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THE NEXT EXCITEMENT

IN KOOTENAY WILL CENTRE IN THE NORTH RIDING.

Big Finds In Ground Hog Basin—New Strikes on Keystone Mountain—Outsiders Getting Interested—Trout Lake Activity—Lardeau in it too—The Record.

BIG BEND.

Revelstoke was the scene of a sensation this week when the result of the assays made on some samples from the Ground Hog Basin were made known. Two samples out of four went $112 and $140 in gold and the owner of the properties, J. W. Haskins, and the town generally, is highly elated. The ore body from which these samples came is immense, and a wonderful future for Big Bend quartz is in sight. There is no reason why there should not be an excitement in the Bend that will outdo any of the already great excitements of Kootenay. There are few camps in Kootenay that can look at the Bend for richness of ore, and in no part of it are the leads so distinct and so true. A number of townspeople are getting in on the ground floor and several knowing outsiders are also making locations.

Gus Lund is down from Ground Hog Basin where he has been doing assessment work on the Ole Bull and C.O.D., belonging to himself; Big Bend Belle, J. D. Graham; Golden Hill, C. B. Hume, and O.K., C. Lindmark.

The Ole Bull lead is now four feet wide and the free gold may be seen in the rock in the cut with the naked eye. Gus has a 20 foot shaft down on this claim and will work it all winter going down to 75 feet. It is a magnificent property.

The C.O.D. lead, which lies on the west of the Ole Bull, is about 18 inches wide and an open cut 12 feet deep has been put in here showing the gold without a glass. There are 3 leads on the C.O.D. claim.

The Big Bend Belle, owned by J. D. Graham, is the northerly extension of the Ole Bull, and the Golden Hill, belonging to C. B. Hume, lies to the south on the same lead. Both claims are looking up well and with more work will become valuable.

JORDAN PASS.

Reighly & Frisby are down again from the Wild Goose group. They are doing their assessment work on the Wild Goose and are now down about 40 feet altogether. The ore body is improving with depth shewing a fine steely *galena* with some carbonates. They also made another location of heavy cube galena that looks fairly good. There are six locations on their main lead with strong mineral on three of them. They intend to prove the Wild Goose property to the very best of their means and are confident they will make it a valuable thing.

TROUT LAKE.

The result of the visit of the Silver Cup people is that another tunnel is to be started at once. Monroe, the foreman is now on the ground to direct operations.

Freight hauling is now reported heavy over the Thomson-Trout Lake road.

A large number of strangers, even as many as 10 or 15, are coming in every day.

The Badshot has a team of horses drawing lumber, supplies, and ore sacks, getting all in readiness for making shipments.

Knowles & Ferguson have now two feet of good clean ore in sight on their new find, to which four extensions have been staked.

The Horne Payne outfit are putting up 4 cabins on the claims they recently bonded. About 12 or 15 men will probably be working this week.

Yawkey, of the Slocan concentrator, was much impressed with prospects of the Black Prince claim and may open it up this fall. He is having the assessment done on the Free Coinage, Silver Dollar, and Alice Murphy. He speaks highly of Trout Lake camp and says it will soon draw a large amount of public attention.

The 6 mile hill on the South Fork trail is being fixed up and made a good job of. The steep hill on the Trout Lake wagon road is also being graded off.

The camp is full of "go" and men this season. The good finds are so numerous that every old location in the camp is being recovered.

LARDEAU.

The two companies the Kootenay Gold, Silver and Copper, and the Kootenay Consolidated—which have been operating on Sable Creek, have now consolidated into the Consolidated Sable Creek Mining Company. It is the intention of the company to run two shifts of four men each, for the present, to open up their property. They will put in a winter camp and trails and have everything in shape for shipping this winter. So far, there is a crosscut on the ledge at a depth of 60 feet shewing an ore body 25 feet wide. They now propose to run 150 to 200 feet on the vein, sinking a winze 150 feet and then crosscut. This is gratifying news to the people of this district.

The Boyd Creek trail is now finished to within 3 miles of the head of the creek, the appropriation of $700 being used up. The trail is well built.

J. A. Magee, superintendent of the Kootenay Lumber Co., has had 15 men at work clearing, and has got in the pile driver to drive piles for the mill and then a wharf. He will be sawing lumber next month, and will take out a quality of timber unequalled in the province.

J. D. Sibbald brought in this week from his claim, the Glengarry, some of the handsomest specimens ever seen in the shape of galena. The Glengarry is a true fissure with a ledge 15 feet wide, three of which is clean shipping ore assaying about 300 ounces to the ton. The concentrating ore is also of a good grade. Assessment work is now being done on this property.

FROM THE MINING RECORDS.

