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IN CAMP HEDLEY

Many Properties of Undoubt-
ed Merit that are yet to
be Heard from.

DEVELOPMENT ON THE KINGSTON GROUP

Large Bodies of Mispickel Ore in Various
Parts of the Camp—Bright Prospects
for Those who have stayed with
Twenty-Mile.

A group of claims from which a great deal is expected in the near future by the people of Hedley is the Kingston group, owned by the Kingston Gold and Copper Mining Company, which is incorporated under the laws of British Columbia. The company is capitalized at a million shares of one dollar each, with 300,000 shares of treasury stock which is still untouched. The stock is held principally by capitalists in Quebec, and the money already expended on development has been supplied by them; but, like many other investors, they prefer to see better transportation facilities and greater activity generally in the district before much more outlay is undertaken. Messrs. P. Scott, A. B. Clabon and F. M. Wells are also holders of promoters' stock, and the latter has taken charge of the development to date.

The company's properties consist of four claims, the Kingston, Metropolitan, War Horse and Grand View, containing 110 acres. They are situated on the steep mountain side above the town, on the trail to the Nickel Plate. So steep is the hillside at the point on the Kingston claim where the greatest amount of development work has been done that it has been necessary to put in cribbing to get sufficient level ground to build the necessary houses for accommodation of the men.

The mode of occurrence of the ore bodies here as elsewhere on the mountain is along or adjacent to the line of contact formed by eruptive belts of andesite cutting the sedimentary rocks, which latter are highly metamorphosed and along the contact forming the gangue. The outcrop of the Kingston deposit would indicate a vein of generous proportions, and if this line of well-marked outcrop be the true strike, crosscuts at various points would show a width of 30 feet or more. No. 1 tunnel or adit has been run in for a length of 125 feet. On the dump was a quantity of ore heavily mineralized with arsenical pyrites, and carrying also chalcopyrite and pyrrhotite. The occurrence of a copper chute in a vein of arsenical ore is said to be unusual in the camp, but does occur also in some of the claims of the Nickel Plate group. An attempt had been made to hold all the ore coming from this tunnel, but the dump had broken away and gone down the steep hillside into the gulch below. About a carload which remained on the top showed a good deal of the ore to be almost solid sulphides, principally mispickel, and said to give for an average value of the dump, eleven per cent. copper and \$10 in gold. The buildings in course of erection are only a few yards from this tunnel and at the tunnel mouth is also a simple and effective device for ventilation by means of a small furnace built of stone. About 75 feet above is No. 2 tunnel, which has been run in about 30 feet; at the mouth of this tunnel is an ore dump held by cribbing. There is about 50 tons of it claimed to average \$27.00 in gold, the ore being of much the same character as that below. This tunnel was run on the foot wall. Still further up the mountain is a cross-cut, showing greater width of belt of ore; some 50 feet of this is well mineralized, and 10 feet in the centre of it looks particularly well, and is claimed to average across the whole 10 feet as high as \$42.00 in gold. Another drift above has been started, showing ore in the face that is claimed to run \$22 in gold. At intervals, prospect holes along the outcrop beyond these would tend to show the strike of the vein corresponding with the drifts below, and fair assay values are to be found in all of them. Higher up the mountain than the Kingston comes the War Horse mineral claim, and considerable surface prospecting has been done

with encouraging results. The other claims of the group were not visited.

[The GAZETTE, not having an opportunity to visit other claims in Camp Hedley, will take the liberty of using a portion of a write-up by Mr. Geo. E. Winkler, which appeared in the B. C. Mining Record of August last.—ED.]

Above the Kingston adjoining it are the Rollo and War Cloud claims, belonging to P. Scott and E. D. Boeing. These claims have similar showings to the Kingston, exposed mainly by open cutting, and carrying about the same values.

The Clinax and I. X. L. claims are located in the same vicinity and belong to Mr. Geo. Cahill, J. F. Campbell and M. K. Rodgers. On the I. X. L. a 3-foot vein has been stripped for 300 feet, which runs \$40 in gold.

Below the Kingston are the Toronto and Galena claims, owned by P. Scott, on which a large body of ore has been traced for 1,000 feet or more. It appears to be a parallel lead to that on the Kingston, though of greater extent and lower in grade, averaging \$7.50 to \$8.00 in gold and copper.

