the works are situated the fiat had gone forth to get ready for taking over the mine and works and a general clean-up was in progress with Mr. T. Walter Beam on hand to take it over, the exercise of the option to purchase taking effect on Thursday, August 12th.

About a year ago M. K. Rodgers made a somewhat hurried but never the less thorough examination of the mine to ascertain what was left in sight after an interval of some three years extraction of ore without further development having been done since he had given up the management in the early autumn of 1905.

There is evidence to substantiate the conclusion (although it has been denied) that he then obtained an option on the property on the basis of what he had found in sight.

There is also good reason to believe that the option was transferred to Mr. T. Walter Beam and his associates very shortly afterwards, for it was only a little later on that Mr. Beam came in and made a brief personal examination of the property.

Early last spring, however, the formal option given to the Exploration Syndicate, of New York, who have now bought the mine was exercised in earnest, and if ever a property received a rigid examination and testing at the hands of men who thoroughly understood what they were doing and how to go about it, that property was Camp Hedley's premier mine, the Nickel Plate.

That the deal has been consummated and the property is again in the hands of thorough mining men, is a matter for congratulation. What may be the policy of the new "powers that be" will not likely be known for some time, but bit by bit it will unfold and meanwhile the townspeople will await developments with confidence, for thus far, in the new owners they have had evidence of thoroughness and breadth and these are the attributes that are best calculated to inspire confidence.

To prevent disappointment, however, it will be as well to recognize the fact that it will not be run as any eleemosynary institution, but solely as a business proposition and for what is in it. When level-headed men of affairs buy a business, that is what they buy it for. That they should have plans matured for future working is not to be expected at this early stage and, hence operations are going on for the new owners with the old crew unchanged.

At this juncture a little retrospect of the Nickel Plate will be apropos. Only eleven years ago, Wollaston and Arundel staked the ground upon which they gave an option to M. K. Rodgers two months later. Mr. Rodgers was employed at that time by the late Marcus Daly to look up properties for him, getting a quarter interest in anything he found good enough to buy. Development work began in January 1899 and before the bond had expired all the money (\$60,000) was paid down which was evidence that the merits of the property and of the camp appealed to Mr. Daly who was a thorough mining man. It has been claimed that Mr. Concluded on Page Four.

## TO VISIT THE APEX

New England Stock-holders in the  
Colonial Gold Mining Co. Coming  
Out This Month.

A party of a dozen or more New-Englanders who are interested in the Colonial Gold Mining Co. are expected at the Apex about the last week in August. They are taking in the A. Y. P. and will combine business with pleasure by making an excursion into British Columbia to see their holdings here.

It is gratifying to all property holders in Camp Hedley to know that outside capital is now looking our way; and doubly gratifying to know as well that when these gentlemen come they will see in the Apex group a property that they have been most fortunate in getting hold of.

## C. P. R. AS COLONIZERS

Steps Taken to Induce Settlement in  
Southern B. C.

(Greenwood Times.)

The Canadian Pacific Railway company are offering land for sale in Southern British Columbia for the low price of \$5.00 per acre and to induce settlement in this section of our great province, of hardy, thrifty pioneers, they have made the purchase price payable in eight yearly installments, thus giving the settler time to improve his land and make it pay for itself.

The Company have recently issued two books of very complete information regarding Southern British Columbia, and British Columbia generally—its history, climate, resources, industries, etc.

Maps on which are shown in pink the lands for sale by this department, and copies of this regulation governing the sale of land in the Columbia and Western and Columbia and Kootenay Land Grant with application forms—agricultural and timber,—for these railways and the B. C. Southern.

It will be noticed from the regulations that "First-Class Lands, suitable for agricultural purposes in their present condition or which are capable of being brought under cultivation profitably by clearing or which are wild hay meadows" are offered in quarter sections (100 acre tracts) for \$5.00 per acre, payable one-eighth down and the balance in seven (7) equal annual installments. That is 62½ cents per acre each year or \$100.00 down and \$100.00 per year for seven years for 100 acres—total \$800.00.

Should the settler select land with timber on it (no part with an average extent of more than 3000 feet board measure per acre for C. & W. lands, or 5000 feet per acre for B. C. S. & C. & K. lands is classed as agricultural land) he would be required to pay only \$2.00 per thousand feet for the merchantable timber on the land. All the remainder that he uses on the place—for houses, barns, fences, fuel, etc. is free.

These lands in varying localities are ideal for general, mixed truck, fruit dairy or stock farming as the case may be.