REVELSTOKE—

Aug. 17—Golden Curry, J. W. Haskins, located July 29.
17—Orphan Boy, J. W. Haskins, located Aug. 11.
17—Keystone, Johnathan Miller, located July 27.
17—Gem, J. A. Smith, located Aug. 1.
17—Jordan, T. Horne, located Aug. 1.
19—Rosebery, Gus Lund, located Aug. 1.
19—Cariboo, Old Reliable, Black Diamond, located Aug. 6, and Iron King, located Aug. 10, J. C. Montgomery and E. M. Bouche.

CERTIFICATES OF WORK.

Aug. 14—Revelstoke, P. Gorman.
15—Bonanza King, F. Young.
15—Alice, Chas. S. Young.
15—Vancouver, J. W. Haskins.
15—Gloucester, Chas. A. Lett.
15—Crown Point, C. Wickenden.
15—Last Chance, J. H. Hoar.
17—Wild Goose, J. Reighley.
17—Chase "
18—O.K., C. Lindmark.
18—Ole Bull, Gus Lund.
18—C O D, "

Extensions of time—St. Laurence, St. Louis and Columbia.

LEASES GRANTED.

Smith Creek—Burt Lane and D. C. Gillispie, one-half mile creek diggings.

Camp Creek—H. S. Howard, one-half mile creek diggings.

Camp Creek—Mark Hyatt, one-quarter mile creek diggings.

Gold Stream—Raymond Allen, 80 acres bench.

TROUT LAKE—

Aug. 12—Ogantz, Ole Arvog.
13—Silver Bottom, N McFadden
13—Silver Reef, Phil M Donald.
13—Iron Mask, Henry Griffith
13—Red Rack, J G Kirkpatrick
13—Silver Reward, O D Hoar
14—Iron Mountain, T E Horne
14—Black Cloud, M Mathgson
14—Trump, R B Horne
14—Silver Tip, G B Nagle
14—Sunshine, W E Ross
14—Butte, Thos E Horne
17—Coon, Frank Treanor
18—Bryan, Louis H Legg
18—Sewall, Earle R Jenner
18—Maid of Erin, M Hayes
18—Banker, Selkirk, Jas Dixon and A McGillivray
18—Huron, Frank Treanor
19—Lardeau, J W Livingstone

ASSESSMENTS.

Aug. 18—Bannockburn, P McDonald
18—Jennie Lind, Ole Arvog.
18—Sunshine,
18—Black Eagle, O. Jacobson.
18—Sunset,
18—Iron Horse, Chas. Olson.

Transfer—Aug 18—Thos. Taylor to H. J. and A. M. Stewart, full interest in Tuscan.

Ore Shipments via Revelstoke.

For week ending Aug. 14.

Slocan Star, 130 tons, value $14,367.50, shipped to Omaha.

Idaho, 40 tons, value $3902, shipped to Omaho.

For week ending Aug. 28.

Slocan Star, 120 tons, value $9,173. shipped to Omaha.

Idaho, 20 tons, value $2703, shipped to Omaha.

Metal Quotations.

New York, Aug. 20.

Bar silver	66½.
Copper (Broker's price)	$10.45.
Lead " "	$ 2.60.

ORE SHIPMENTS

Of West Kootenay for the Fiscal Year Ending June 1896.

The correct returns of ore shipments for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1896, as certified by the customs authorities at Revelstoke and Nelson, are as follows:

QUARTER ENDING.	GOLD. OUNCES.	GOLD. VALUE.	SILVER. OUNCES.	SILVER. VALUE.
Sept. 1 95	6,912	$121,361	253,275	$150,254
Dec. "	12,280	224,003	373,031	268,078
Mar. 1896	5,162	102,611	1,013,763	647,133
June "	5,719	101,181	619,572	114,573

	COPPER. TONS.	COPPER. VALUE.	LEAD. TONS.	LEAD. VALUE.
Sept. 1 95	101.8	$10,191	1,589.1	$81,325
Dec. "	238.3	23,771	2,129.0	105,415
Mar. 1 96	252.2	35,171	3,068.7	113,133
June "	512.1	59,211	2,177.1	74,039

SUMMARY.

Gold	$ 552,135
Silver	1,430,088
Copper	129,250
Lead	374,070
Total	$2,536,023

An Old Timer Talks.

C. F. Montgomery, who represents a heavy company of San Francisco capitalists and who returned from a prospecting trip in the Big Bend, Tuesday, is one of those interesting people, now met so seldom, known as pioneers or "real old-timers." He first started his mining experiences at Alder Gulch in '62, then at Salmon River in '64, which was one of the earliest gold finds in B. C. He next travelled to Whitestone at the mouth of Okanagan in '65, then to Kettle River and Rock Creek getting back to Colville, the prospectors mecca of those days, in the fall of that year. In the spring of '66 he made the first trip on the Fortynine into the Big Bend and followed her fortunes for four trips. He then prospected all through the Big Bend and Canoe River till the fall of '67, when the excitement at Perry Creek drew him thither. From Perry Creek he went to Cedar Creek, Montana, then to White Pine, Arizona, in spring of '79, back to Walla Walla in '71, and on to the Peace River excitement in Omineca. In Omineca he staid 7 years, working at Slate Creek and other businesses.