Up the Twenty-Mile a short distance on the Duffy group, are some fine showings of yellow copper in a lime dyke. A considerable amount of development work has been done on these claims, and where the greatest depth has been reached by tunneling, it is noticeable that the copper values decrease while the gold values increase. The matrix also changes with depth to rock of an andesitic character. Assays taken from the face of the longest tunnel show \$18 in gold and copper. The surface croppings of ore are from 70 to 80 feet in width and the dyke in which they occur can be followed for 1,500 feet or more.

Some distance above the Duffy group and nearer to the Nickel Plate is the Red Mountain claim, owned by Brod-lagen, Murphy and Green. This claim has a surface showing of ore running from \$2 to \$15, which is exposed for between 700 and 800 feet, and is over 50 feet in width. A large number of open cuts have been made in ore of a massive nature, containing pyrrhotite, iron pyrites, arsenical iron and chalcopyrite. The property is well situated for economical working as it could be explored entirely by tunnels. The lead is a conspicuous landmark, appearing at a distance as a big red band across the face of the steep mountain side.

Near the Red Mountain is the Windfall claim, owned by Geo. Cahill et al, which has a large showing of ore on which a tunnel has been driven.

Between the Windfall and the Nickel Plate, Jos. McDermott and E. Tennesen have recently uncovered a fair-sized vein running \$40 in gold on their claim, the Edwin Fraction.

Adjoining the Nickel Plate group on the north is the Humming Bird group of four claims, owned by J. J. Marks. A 25-foot shaft has been sunk and several open cuts made close to the Nickel Plate line, exposing a large body of ore and giving assays as high as \$28.00 in gold. Sufficient work has not been done as yet to satisfactorily determine either the extent or grade of this promising showing.

On the Snowflake group, also belonging to Mr. Marks, a tunnel has been driven 100 feet on a vein of arsenical iron from which good assays are obtained.

Probably the most attractive of the undeveloped properties in the camp is the Golden Zone group owned by Marks, Brod-lagen and Murphy and situated four and a half miles north of the Nickel Plate mine. The claims in this group were located on a 4-foot vein of white quartz running \$5 to \$15 in gold and silver. In tracing this lead by shallow shafts and open cuts the locators discovered what at first appeared to be two separate veins running in the same direction and differing from the white quartz in that they carried great quantities of arsenical iron. Later work, however, would indicate that the largest of these arsenical showings is in reality a continuation of the white quartz vein, the lead having widened to fully 20 feet and improved greatly in grade. The smaller vein is clearly a parallel one and at its eastern end assays from \$30 to \$120 in gold and \$1.00 in silver, for a width of four feet averaging between \$80 and \$90. The two veins are within 70 feet of each other. The arsenical showings are over

Continued on last Page.

The Nickel Plate School.

The Education Department has shown commendable promptness in negotiations with regard to opening of the new school at the Nickel Plate. Mr. Chas. Joyner, the Secretary of the Board lost no time in notifying the Department that all things were in readiness, and in doing so intimated to the Superintendent of Education that the Nickel Plate Board would be pleased to have him procure a teacher for them. He received a reply to the effect that qualified teachers were very scarce in the province at present and advising the steps to be taken to procure one. By the same mail also there was received an application from Miss K. Johnson of Victoria, who is the holder of a second-class certificate and trained in the provincial Normal School. This lady had evidently been advised of the vacancy by the Superintendent, and in all probability the Board will lose no time in accepting the application, as she comes well recommended and may soon be engaged elsewhere if notice of acceptance does not reach her promptly.

Thawing Powder.

Andy Jensen, well-known in Camp McKinney, where he was blacksmith for the Cariboo until they shut down, was blown to pieces at the Mineral Hill mines by an explosion of dynamite which was being thawed at the stove in the blacksmith shop. He was well known in the Boundary, where he had valuable mining interests in Deadwood Camp.

KEREMEOS NOTES.

F. W. Groves is taking levels on the Coulthard ranch with a crew of men.

For the past week the weather has been settled. Just enough frost to make ice for skating.

A hockey club has been organized, and unless the disabled list claims all our members we expect to have a strong team. So far, none of the accidents have been fatal, honorable scars and bruises being the only things visible; some of the latter invisible.