The development of Southern British Columbia has been very rapid during the last few years, and the settlers in this country to-day can no longer properly be termed pioneer. Good towns and cities are now frequent along the lines of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the land offered for sale is much of it near these towns, where good schools, churches, banks, and all kinds of stores have been established.

The simple facts are that the pursuit of agriculture in Southern British Columbia is favored beyond many other sections of Canada and the United States by the natural conditions which exist. And when the price at which the Canadian Pacific Railway is willing to sell these lands is taken into consideration, there is small chance of any other lands yielding a better return on the investment. What the Canadian Pacific Railway desires to offer is land so low in cost compared with its yielding capacity that those who investigate carefully cannot but decide in favor of Southern British Columbia. The railway is in a position to sell land at a nominal price for the reason that it is primarily a transportation company and relies for profit from the sale of the land mainly on the transportation of the products raised on the land.

## AN ACCOMPLISHED FACT AT LAST

The Great Northern Railway  
Track Now Links Us  
With Outside  
World

FRIDAY 13th 1100-000 NO MORE

Work Trains Tooting Daily on Smelter  
Flat—Bridge Gangs at Work on  
Twenty-Mile Trestle—Railway  
Freight Teams Now Load on Smelter  
Flat.

Contractor D. M. Stewart, chief of the steel and bridge crews, is evidently bound to carry out his programme. He was due to reach Twenty-mile trestle on August 15th and in spite of many drawbacks was there ahead of time.

In last week's issue it was announced that the track would be on Smelter flat that night. It reached the grade opposite the saw-mill that evening when they ran out of rails and the train had to go back to Keremeos for more. They were also laboring under the disadvantage of shortage of men. The crew has never been fully manned since the work started up in June, and last week about a dozen men quit work, and thus weakened they didn't manage to lay rails on the flat that day, but did so early in the forenoon of Friday 13th.

Majuba Day was for twenty years a day of ill-omen in the history of the British Colonial office, but it was made to mark an event of greatest triumph when Cronje was crushed on the anniversary of Majuba and the light of Krugerism and misrule began to wane in South Africa the land of gold and diamonds and a better day came in. Thus also for Hedley the leading gold camp of British Columbia, the fated Friday 13th, saw the accomplishment of an event for which everybody has waited long, and with it in time will come the greater Hedley.

Last week all the bridge gangs working farther south finished up their work and were concentrated on the Twenty-mile trestle which was expected to keep them engaged for ten days. The timber in it will require 43 carloads and it will take some time to handle all that.

Work trains have been busy bringing up loads of bridge timber and piling which is being unloaded at the lower end of Smelter Flat where the siding will go in from which the spur to the mill will run. This lower siding will be used until the track can be laid across Twenty-mile into the station yard and after that the side-tracks in the station yard will be used. The boarding cars were moved up on Saturday from Bradshaws to the siding on the lower end of smelter flat.

## FORT WILLIAM STRIKE

Bullets Were Flying in Collision Between  
Strikers and Special Constables.

On August 12th a battle royal occurred between the Canadian Pacific special constables and the strikers. Shots flew thick and fast and eight men were wounded. The trouble arose when the special constables tried to return to their work after lunch, the strikers refusing to let them go back to their posts. One of the constables pulled a gun and then the trouble started and guns appeared as if by magic. The police fired and a man dropped. In a second man appeared from every doorway and a fusillade of revolver shots was directed at the Canadian Pacific police. As far as can be ascertained, eight of the C. P. R. police were wounded, three of them fatally, while at least three of the strikers were hit by the bullets of the police.

The wounded were, as far as can be ascertained: Sergt. Taylor, city police force, slight; C. M. Dickenson, Daily Times Journal, slight; Chief of Canadian Pacific Police Ball, seriously in the abdomen; C. Carpenter, knee broken; Jack Lane, slight. Dickenson is a well known newspaper man. The militia was called out to suppress the trouble.

## THE FIRE ESCAPE LAW.

Some of the Provisions of the Law Which  
Has Been in Force in B. C. for  
Fifteen years or More

In order that the public may understand what is now required for the protection of guests in hotels, rooming houses or other public buildings, the following clauses in the Fire Escape Act are reproduced:

4.—(1.) The keeper of every hotel shall, where the same is more than two stories in height, provide and keep in each of the sleeping apartments or bed-rooms which are situated above the ground floor, a fire escape for the use of guests occupying the same.