He is familiar with every foot of ground in the Big Bend, and, as his travels indicate, is also pretty familiar with most of B. C. He has lately been into Rossland and says this upper country in the Bend will beat anything in sight when opened up. In the early days it was often remarked by others as well as himself that no where were there such ledges as in the Bend, but at that time quartz was not looked for. The main mineral belt can be followed, he declares, up the Bend right to Alaska and is much greater and probably richer in mineral than the lower country. Indeed it was almost a proverb with old timers that, "the further north you went the richer it is."

He had often wanted to get back to the Bend to look up the great leads of quartz that he had seen there in 65-67, but not till this year had the opportunity presented itself. The company he was in with had asked him to look around in the Bend, and as a result, he had located four claims on Keystone Mountain near the creek of that name and Five Mile Creek. The leads were immense in size and could be traced three miles. Two of the properties were galena, one was a gold quartz and one an asbestos of a great width. His samples fully bore out his remarks, and, he added, if they were acceptable to his people an expert would be here on September 1st to examine them, and probably work would follow if not too late.

His people, said Mr. Montgomery, were not afraid to get in and put boats on the river to get out the ore if the properties turn out favorable.

Speaking about transportation, Montgomery said that the Fortynine was a 96 or 97 foot boat, 65 h.p., and that she was pulled up the rapids by a hand capstan. The navigation of the Columbia is an easy enough matter, said he, by putting on two light draught boats with sufficient power, one below and one above the rapids. The river is not a very bad one to navigate, and if some improvements were made in the channel and a portage road over the rapids the whole country, even up Canoe River which was navigable for over 50 miles, could be opened up.

The first killing at Hull's new slaughter house, which is situated about ½ mile out on the Big Bend road, took place Tuesday.

Rumor has it that something will soon be done about putting boats on the Columbia into the Bend. There is a party in town sizing up the situation.

Jack Sands is always prepared to do teaming and hauling of all kinds at shortest notice. See him about your winter wood.

FROM DOWN RIVER POINTS.

Happenings Amongst the Treasure Vaults of South Kootenay.

TRAIL CREEK.

A solid wall of ore, very like that of the War Eagle, has been struck at the Mugwump at a depth of 20 feet.

Ore in the Wallingford goes 14 per cent copper, $5 in gold, and 40 ounces in silver. There are two clear feet of it.

On the Heather Belle, situated 10 miles north of Rossland, a large body of ore assaying $13.60 in gold and a little copper has been struck.

The Silver Belle group in the South Belt was recently purchased for $19,000. They have a 12 foot ledge going from $85 to $12 per ton.

Four drill compressor plants have been ordered for the Commander and Lily May properties.

Assays from the three foot ore lead on the Double Standard give $15 to $20 in gold and one to five per cent copper.

SLOCAN.

Eleven men are now employed on the Currie.

Ore has been struck again on the Enterprise and the ledge is widening and improving.

A recent incorporation to work the Phoenix claim on the North Fork of Carpenter Creek is the Phoenix Consolidated Co. with $750,000 capital stock.

A rich strike has been made on the Oregon City, Ten Mile Creek. They have a ledge of four feet with two and a half feet of mineral.

A four foot vein running $25 in gold and 127 ounces in silver has been located at Ainsworth.

It is stated that there will be no less than 50 shipping mines in the Slocan this season.

GENERAL.

Work is in full blast on the Red Mountain railroad, which, it is said, will reach Rossland October 1st.

The new furnaces of the Trail smelter are now in place.

A Mrs. McArthur, of Rossland, has started a petition to the Dominion Government praying for the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass route.

The Nelson smelter has closed contracts with the Nickel Plate, Crown Point and C. & K. mines of Rossland, at much lower figures than ever quoted for Trail Creek ores.

Frank Anderson is suing C. Murphy for an eighth interest in the Two Friends.

The Sandon waterworks are now complete at a cost of $8,000. It is the intention of the company to also put in an electric light system.

Corralled In Ten Days.