A correspondent writing from Keremeos says that on Saturday last Mr. Harry Tweedle, of the hotel, while attempting to cross the Similkameen river with a team to Webster's lumber yard, met with an unfortunate accident. It appears that he was unaware of the proper crossing and failed to thoroughly test the ice, with the result that his team suddenly disappeared from sight in deep water. His repeated and lusty shouts for help soon brought assistance from the ranch and those working near by, among whom were Messrs. Peterkin, D. Campbell, H. Leir, Brown, Moyes and J. Fraser Campbell. He was found to be in a serious fix, both horses being nearly exhausted and himself in imminent danger of being dragged in after them. The current at this point is very strong and the horses struggled desperately to get a footing. Ropes were quickly secured and one horse was extricated more dead than alive. The other in the meantime had become jammed by ice at the lower end of the hole, his head being kept up by one of the party. Though finally hauled out he died shortly afterwards.

Truly the position of a correspondent to a weekly paper is no sinecure. Last week we had prepared a set of notes of which we were proud, dealing amongst other things with the lovely weather, stating that in our opinion the ice crop was a failure; that three dollars per hundred was freely offered for spring delivery; that one of our worthy farmers had been met on the road with his mowing machine and hay rake, and that generally everything in the garden was lovely. This was on January 30th. On January 31st the wind had changed and we had to deplore the total inadequacy of the present school, house as a shelter and wind break. With the present climatic conditions, ice, for summer delivery, declined to about two bits; by 1:30 p.m. (mail time) the sun was shining brightly and we were not sure whether it was Christmas or Easter. Result—doubt and despondency before we could make up our mind the stage had gone.

Lament of a Tenderfoot.

I'm all alone in the bush that covers Cariboo,
And no one but a tenderfoot knows half what
I've gone through.
I started out from Barkerville with pick and
pan and shovel
A month ago, and since that time I've met with
trouble but trouble:
At first my pack-horse manhandled ten leagues
from anywhere:
And then my sack of sugar was capsulowed
by a bear.
Next thing I cut my foot one day and had to
lay in camp
A week or two, till I once more was well enough
to travel.
At last I struck a splendid creek—course gold,
four bits a pan;
I set to work with vigor, but as soon as I began
To get my rocker working and to wash the sand
with care,
I saw a fellow watching with an interested air.
He didn't get excited or flurried—not a bit—
He simply came and told me that he thought
I'd better "git".
He'd got a prior mortgage on that "air bit" and
And didn't "want no partner"; he'd have me
understand;
So on I moved with weary heart and disap-
pointed dreams,
To seek for other diggings on some unpre-empt-
ed streams.
I travelled on for several days through weather
vilely hot,
But never could I come across another likely
spot.
I met with misadventure which ever way I
turned,
And wealth of toil and trouble was the only
wealth I earned.
Of placer mines I had my fill, I wanted them
no more,
And in my native greenness went to find some
native ore.
I struck a quartz vein bearing gold, and staked
it out in style;
I broke a huge chunk off it, which I packed for
many a mile.
With joy I eyed the precious lumps of gleaming
yellow gold,
And revelled in a future filled with luxury
until.
I lived in dreams of bliss until one day, I met a
man,
Who, like myself, was burdened with a shovel,
pick and pan,
I told him of my luck and showed my gold—
that great big lump;
He looked at it—and then at me—then said "you
silly chump."
"It's nothing but pyrites, and darned hungry-
looking truck;
"You'd better go right home to ma, if that's
your bally luck.
"She must be feeling quite consumed because
you are away."
With that he turned and left me, and never
said "good day";
So I'm alone in the bush that covers Cariboo,
And doubt if e'en a tenderfoot can tell what
I've been through.
R. H. P.

GENERAL.

A hundred or more fake inventions have been announced at various times for the extraction of gold from sea water where it is known to exist to the value of about half a grain per ton. Now comes the news from London that the question is solved and that no less a scientist than Prof. Ramsay has pronounced on its genuineness. In consequence of the tests made by Prof. Ramsay and others, the shares of the syndicate controlling the invention have gone up from £5 to £350.

A 25 ounce diamond has been dug out at Johannesburg, valued at something over two millions.