(2.) Such fire escape shall be sufficient within the meaning of this Act if it consists of a rope not less than three-quarters of an inch in thickness, and of sufficient length to reach from the room of apartment in which it is kept to the ground below, and of sufficient strength to sustain a weight of five hundred pounds, and is kept in a coil or other convenient position in each of the said bed-rooms or sleeping apartments, and if the outside window or opening of such sleeping apartment or bed-room is provided with proper, secure and convenient fastenings or appliances to which one end of the rope may be safely secured or fastened.

7. In case the owner, lessee, or proprietor of any hotel or public building, shall neglect to observe any of the provisions of this Act, he shall be liable on summary conviction to fine for each offence of not less than twenty dollars and costs, nor more than two hundred dollars and costs; and in default of payment of such fine and costs to imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for any term not exceeding three months and not less than one month, and such conviction shall not be a bar to a prosecution for any continuance of such neglect subsequent to such conviction, but such continued neglect shall from time to time constitute a new offence.

8. In all cases where the hotel, or public building, is situated within the limits of a municipality, it shall be the duty of the chief officer of the fire department for the municipality, or, if there be no such officer, then for the chief of police or head constable for the municipality, to take all necessary proceedings to compel compliance with the provisions of this Act; and in all other parts of the Province the like duty is hereby imposed upon all Provincial police constables.

9. The officer required by this Act to see that the provisions of this Act are complied with is hereby empowered from time to time, at any time between the hours of ten a. m. and four p. m. on any day except Saturday or Sunday, or any holiday, to enter into and inspect any occupied hotel or public building within the purview of this Act, and shall have access to all parts thereof; and any person who shall wilfully obstruct such officer in the performance of his duty hereunder shall be liable, under summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars and costs, and not less than twenty dollars and costs, and in default of payment of such fine and costs to imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for any term not exceeding three months and not less than one month.

## FOR IMPERIAL DEFENCE

Uniform Training For All Troops—Military  
Colleges to Be Established  
in the Dominions—General  
French Coming to  
Canada.

London, Aug 13—A great homogeneous imperial British army, uniformly trained and equipped, is to be the outcome of the imperial conference on the naval and military defences of the empire held at the foreign office during the latter part of July.

In general terms the plan provides that all troops of self governing colonies shall undergo precisely the same training as the home regulars in order to be ready to take their places beside the latter whenever and wherever necessity may arise. Military training at colleges, along the lines of the staff college at Camberley are to be established in the overseas dominions and there is to be a continuous interchange of officers from all parts of the empire so as to insure absolute uniformity of organization and training.

In a recent speech outlining the probable strength of the army of the empire, war secretary Haldane estimated that the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa could furnish a total of 46 divisions. This is equivalent to 23 army corps, which is the strength of the German army.



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and  
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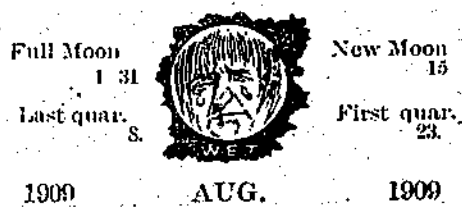
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charge. For changes oftener than once a month  
the price of composition will be charged at  
regular rates.

Changes for contract advertisements should  
be in the office by noon on Tuesday to secure  
attention for that week's issue.

A. MEGRAW, Managing Editor.



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Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

**THE LESSON OF THE FIRE**

The Vernon fire with its lamentable loss of life is another reminder of the necessity of paying more attention to the matter of fire escapes. The Fairview fire of seven years ago and the number of lives sacrificed therein pointed out very plainly that it is one thing to have a law on the statutes looking to the protection of the public, and quite another thing to have it enforced. At the inquest held in Fairview after the burning of the hotel there, the coroner jury added a rider to their verdict in which they pointed out that the law governing the use of fire escapes should be amended so as to provide for inspection of hotels and enforcement of the fire escape law, and yet there was at that time a liquor license act in force which provided a license inspector whose duty it was to inspect all licensed houses, and the "Fire Escape Act" itself stated as plain as words could say that all provincial constables were inspectors under the law and responsible that its provisions were carried out. "Quis custodiet custodes" was a sage bon mot of the old Romans, but anyone who will read the Fire Escape Act in existence in British Columbia to-day and then look about him to note the manner in which it is carried out, will perceive that the irony of that old latin proverb is as applicable with us to-day as it was in Italy over 1900 years ago. Our fire escape law requires that a stout rope securely fastened at one end to the window or wall and long enough to reach the ground be kept in each bedroom; but how many of our worst fire traps to-day have them? When the Fairview hotel was burnt and six lives were lost, many of the guests had to choose that night whether they should run the risk of being killed by jumping from upstairs windows or remain where they were to be burned to death, and all the excuse that could be offered by