Messrs. Moore and O'Brien, with whom were placed 50,000 shares of the Noble Five Consolidated stock, closed their books last Tuesday, the whole block, with the exception of a few shares, having been taken by Kaslo people in exactly five days. All went in small lots, 2000 shares being the largest block sold, yet many were disappointed. Orders for about 10,000 shares came in after the subscription books had been closed. The figure on the local holdings has already gone up. Forty cents was refused on a thousand shares the other day and many declare they will not sell below par, so great is the confidence in the property. Not a share is left of the 300,000 treasury stock and the holdings of the incorporators cannot be sold for one year.—*Kootenaian.*

A Follower of Dean Swift.

The witty old Dean of Dublin knew more, and told it, of the Art of Conversation than most people. Mrs. Worthington is his modern apostle and seeks to impress upon the people of this generation the need of cultivating this most agreeable of all arts, for art it is. Mrs. Worthington will lecture on "The Art of Conversation," at Bourne's Hall on Thursday next, and everyone interested in this most entertaining and instructive subject should attend. The lecture is illustrated by anecdotes and character sketches and is full of pathos and humor vividly described by a cultured elocutionist. Bourne's Hall, Thursday, August 27.

A Smooth Swindle.

"A printer giving the name of Howe, but who is thought to be another genius who possesses a ready turn of the pen, and who is well-known in Vancouver, has worked upon the people of Portland and other cities on the other side of the line to the tune of over $3,000. He represented that he had several valuable mining claims near Revelstoke and for $125 each offered to take a number of gentlemen up there and put them on to a "good thing." He was to meet them at Revelstoke in a month, but of course did not turn up. His victims sold out their businesses and gave up positions and left for Revelstoke, where they discovered that they had been tricked. Several of them are now in Rossland."

The above paragraph from the Vancouver *World*, reads very much like "a fake," as no "gentlemen" who sold out businesses and gave up positions for a "good thing" at $125 have been seen around Revelstoke this summer, and if they had it is hardly likely they could catch on at that moderate figure. The paper publishing this harrowing tale is *probably* the *only* "victim" in the affair.

The Canyon Wants a Post Office.

The new government will soon have an opportunity in the mail service of B.C. to shew its good intentions to the people of this province. One place where the necessity of an office is badly felt is at Albert Canyon on the main line of the C.P.R., not far from Illecillewaet. This will probably be a place of importance if it becomes the outlet and *trade supply point for the properties* now located and worked on the north fork of the Illecillewaet. There are a number of miners and prospectors at work here and it is a hardship on these men to be deprived of a service when regular mail trains pass the place twice daily. At present the mail business for or from Albert Canyon is all done at Illecillewaet, which is 6 miles distant. When the new Postmaster-General gets down to business and looks into the mail facilities of B.C. the absence of an office at Albert Canyon should be remedied.

J. A. C. Has Been Here.

The Eastern papers that have so long been asleep and in ignorance of the riches of B.C., but whose eyes have been opened by ½ page advertisements of its mining companies, are now proving their fresh kindled zeal for our welfare by sending out correspondents to write us up. Here is what one budding Sala who signs himself J. A. C. (K-ASS being understood) says of Revelstoke in the *"Mail-Empire"*:—

"We arrived at Revelstoke in the afternoon, and a hotter and more dusty place it would be hard to find. Revelstoke is a point on the line of the Canadian Pacific that has achieved notoriety chiefly owing to the rise of Rossland, as it is the place where goods are transhipped from the main line down the Columbia river to Trail and Kootenay with its hundred mining camps. It is a small typical mining town, the houses built of pine boards, and there is an air of newness about the place that is depressing."

What a joke! What a verdant looking youth this must have been, and who was it took advantage of his verdancy to give him this story?

Though Revelstoke is dusty enough at times, it isn't in it with other places in B.C., or for that matter in Ontario. But the joke of the thing is the "depressing" air of newness about the place "that has achieved notoriety chiefly owing to the rise of Rossland."

Surely this rising young journalistic star must have worn *pincenez* to appear distinguished, but which must have injured his sight so curiously has he viewed things. As for his conclusions they are so far from being correct that it is "depressing" to have to contradict them.

Revelstoke, young Mr. Sala, was a town of some importance before there was such a place as Rossland, and it achieved notoriety from its capital and central position for handling the trade of this great district. It is not depressingly new, but has steadily if slowly grown for nearly 8 years. It is surrounded by mineral fields rich in gold quartz and gravel, silver, copper, *lead and asbestos, and is on the threshold* of a mining excitement that will make your capable intelligence stagger. It is not built altogether of pine boards of the primitive kind which you suggest, but has good residences and comfortable hotels where "gentlemen" may be hospitably received who wish to know something about the place.

Such erratic and irresponsible ink daubers as this, who tries to be witty at the expense of truth and a towns reputation, ought to be kept at home by a reputable paper like the *Mail-Empire.*

A clay pigeon shoot is to be one of the attractions at the Kamloops Fall Exhibition. The general committee propose to donate $100 if the club raises the same. It would prove a drawing attraction to visitors from all over the Province.