James Dunsmuir is a lucky man in having the C. P. R. and G. T. P. both after his E. & N. railway. It was reported last week that the sale had been made to the C. P. R.

Premier McBride has been appointed King's Counsel by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor. Messrs. R. W. Harris, C. B. McNeill, G. H. Cowan, J. H. Senkler, A. P. Luxton, J. A. Macdonald and H. A. McLean (deputy attorney general) have been accorded similar honors.

The outcry against the 2 per cent. tax on mines is being revived, but in view of the general increase on taxation less attention is being paid to the clamor than formerly.

FAIRVIEW ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambly returned home a week ago, having spent their six weeks' holiday on a tour of the coast cities.

Mr. L. W. Shatford and family left town last Friday en route for Victoria and his legislative functions. Mr. and Mrs. Shatford have taken a furnished house in Victoria and will remain there during the session.

It is said that Mrs. Ellis is to give a ball in Vernon early in March. It is also reported that Mr. Ellis is to give an old timers' dinner at Penticton.

The weather continues mild and sunny, the thermometer hovering around freezing point most of the time.

Mr. Geipel, the inspector of government offices, passed through here on Monday en route for Princeton.

Mr. Henry Main brought home his bride last week.

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A. MEGRAW,
Managing Editor.

New Moon Feb. 1.	Full Moon Feb. 19.					
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BE REASONABLE.

To "give the devil his due," is only one kind of fair play which even his satanic majesty has a right to expect, and if the factious oppositionists in British Columbia in the press and elsewhere wish to lay claim to any reputation for fairness they would do well to ask themselves whether they are carrying out that maxim in their treatment of the government at Victoria.

In spite of promises made and unfulfilled there are evidences that the administration at Victoria to-day is more of a business government than British Columbia has ever had. Compare the Lands and Works department of to-day and the despatch used in keeping up the work with that of the period when Mr. W. C. Wells or any of his predecessors were in charge of the department. Some crown grants both for pre-emption and mineral claims have been issued during the past summer in from three to four weeks after the application was made. Who ever managed to get one in less than five months during Mr. Wells' incumbency? In the Mines department also the mineral output for 1904 and other statistics of the department was ready before 1905 was ten days old. To secure a betterment of this kind a sharp stick must have been used with some of the old foggy sub-heads, whose services might have been dispensed with to the advantage of the service. So much for these departments, but in all probability it will be the Finance Minister's department where the greatest evidence of the introduction of better business methods will be found, and for the first time in many years, some attempt made to have revenue and expenditure maintain the relative positions which business men demand that they should maintain.

For the last thirty years, with the single exception of the year 1879, there has been the usual deficit to announce, until the finances of the province had reached such a state that we

were on the verge of bankruptcy. In such a case the merest tyro in finance knows that the only course open for a business government was to devise means to increase the revenue and at the same time cut off all expenditure that could possibly be made to stand over. To increase the revenue meant to increase the taxes. There was nothing else for it; but as soon as it was done, what do we find? As the B. C. Mining Exchange has it, we see "scores of agitated gentlemen in all walks of life, dancing like bears on hot plates before the assessment commission, shrieking agonized protests against any scheme of financial reform which shall require them to foot the bills run up by the extravagance and bad management at which they themselves connived." And here in the Similkameen we have a paper roaring at high taxes and in the same breath asking the government to establish a school of mines at Princeton—a thing for which the province, in its present financial condition, has no more use than a dog has for a pair of horns. Prospectors and small ranchers throughout the district should take note that whenever a paper for local selfish ends advocates frittering away public money on frills, it is doing the very thing that will prevent them from getting a grant for some sorely needed piece of road.

The Dominion Government has finally agreed to give the customary grant of \$50,000 for the holding of the Dominion Exhibition at Westminster this year. Strong measures brought to bear from Westminster changed the decision formerly arrived at. Now that the government has done its part it is up to all sections of British Columbia to do their's in making it a success. No sectional jealousy should be allowed to stand in the way. The Similkameen, and Hedley in particular, has a practical demonstration of the benefit to be derived from being represented there to even the smallest degree; for it was due to the fact that Wallaston and Arundel of the Nickel Plate in 1898 placed on exhibition some of the Nickel Plate ore that this property (then only a prospect) attracted the capital which has made it the greatest mine in Canada. Here is an object lesson to all owners of genuine mining property. The Westminster Exhibition in 1898 was only a comparatively local affair. This year it will be the Dominion Exhibition and British Columbia, as the greatest mining province in Canada, should make the mineral exhibit at Westminster this year the greatest mineral exhibit ever seen in Canada.