the proprietor for non-compliance was that the bedrooms had been thus provided, but the ropes had afterwards been stolen to be used as picket ropes. Should such a flimsy excuse be allowed to go for a minute? But which after all was the more culpable—the hotel-keeper who disobeyed the law or the constable and inspector who neglected their duty in the premises? What is needed in civil life is a little more of the precision of the military machine with its chain of responsibility which when the facts are known will show at a glance, where the blame lies and deal with it accordingly.

No amendment to the present Fire Escape Act should be necessary to secure its enforcement unless it be that the penal clauses should be made to extend to officers who neglect to enforce as well as to owners of public buildings who fail to comply with its provisions.

**EDITORIAL COMMENTS**

The Glasgow free traders are objecting to the Canadian bounties on the manufacture of iron and steel. These bounties cut no harder against Great Britain than any other country in the world. And yet Great Britain opens its markets as freely to every country in the world as it does to Canada. Under the circumstances there does not seem to be any ground for the grumble from Glasgow.—Citizen.

Now that the Hon. Charles Murphy has returned to Ottawa after his trip through Western Canada it is interesting for westerners to note some of the impressions which he formed, or at all events which he gave out to easterners, on his return. One or two things stand out in bold relief. He claims to have found that the west is apathetic on the question of Imperial defence and as incontrovertible evidence to this effect he had heard a man say that they "want box cars, not dread-noughts." It is often said that a man usually finds what he starts out to discover, and evidently Mr. Murphy was anxiously in quest of some of that commodity. It is not possible that what he really did discover may have been only a reflection of some of his own apathy or antagonism? As a pedlar of hot air his statement that Port Arthur and Fort William combined is shortly to develop into the largest city on the American continent, is a pretty good sample. It is questionable whether Hedley's most optimistic romancer could do much better than that.

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**County Court of Yale**

SITTINGS of the County Court of Yale will be held as follows, viz: At Fraternity Hall, Hedley, on Thursday Oct. 7th, 1909; and at the Court House, Princeton, on Saturday Oct. 9th, 1909 at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon of each day. By command.  
HUGH HUNTER,  
31-10 Registrar County Court.

**NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Colonial Gold Mining Company, alone, is responsible for all debts contracted by it in its present development work of the Apex Group of Mineral Claims.  
W. D. McMILLAN.

**METEOROLOGICAL**

The following are the readings showing temperature, etc., for the week ending Aug. 14:

AT THE MINE.

	Maximum	Minimum
Aug 8	—	—
9	—	—
10	—	—
11	—	—
12	—	—
13	—	—
14	—	—

Average maximum temperature —  
Average minimum do —  
Mean temperature —  
Rainfall for the week inches.  
Snowfall " "

CORRESPONDING WEEK OF LAST YEAR

Highest maximum temperature	80.
Average maximum do	72.85
Lowest minimum do	40
Average minimum do	44.71
Mean do	58.78

AT THE MILL.

	Maximum	Minimum
Aug 8	90	54
9	84	48
10	78	47
11	83	51
12	86	57
13	92	54
14	92	54

Average maximum temperature 86.42  
Average minimum do 52.14  
Mean do 69.28  
Rainfall for the week inches  
Snowfall " "

CORRESPONDING WEEK OF LAST YEAR

Highest maximum temperature	89
Average do do	86.42
Lowest minimum do	54
Average do do	55.71
Mean do	71.06

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**NOTICE**

"WATER ACT, 1909."  
ATTENTION is called to section 192 of the "Water Act, 1909," which requires any person to whom any power or authority has been granted, pursuant to the "River and Streams Act," to surrender such authority within one year of the passage of said "Water Act," and receive a licence for same thereunder.

RED J. FULTON,  
Chief Commissioner of Lands,  
Lands Department, Victoria, 19th July, 1909.  
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Labor Day  
Celebration**

**MONDAY & TUESDAY  
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**NOTICE**

SIMILKAMEEN LAND DISTRICT.  
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TAKE NOTICE that Henry Lee, of Fairview B. C., secretary, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the north-east corner of Lot 619, thence south-westerly and bounded by said Lot 619 to Lot 27S, thence in a south-easterly direction and bounded by Lot 27S, to Lot 73S, thence north-east to Lot 143, thence north-west bounded by Lots 44S, 57S and 412 to point of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less.