Some young gentlemen on Tuesday night were very earnest and loud in informing the town that they were "jolly good fellows which nobody could deny." It has been denied several times since Tuesday.

PARLIAMENT OPENED.

J. D. EDGAR ELECTED SPEAKER OF THE COMMONS.

Basis of Settlement of the School Question said to be Agreed Upon—Minisuer Paterson Having a Hard Fight for a Seat in North Grey—Ontario's Secretary Dead.

The first session of the eighth parliament of Canada opened Thursday afternoon with the usual ceremonies. The Speech from the Throne after stating the reason for calling the House to be the necessity of making provisions for the public service, goes on to say that the operation of the tariff will be made the subject of careful inquiry, and that immediate steps will be taken to effect a settlement of the school question.

Sir Chas. Tupper asked that the debate on the address be deferred until monday, to which Premier Laurier consented.

J. D. Edgar was elected Speaker of of the Commons without opposition, on Wednesday.

It is said in well-informed circles that a basis of settlement of the school question has already been agreed upon.

The Conservatives are putting up a great fight against Hon. Mr. Patterson in North Grey. The poll will be taken on the 25th. Hon. Mr. Blair in Queen and Sunbury will be an easy winner.

W. D. Balfour, the newly appointed Provincial Secretary of Ontario, died in the Parliament buildings at 6 o'clock Wednesday.

Lord Chief Justice Russell is expected to visit Toronto.

Gaudaur and Stanbury are matched to row for the world's sculling championship at London, England, on September 5th.

A bill is to be submitted to the German reichstag demanding from 100,000,000 to 150,000,000 marks for naval purposes.

A German dispatch says that Chancellor Hohenlohe has resigned but that the Emperor is urging him to remain till after the Czar's visit.

Local and Personal Briefs.

Mr. Smith is about to build a two storey residence next to W. J. Lee's. The lumber is on the ground.

Charlie Wilson was down with the general complaint of the season but is getting around again.

Services at usual hours, morning and evening, in the Methodist church tomorrow. Rev. J. A. Wood, pastor.

A small fire on Wednesday evening occasioning some excitement was extinguished in a few minutes.

Mr Cassell was in town Monday on his way back to Alaska. His bond on the True Fissure is off.

A good cigar is the ideal of a smokers enjoyment, buy a Kamloops one and you will smoke no other.

Fred Whitney, late steward of the Nakusp, is now engaged by the Omaha Grand Smelter and is looking into properties for them.

The funeral of little Gertie Donnelly, which occurred on Wednesday evening, was largely attended by friends of the sorrowing parents.

Clive Phillips-Woolley, Provincial Government Health Inspector, was in town Monday looking into sanitary matters.

If you want a cool, sweet and lasting smoke try a 10 cent package of TONKA Smoking Mixture. Be sure you get genuine.

Mr. Goepel, government auditor, was in town yesterday and went over the books of this office, needless to say he found them all right. He proceeded to-day to Donald and Golden.

Church of England services: Morning prayer, 10:30 a.m.; confirmation and holy communion 11 a.m.; evening prayer at 7:30 p.m. His Lordship the Bishop of the diocese of New Westminster will preach both morning and evening.

Jules Perrin is painting the MAIL building a most ethereal blue. Everyone says it looks heavenly. If you want an artistic piece of decorative work done give Jules a call as he's an artist.

A WORLD'S FAIR —At Joe Joe's parlor. For gents who want a shaving, shampooing or sea foam, hot and cold bath, tobacco, cigars and cigarettes of all kinds, fruit or confectionery, stationery and so forth; next door to the Columbia Hotel. J. A. MORGAN.

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REVELSTOKE, AUGUST 22, 1896.

THE quartz development of the Big Bend is a matter of almost vital importance to the people of this town. The riches of this great country—as large as many a kingdom—lying to the north, and directly tributary to this place, cannot well be diverted. It is rich in gold ledges and gravels, silver, iron, and other minerals, and only awaits a cheap and efficient mode of transportation to come rapidly to the front as the richest portion of this already rich district. Old and practised prospectors, who have years ago trod every foot of this country, say that "the truest, biggest and richest leads in the province are to be found up in the Bend." Yet, little has been done to develop them for want of transportation. This year, it is said, has seen more assessments done than ever before, and everything that has been done proves the wealth of the mineral there.

Right through this rich section flows one of the greatest rivers in the extreme West, making a highway without an equal, yet almost entirely unused. This must not be; these riches must be developed; this natural highway utilised; this town built up. The gold quartz in this section can build up Revelstoke into a city much bigger than Rossland, for not only is the quartz richer, the ledges as strong and true, but the shipping facilities are much better and easier. There is a natural route for a railway up the Big Bend that would hit a rich mineral country for most of the way; that would traverse a great area of arable land up Canoe River, come out in rich Cariboo, and if necessary continue on to Alaska.