Trout Lake is frozen over and Trout Lake City and Ferguson are isolated. There is no communication for freight or supplies, except by the wagon road, and the merchants are very badly used. Bless their little hearts, what a trial it must be to have to eat and wear stuff hauled in over a wagon road. But they can get used to it like some of the rest of us. The Similkameen has been frozen up in the same way, both summer and winter for the last quarter of a century or more. They tell us that the C. P. R. and Jim Hill may begin to thaw us out next summer. Perhaps so.

LAND NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of second class land in the Osoyoos Division of Yale District, as follows: Commencing at a post planted 20 chains north of the centre of Section 24, Township 54, running thence 80 chains north, thence 20 chains west, thence 80 chains south, thence 20 chains east to the point of commencement.
Dated at Fairview, B. C., this twenty-sixth day of January, A. D., 1905.
4-1 D. M. McDUGALL.

LAND NOTICE.

TAKE NOTICE that 60 days from the date hereof I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land, beginning at a post on the south boundary of Lot 232 at Vaseaux Lake, thence south along the shore of lake 80 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 20 chains to point of beginning.
E. K. VENNOR,
R. VENNOR, agent.

Land Notice.

TAKE NOTICE that 60 days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the south half of N. W. 1 Section 33, Tp. 49, Osoyoos District.
Dated at Fairview, January 26th, 1905.
3-1 R. B. VENNOR.

NOTICE.

Certificate of Improvements.

SATURDAY Mineral Claim, situate in the Osoyoos Mining Division of Yale District. Where located: Camp Hedley.

TAKE NOTICE that I, H. A. Whillans, free miner's certificate No. B7823, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.
Dated this 30th day of January, A. D., 1905.
3-8 H. A. WHILLANS.

NOTICE.

Certificate of Improvements.

PITTSBURG Mineral Claim, situate in the Osoyoos Mining Division of Yale District. Where located: Camp Hedley.

TAKE NOTICE that I, R. H. Parkinson, as agent for L. W. Shatford, F. M. C. B2222, and W. F. Cameron, F. M. C. B2247, intend, sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.
R. H. PARKINSON.
Dated Dec. 12, A. D., 1904. 1-8

NOTICE.

Certificate of Improvements.

BOSTON Mineral Claim, situate in the Osoyoos Mining Division of Yale District. Where located: Camp Hedley.

TAKE NOTICE that I, R. H. Parkinson, as agent for W. F. Cameron, administrator of the estate of G. M. Stamp, Free Miner's Certificate No. B2247, intend, sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.
R. H. PARKINSON.
Dated Dec. 12, A. D., 1904. 1-8

NOTICE.

Certificate of Improvements.

STEMWINDER AND CHARTER OAK Mineral Claims, situate in the Osoyoos Mining Division of Yale District. Where located: Camp Hedley.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Charles delB. Green, as agent for M. K. Rodgers, free miner's certificate No. B7823, and George H. Child, F. M. C. No. B7815, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.
Dated this 23rd day of December, 1904.
1-8 C. delB. GREEN.

NOTICE.

Certificate of Improvements.

LORENIA, LION'S PAW, RENO, CANADIAN BELL, COPPER WORLD, FRANKLIN and ALBUQUERQUE SUN Mineral Claims, situate in the Osoyoos Mining Division of Yale District. Where located: In Camp Hedley.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Francis W. Groves, acting as agent for Horatio J. Dudley, free miner's certificate No. 5961, and T. D. Pickard, free miner's certificate No. 192365, intend, sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.
Dated this 20th day of January, A. D., 1905.
2-8 FRANCIS W. GROVES.

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Town and District.

Don't forget the Board of Trade on Monday night at 7.30.

Mr. H. S. Joyner was confined to the house for a few days last week.

Mr. F. H. French returned from Fairview on Monday.

China New Year began last Friday, and local Chinks are in the throes of a celebration.