HENRY LEE

Dated at Fairview, May 28th 1909. 21-10



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# A. J. KING & CO.

**A. F. & A. M.**  
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## Town and District.

Gov't agent Hunter, of Princeton, was in town last week.

Ore has been struck in the Argo tunnel at Greenwood.

The Bruce mine at Midway is shipping ore to the smelter.

Miss Keefe, of Nelson, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. H. Rotherham.

Labor Day celebration promises to be a hummer. Everything looks that way now.

Hedley's colored population increased three hundred per cent. in one day, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Boeing returned on Tuesday from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Bawerman at Osyoos Lake.

A company has been incorporated with capital of \$100,000 to put in water supply in Pentiction.

H. R. Robbins, M. E. and W. J. Forbes came in from the Apex on Friday last, returning Saturday morning.

Mrs. S. P. French, who has been visiting her son in Hedley for the past month, left yesterday for her home in Vernon.

Mrs. Jackson started for Spokane last week accompanied by her daughters, Emily and Annie and her son Gus.

Messrs. Brass and Boeing finished up their contract on the Keremeos school on Saturday and have turned out a tidy job.

The lateness of the Pentiction stage in reaching Keremeos has resulted in delaying the mail stage in Hedley for several nights past.

Mr. A. J. Werner, of Butte, Montana, came in last week to visit his half-brother, Paul Bordhagen, whom he had not seen for 28 years.

The rails being laid by the Great Northern on the V. V. & E. are direct from the rolling mills at the Canadian Soo, and are a heavy, substantial-looking commodity.

Mrs. H. B. Brown has the Gazette's thanks for handsome bouquets of sweet peas, poppies, nasturtiums picked from her garden across the river from Mr. Lyon's place.

Mr. Hunter representing the Vancouver World arrived in town on Monday. He had a scheme on hand to give the Similkameen a four-page write-up in a special issue of the World.

School will re-open on Monday next with Miss Macpherson of Vancouver in charge. Miss Macpherson has had considerable experience in good schools, and should make a success in Hedley as well.

A. K. Anderson was among the lucky pullers at the Couer d'Alene land drawing last week. His chance was No. 489 which was considered to be easily worth over \$5000. Paul Brodsgagen also had a look in on No. 2100.

John Love received a wire on Monday to the effect that a man named Maguire, whom he had employed in his drug store in Phoenix, had been drowned on Sunday in Loon Lake. No particulars were to hand as to how it occurred.

Prof. W. C. Butler, tonsorial artist, opened up a barber shop in E. D. Boeing's building two doors north of the Bank of B. N. A. The shop is equipped with good bath-room, and the barber comes with a reputation of being a skilful workman.

Mr. Bradshaw has a fine bunch of 2 year old peach trees that are in splendid condition and not one of them injured by the severe frost of last winter which proved so destructive to peach trees all through the Okanagan and lower Similkameen.

Jas. Reith's Hedley friends were pleased to meet him on Monday last when he came to town in company with his son, Bert. He has gained 20 pounds since he got back to the Similkameen, but he has room yet to take on some more tissue before he is back to his old form.

From all reports to hand it begins to look as if the \$150.00 prize for rock drilling is going to bring out a number of good teams. There is talk of Rossland, Greenwood and Nighthawk all being represented, and the Nickel Plate and Kingston of Hedley Carap will each have teams.

Unlimited power is always dangerous when held by one or a few men. Crazed with power a capitalist will crush labor into the mud. Crazed with power labor will harass and pinch capital until it drives it off the earth. Few men can handle power without getting nutty in the upper stope.—Ledge.

The big Greenwood-Phoenix tunnel is in 240 feet, and work has been suspended until machine drills can be installed. The foundation for the compressor building was laid this week and when it is finished and the machinery put in the superintendent expects to progress towards Phoenix at the rate of 15 feet a day.—Ledge.

The Harris Bros. Minstrel Co. gave a nigger show in an old time circus tent for two nights last week. Their admission fee of \$1.00 for the first night was laughed at afterwards as a cheerful piece of neck. They took in Princeton on Friday night and passed through again on Saturday on their way to the Okanagan.