If the people of this province want a road to traverse the great north, here is the route that offers itself as more feasible and practicable than a dozen British Pacifics.

As a preliminary in opening up the claims in the Bend to make them into shippers able to supply a railway, there is the great Columbia River, also an easy route for a waggon road. Something must be done, some action taken, to get a commencement made in the securing of cheap transportation for Big Bend ores; for it needs only a commencement, a workable commencement, to demonstrate the greater wealth of mineral than can be obtained by greater means.

NUMEROUS cases of illness this week renders it necessary for the people of the town to be more careful in their sanitary arrangements. The water in use, especially from one or two sources, should be used moderately for drinking, and then only when boiled. This period of the year is a dangerous one for disease, and if a typhoid epidemic gets started it is almost impossible to subdue without the expense of a few lives and much sickness.

COAST papers are all agog about wild cat mining schemes of the Kootenay. If we mistake not, there has been something of the same character on the coast before now and a ventilation of their affairs might be apropos to the press of that district. The Kootenay press, as may be judged by its strictures of recent wild cats, is not venal and will be the first to condemn anything injurious to the best interests of Kootenay. Again, when the coast papers speak of wild cats they only generalise. This is unfair, as if wild cats exist why not particularize them and stand the consequences. Give us particular instances?

A PHONE for Utah located the graveyard at Moab, Utah, as a power claim.

Telegraphic Work In Russia.

The Russian Press gives some interesting particulars of the work done by the Telegraphic Department during the Imperial Coronation at Moscow. After particularising the special preparation made to meet the exceptional pressure, which included the employment of all the most skilful operators throughout Russia, and of over 100 instruments (80 Morse, 4 duplex, 25 Hughes, and 5 Wheatstone automatic), the writer goes on to say that foreign telegrams were transmitted as far as either Berlin or Vienna without a break, and by this means the celerity of the various despatches to foreign newspapers was ensured. The total number of words transmitted averaged for a fortnight from 380,000 to 420,000. The enterprise of the English and American journals attracted special notice. Telegrams of two or three thousand words were quite common, and on the Coronation day one telegram to the London *Standard* contained 10,591 words, at a cost of over 2,000 roubles. This was the longest single telegram despatched during the whole of the festivities.

Europe's Standing Army.

The whole of Europe is little better than a standing camp numbering millions of armed men, while a double row of frowning and opposing fortresses bristles along every frontier. Our harbours are stuffed and the sea swarms with ironclad navies, to whose number I am forced to admit England has been obliged in self-defence to add her modest quota. Even in the remotest East the passion for military expansion has displayed an unexpected development. In fact, thanks to the telegraph, the globe itself has become a mere bundle of nerves, and the slightest disturbance at any point of the system sends a portentous tremor through its morbidly sensitive surface. To-day it would suffice for any one of half-a-dozen august personages to speak above his breath or unwittingly to raise his little finger, and, like in a heaven overcharged with electricity, the existing condition of unstable equilibrium which sustains the European political system would be upset, and war waged in circumstances of greater horror than has been hitherto known to the experience of mankind, might eventually envelop not Europe alone but two, nay, all the four, Continents at once, since in every one of them representatives and offshoots of the contending nations would of necessity be brought into collision.—Lord Dufferin.

Vocabulary of One Word.

"I shall never forget my first visit to Madrid," said a woman in the New York *Sun* man. "I was the only member of our party who knew any Spanish, and I knew but one word, that one being 'leche'—milk—but by means of gestures we managed to get along until breakfast was served. Then, as luck would have it, the maid brought my coffee without any milk, and, also as luck would have it I promptly forgot the one word of Spanish that I knew, and which of all words was the one most wanted at that moment. This time neither gesture nor yelling were of any avail, so, at last, in desperation, I seized a piece of paper and a pencil and drew a picture of a cow. Whereupon the maid tripped off and came back with three tickets to the bull fight."

Every British soldier costs his country $400 every year.

A bicycle with wheels of pure gold has been presented to the Queen of Italy.

The largest standing army belongs to Russia, and the strongest navy to Great Britain.

The "five nations of Europe" own 2,310 warships, mounting 88,289 guns, all ready for "immediate service."

The export prices of wheat since 1866 have varied from $1.87 in that year to an average price of 67c in 1894.

The greatest proportionate loss of officers to men in any battle was at the capture of Redan, where three officers were lost to every 21 men.

Since the Cuban war began the colonial debt of the island has been increased by $305,551,950. The previous debt was $163,551,950, making a total of $468,552,025.