Hedley bachelors are talking up a ball in the near future. In all probability a committee will soon be at work.

Vernon has organized a rifle association under the provisions of the Militia Act for a Civilian Association.

The slight, though sudden, dip in the temperature last week, following the long spell of spring-like behavior, is responsible for sundry indispositions.

L. W. Shatford, M.P.P., left for Victoria on Tuesday's boat from Pentiction to attend the opening of the Legislature which takes place to-day.

A townsite is being started at Larkin, on the S. & O. eight miles north of Vernon. D.R. Young of "air in motion" fame is rolling the ball.

The new 175 horse power engine for Daly Reduction Co.'s auxiliary steam plant arrived this week and is being put in place.

Until the ice crop is safely housed, there is always the danger that Hedleyites may have to take their "gin fizzes," lagers and sundry other decorations hot next summer.

Geo. E. Winkler, formerly of Hedley, has opened up a real estate and mining broker's office in Pentiction. All signs point to lively times on the opening of spring in the town at the foot of the lake.

W. J. Sitodgrass was in town on Sunday and went to Princeton Monday morning. In about a week or less the telephone instruments are expected to be in place and connection with the outside world established.

An intelligent compositor on the Vernon News made the good people of Pentiction hot by handing out too much cold to them. The Pentiction scribe wrote it "14 above zero" and the luckless compositor made it read "below zero."

A few of Mrs. A. Garrison's friends surprised her on Tuesday evening, candy pulling being the chief feature. Everyone had a share of taffy to pull, and at the last Hocking and Oliver had the most of it. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

The Ladies Sewing Circle of the Hedley Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. M. A. Greenhill. A pleasant afternoon was spent. Sewing was the order of the afternoon after which light refreshments were served. The "Circle" will meet with Mrs. Rodgers next Wednesday.

The meteorological department's thermometer, which is under the care of Mr. Brown at the Daly Reduction Co.'s office, took a severe chill last week, and has not since resumed business. Since then they have had to be satisfied with everybody's weather up there, the same as the rest of us.

Father E. Cl. Bellot, O. M. I., held mass in Hedley on Tuesday morning at the residence of Mr. A. McKinnon on Scott Avenue, when a fair attendance of the members of the R. C. Church were present. This is the first time that holy mass has been celebrated in Hedley.

The latest to join the ranks of newspaperdom in British Columbia is Martin Burrell, the talented nurseryman of Grand Forks, and conservative candidate in the last election, who has bought out the News-Gazette. D. McCallum will act as business manager of the paper. Newspaper work is not new to Mr. Burrell, who has contributed a great deal to leading papers on horticultural subjects.

The GAZETTE is blushing deeply because of the many kind and complimentary references from the provincial press. The district papers, city dailies and the technical monthly magazines have all been most kind in their reception of the new paper. Thank you gentlemen, all. The GAZETTE will try to merit the many encomiums. With only two mails a week and fifty-two miles removed from the nearest railway or steamboat point, it is working under disadvantages unknown to many of our contemporaries. For a few months the publishers will have to be satisfied with something far short of what they would like to turn out, but better times are ahead, and when conditions become more favorable better things may be expected.

Vernon Hockey team suffered defeat from Rossland at Vernon last week. Score was five to four.

A supply of paper which is twelve days late and not here yet is responsible for the Gazette having only four pages this week.

Outside advices indicate that the bond on the Horsefly on Nickel Plate mountain will result in vigorous development next summer.

A gang has been at work this week clearing the ice from the flume, which will enable them to secure a greater volume of water at the penstock.

E. A. Haggan has decided to suspend publication of the Okanagan Herald, which has been nominally published at Vernon and printed in Revelstoke.

Kelowna is not satisfied with a telephone service and prefers telegraph instead, to obtain greater secrecy as well as to be able to bind bargains, which do not hold in law over the phone.

A basket-ball match had been arranged to take place in the gym. last Saturday night, between the town and the Daly Reduction Co.'s works, but had to be abandoned on account of no electric current being on to supply the necessary light.

Mr. Chas. Greer, of Cranbrook, is stopping at the Commercial. He is looking over the district, and is very well pleased with Hedley and the Similkameen. It is to be hoped that Mr. Greer will decide to cast in his lot with Hedley and come in for his share of the good things in store.