Mr. W. C. McDougall, of Princeton, was in town on Monday night on his way to Keremeos and made the Gazette a pleasant call. Mr. McDougall has extensive mining interests in the Similkameen both in coal and metalliferous mines and the coming of the rails means a great deal to him. If all owners of mining property in the district were as enterprising and persevering it would bear fruit in gaining for the district the attention from capital which it deserves.

The Princeton Star complains of some knocking of Copper mountain which has recently been done in a Colorado publication. The knocker, like the poor we have always with us. Hedley had the same thing to contend with and but for the fact that there is two million and a half of bullion output to give the lie to pessimistic howls, the knocking might have done serious injury. As it is, however, all the knocking that has been done has served only to establish a reputation for mendacity on the part of the knocker.

On Monday's round of the golf links S. F. Chamberlain chopped 4 points off the former record of 82 for the 12 holes which has been equaled by four others, but never beaten until now. This score is 2 to the good on an average of five shots per hole, which in view of the fact that no work whatever in the way of levelling or sodding has been done on the "putting green" shows very steady playing with a reasonable modicum of luck going his way to help out. Next day he repeated the operation and went it one better; so the record is now 57.

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**NICKEL PLATE CHANGES HANDS**

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Daly's plan for reduction, was by means of a smelter. As to the truth of this we are not prepared to say, and neither do we know whether it was before or after his death that a mill was decided upon. One thing, however, may be stated, (but not necessarily in disparagement of anyone else), that with the going out of his life there went out also the genius for mining and that grasp of mining affairs so essential to success on the part of those who supply the smelters of war for the carrying on of great mining enterprises. It is true his estate continued to supply the money necessary to develop the mine and equip a reduction plant and there is no wish to detract in the slightest degree from those responsible for its management the credit that is justly due them for sticking to the enterprise in the heavy expenditures made before it was brought to the producing point.

As it was Mr. Rodgers who first spied out the land for his principal, so also it was upon him the task fell of taking nature in the rough, and employing, where he could, nature's laws to fit in for a system of economical winning of values from the ore. Whether that work was done to the best advantage in every particular, let those judge who are capable of judging. There is an old motto which says "L'Art est difficile; la critique est aisee." So it would seem in Mr. Rodgers' case, and there are those coming after him who find their time and energy so much taken up in criticism of his work that they have had none left to alter it, but keep on using the equipment pretty much as he left it, and have not done so badly with it either, when we consider the total output which it has accomplished to date, viz: \$2,500,000 in bullion.

That the plant is considerably short of what it would have been both in extent and efficiency had Mr. Rodgers' plans for betterment been carried out, there is good and sufficient evidence. That evidence, moreover is official, inasmuch as the Mines Department of the province of British Columbia become sponsors for it as will be seen by a perusal of page 1189 and the following page of the Mines Report for 1905.

It is very rarely indeed that the metallurgical problem of any new type of ore is solved without costly experiments which the owners have to bear, yet that was done by Mr. A. H. Brown, chemist at the works during M. K. Rodgers' time, who attained practically the same extraction with the plant at hand as the best that has been done since by following his methods. But more important still, the experiments with the slimes carried on by Mr. Brown from March to July, 1905 fully described in the report above referred to, pointed the way to a further saving of the sorry waste that has been going on ever since. The plan at that time decided upon to stop the heavy losses in the tailings was to regrind them in tube mills after they left the vanners and before they were cyanided.

The wonder is that the Mines Department being cognizant of that waste did not step in to prevent it inasmuch as they were interested to the extent of the two per cent royalty which was being lost to them; and while they might not perhaps be justified in dictating to an operating concern as to what equipment should be used, yet they would be quite within their rights and only acting in the interests of the public whose servants they are supposed to be, by insisting that the tailings be at least impounded with a view to recovery of the values from them at some future time as was being done before the advent of R. B. Lamb, in October 1905, instead of allowing them all to escape into the river and be forever lost, which has been the practice now for nearly four years.

That the relations between the town and the old company have not always been as cordial as they might have been was regrettable, and no one felt it worse than the Gazette which was compelled to occupy the uncomfortable position of buffer between the two. There were faults on both sides, for often the townspeople or at all events a section thereof, were at times unreasonable, while tactless managers on the other hand seemed to delight in maintaining a policy of pin-pricks, preferring to irritate when it would have cost no more and been quite as easy to placate. The most fertile source of irritation was the practice of knocking other interests in the camp, and this was unfortunately done in season and out of season, and often with absolutely no knowledge of the interests that were being knocked.

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