A thousand shingles, laid with 4 inches of exposure to the weather, are said to cover 100 square feet of roof, and 5 pounds of shingle nails will be used in fastening them in position.

The first paper money issued in America was issued by Pennsylvania in 1723. In the early part of that year $15,000 were issued on the credit of the colony and a few months later $30,000 more followed.

The first currency issued by the whites within the limits of the United States was wampum, which was adopted by the Massachusetts colonists in 1607 in their intercourse with the Indians.

A feature of the Paris exposition of 1900 will be a section devoted to the history of Christianity from the beginning to the present day, with representations of the Temple of Jerusalem, the scenes of the life of Christ, Pagan and Christian Rome, Constantinople and the lives of the saints.

NIAGARA'S NEW BRIDGE.

It Will be One of the Wonders of the World.

The new metal arch-bridge at Niagara Falls will be noteworthy in two respects. The new bridge is to be built over the old suspension structure, without interruption to the traffic on the latter. The span from end pier to end pier will be 840 feet, making it the largest span in the world.

The suspension bridge now in use which has been familiar to all visitors to the great natural wonders for forty years will be kept in place until the new arch is ready, as it would be impossible to construct false works over the Niagara gorge to sustain a structure of this class.

The span will have a rise of 150 feet from the level of the piers at the skewbacks to the center of the ribs at the crane of the arch which point is 170 feet above low water. The depth of the trusses is 20 feet, and they will be 68.7 inches apart. The bridge will carry one floor, 46 feet wide, divided longitudinally into three parts. On the middle portion, which is 22 feet 9 inches wide, will be two trolley tracks. Each side of these tracks will be a roadway for carriages 8 feet wide and outside of these, raised 6 inches from the level of the roadway will be footpaths.

The construction of this remarkable span is from plans of L. L. Buck, engineer of the new East river bridge between New York and Brooklyn, and the author of the plans by which the railroad suspension bridge at Niagara was replaced by an arched bridge.

The approaching or *planking* spans will be 190 feet long on the American side and 210 feet on the Canadian side. The total metal in the new structure will be about 4,000,000,000 pounds. Every confidence is expressed in Mr. Buck's ability to carry out his plans. The replacing of the railroad bridge by another without an hour's interruption of business was one of the engineering feats of the decade.

Those who have not seen the great structure at Niagara which it is intended to displace will hardly realize the stupendous character of the undertaking. Imagine the task of displacing the simplest sort of bridge without interrupting traffic, and then add about 1,000 per cent. to the difficulty. This will give something of an idea of what confronts engineers and builders.

In an undertaking of this nature the slightest error might be productive of infinite disaster. Every measurement must be accurate to a hair's breadth. Every portion of the great arch must perform its particular share of the great combination that will be one of the marvels of the world.

All that is done must be accomplished quickly, for in affairs of this nature time is, indeed, money. Every man who can be utilized will join the army of construction. Perhaps no work of recent years has required, or will yet need, more skilled labor. In fact, in bridge building it is becoming unsafe to utilize labor of any other class. The bridge, when complete, will in truth be a work of genius in point of construction, as well as point of conception.

The work of preparing the material for the great structure has been in progress for some time, as little can be accomplished in an enterprise of this nature until the preliminaries are complete. When the effort of placing the different parts of the bridge in position is begun Niagara will be one of the busiest of busy places.—*Railroad Gazette.*

In Ireland there are four packs of staghounds with 100 couples.

There are 20,000 hounds in Great Britain used for hunting purposes.

Henry III of England ordained that the English penny should equal the weight of thirty-two grains of wheat.

It is said that by a blunder of the maker the standard yard of the United States is 1-1000th of an inch too long.

In 1324 a statute of Edward II of England commanded that three barley corns, dry and placed end to end, should be an inch.

An expurgated edition of "Tom Jones" is in course of preparation by Mrs. J. M. Fielding, the wife of the novelist's great grandson.

The brands La Morena, Pride of Kamloops and Interior cigars are all manufactured by G. Borthwick & Co., Kamloops.

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Bob and May were sweethearts.

Of course they were; that's what they had been learning ever since Bob, a stripling of 20, had come out from Tennessee to the Texas Panhandle with the family.

In those days May was a bright haired, high strung little girl of 14 whom Bob never called nor thought of as "redheaded."

Bob was a strong, good humored boy, not a bit afraid of work, and he had a way with him that gave him command of men and creatures. He rose rapidly in old man Love's employ from simple cow puncher to waggon boss, then foreman, and when he was only 25 went, with the approval and good will of his employer, to take the position of ranch manager for a Boston company.

All the world loves a lover. Bob was such a whole hearted one, his state of mind was so patent, he took such delight in it, wore his chains with such open pride and enthusiasm, that all the Panhandle felt with and for him.