P. Helstab had a narrow escape from serious injury in a fall off the scaffold of E. D. Boeing's new building on Tuesday morning. In trying to catch part of a roll of building paper which had been tossed to him he lost his balance and fell about 16 feet down among the joists. A severe shaking up was all the harm done. It is not often that anything of the kind comes his way as he is a careful skilled mechanic.

At the annual general meeting of shareholders in the British Columbia Record, Ltd., held at the company's office, Victoria, on Wednesday morning, 1st inst., Messrs H. Mortimer-Lamb, Thos. R. Cusack and E. Jacobs were elected directors for the ensuing year. Mr. Jacobs, who early in January succeeded Mr. Lamb as editor, was appointed managing director in place of Mr. Lamb who has retired from active work in connection with the Mining Record, though still retaining the position of chairman of directors. It is Mr. Jacobs' intention to change the date of publication of the Mining Record from the 1st of each month to about the 12th.

Rev. A. J. Fowle came down from Princeton on Sunday to hold his regular monthly service. On the second Sunday after the Hedley service he goes to Fairview which means a trip for him of 130 miles from Princeton and return. This shows the folly of having him located at Princeton to work a field with Fairview at one end and Princeton at the other. The ecclesiastical dignitary who laid out this field must either have a great head for local geography or had broken his ten-foot pole during the measuring process.

Development work is being pushed on the Lillooet properties recently bonded by Mr. M. K. Rodgers. Accounts all pass through the head office at Hedley, whence the sinews of war are furnished to carry on the campaign.

A contingent from Hedley attended the Bachelors' Ball at Princeton on Tuesday night. On their return they reported an exceptionally successful affair, forty couples being present, the music good and the management excellent. The Princeton committee of management must certainly have outdone themselves in making visitors at home, for the universal verdict was "they used us white."

The Phoenix Pioneer's mid-winter number is to hand. The publisher, Mr. Wilcox has done himself proud and performed a most valuable service for the Boundary District. The number is replete with statistics of the progress of mining in the Boundary, and is an eye-opener as to the enormous scale on which mining operations are being carried on there. The descriptive articles are all good and altogether this mid-winter number of the Pioneer is one that the publisher may well be proud of.

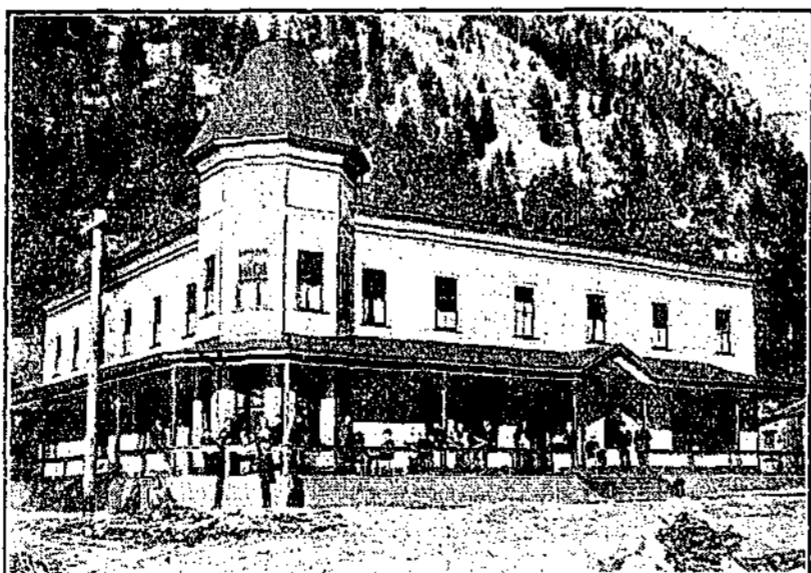
The Vernon News speaks of a movement in the upper country to have the telephone line extended southward from Kelowna connecting with Peachland, Summerland and Pentiction. That is exactly what we want down here in the Similkameen and Lower Okanagan. Our direct business interests lie with the upper Okanagan rather than with the Nicola. Here is work for the Okanagan Board of Trade, and they will find the Hedley Board of Trade ready to back them up.

The Friday Club held their last meeting at Mrs. Boeing's. This club is now thoroughly organized, and the members will be glad to have any ladies in the city who are interested in the discussion of literary topics join them. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Forbes at 2.30. Roll call will be answered by quotations from Lord Lytton, and the programme will consist of a Book Review 'Lucille' by Mrs. Forbes, with biography of Lytton and selected reading, 'The Apple of Life' from his works by other members of the club.

The ice harvest started in last week full swing, on the Similkameen river, but was suddenly stopped by a flow of water over the top. As February shin baths were not popular with the ice-men operations were temporarily suspended until a more convenient season. The ice was of good quality, and perhaps it would have been prudent to do a little winter fishing after ice blocks, however great the discomfort, for if this batch should go down stream there may not be enough frost left this winter to make any more.

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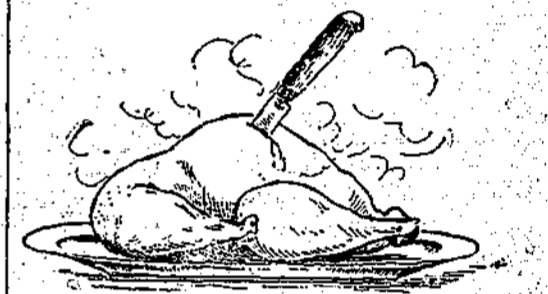
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The arsenical iron in these veins is of an extremely massive fine-grained nature and throws off a peculiar greenish stain which seems characteristic of this iron where it carries high gold values in Camp Hedley. When decomposed on the surface it is almost blood red in color, and a small quantity of this oxidized material washed in a gold pan shows a long string of fine colors. A sample of this oxidized ore taken from the 20-foot showing assayed \$87 in gold. Work has been confined principally to the surface, the deepest shaft being down 50 feet on ore running \$10 to the ton. This sinking was done before the finding of the richer ore further along the vein.

There is plenty of water for the operation of a large stamp mill close to the property; and the building of a road six or seven miles to connect with the Nickel Plate road from Penticton would render it possible to bring in machinery.

Four miles east of the Nickel Plate the Blue Diamond group of four claims has been staked by Jno. Lodge and W. McDonald on a 2 1/2 foot quartz vein in granite and porphyry. The ore shows azurite, malachite and chalcocite and is said to run between \$60 and \$70 in gold and silver. A tunnel has been driven 90 feet on the vein. The property is one of considerable promise and has the advantage of being within a few hundred yards of the Nickel Plate wagon road.

Between the Blue Diamond and the Nickel Plate are the Boston and Pittsburg claims, owned by the Stumps estate. The Boston has a lead bearing pyrrhotite and arsenical iron which is 150 feet wide and carries \$12.50 in gold. This property was bonded in May, 1902, by M. K. Rodgers for \$30,000 and about \$10,000 was spent on it, but the disappearance of the owner caused some difficulty and the bond was not taken up. A continuation of the Boston vein is found on the Greenwood claim adjoining, which belongs to D. Woods. The Greenwood ore averages \$15 in gold.

Some distance south of the Boston and east of the Nickel Plate, T. J. Gorman has recently discovered a 40-foot vein of arsenical iron on the Eldorado group. This ore resembles closely that of the Nickel Plate, native gold being visible in some specimens of it. The group was located some years ago on a showing of pyrrhotite carrying a little yellow copper and giving assays as high as \$14.30 in gold. The recent find of arsenical pyrites greatly increases the value of the property.

The Yorkshire Boy adjoining the Eldorado group has a 6-foot vein of pyrrhotite and yellow copper assaying from \$2 to \$52. It is owned by A. Aberdeen.

Southwest of the Nickel Plate group the Horsefly claim, owned by Wollaston and Arundel, has a 5-foot vein of arsenical iron assaying \$24 in gold, which has been exposed mainly by open cutting. This lead pans gold freely on the surface.

Up the Similkameen river a few miles from the Nickel Plate mountain and on the opposite side, H. C. Pollock has located the Maple Leaf group on two white quartz veins carrying gold in arsenical iron. One lead has a 2-foot paystreak running \$20 to \$30 in gold, and the other has two paystreaks assaying somewhat higher. Both veins are between 6 and 8 feet wide. A 55-ft. tunnel has been driven with the object of cutting one of the veins at depth.

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