And old man Love, was pleased enough with the match and greatly given to bragging of Bob as a coming adjunct to the Love greatness, until the tragedy of the one horned brindle cow, which tore things all up generally, threatened to sever two loving hearts and darken forever Bob's and May's happy horizon.

This old cow—worth perhaps $7—bobbed up at one of the roundups sporting, in addition to the B N of the Boston National, which was facetiously known as the "Bean" brand, old man Love's (xxx).

Though very uncommon, such accidents may occur in the haste and confusion of branding without necessarily implying dishonesty on some one's part. While they do sometimes result in fights and killings they are easily enough adjusted between reasonable people, since any clever cattleman can readily tell which brand is of the longer standing.

But any cowboy on the range would have told you that while old man Love was square enough himself he was a crazy crank about the sacredness of his brand. His long suit was to jump up and down and swear that it never yet was on anything that wasn't his own. He invariably claimed an animal that bore it in addition to another brand (as did this old cow) however plainly it showed as the newer of the two, though as a matter of fact his branding irons were handled by just as many careless cowboys as any others.

If Bob had known what that aged and damaged brindle cow was going to cost him, he might perhaps have blinked his obvious duty and let old man Love have her—in the face of right and reason.

But he was not the man to be backed down by any one, and he dared the worst—and got it!

He held the cow for his company, after a fierce contest, and old man Love went home raging, to give his distorted version of the affair, issue orders that no member of his family was to speak to or of Bob from that time forth, and to remark significantly that he had far rather see a child of his married to a horse thief than to a person capable of such behavior.

Communication between the lovers had since been managed, once or twice, by the utmost stealth and secrecy. Having, by this means, been assured of his sweetheart's steadfastness and readiness Bob sent her word by one of her father's cowboys to ride a good horse past the half way branding pen, armed himself with a license and hung around the Triple X ranch for a week.

When May finally found the opportunity to slip away in the most careless manner, with one of the men's sombreros on and in the face of threatening weather, she received a rapturous welcome from the long banished Bob, and they promptly headed their ponies for Squire Wiley's, just the other side of Roaring creek, who was supposed to be holding himself in readiness for their visit.

What Mexican or other paid spy or what unfriendly or envious hand carried the news to old man Love will not be known, but he burst into one of his near cow camps at dinner, shortly after Bob and May's departure, like a roaring South African lion with mustard in his eye.

"The boys"—who knew well enough what was afoot, and what would be asked of them—dropped their tin cups and plates, jumped on their waiting ponies and were out of hailing distance before he fairly lit in their midst.

But old Hank Pearsall, the cook, was a new man, not long from southwest Texas, neither knowing of nor caring particularly for Bob Holly and his love affair. So he stood at his official post, at the tail end of the chuck wagon, and gave amiable attention to the impassioned harangue and singular antics of this new and entertaining employer.

Being commanded to come along and assist in dispersing Bob and rescuing May, he mounted a serious appearing but fitful tempered buckskin colored pony, with one white eye and much symmetry of bone—as much of a character in its way as Hank was in his—and started, with considerable interest and curiosity.

They rode hard and were near overhauling the lover, within a mile of Roaring creek. But while pursuer and pursued pushed on at their utmost pace another factor was coming with a hundred times greater speed to take a hand in the game.

The dry bed of roaring creek was just before them, beyond that a tiny rise, then an arroyo, and beyond that again the roof of the justice's house, just in sight. As Bob and May scattered over the creek bed and scrambled up onto the rise beyond, both looked back, and their ponies stopped, tossing their heads, pricking their ears and snorting at a curious humming sound that suddenly seemed to fill all the air about.

"Hurry up, darling," cried Bob, throwing out a hand to catch May's, "it's a big storm coming from above." But before they could descend the slope to cross the dry arroyo in front it was running from bank to bank and brimming over with a sudden flood of red, muddy water.

And even above the noise of the flood before them they heard a sound like the angry shouting of furious multitudes. Looking backward and up the creek whence the sounds came they saw a great, tumbling, shuddering wall—pushing before it and bearing upon its crest all imaginable sorts of debris—advancing down the dry creek bed with such a thunderous onslaught that the little mound on which they stood shook and seemed fairly to lower under their feet. They looked about them. The arroyo ran into the creek below. Above both it and the creek had flooded out until they joined. Their little mound was an island, momentarily growing smaller, surrounded on every side by raging torrents, in which were driven and whirled whole trees, full grown cattle, with sometimes a fence post whose trailing wires had caught in their barbs all manner of ghastly wreckage.

Up came the water about them; down fell the big hail.

"It's a cloudburst above, darling," said Bob. "It won't last long—the water won't cover this rise."

"I'm not afraid, Bob," said May, with very white lips. "I'm glad I came anyhow. If we've got to die, we'll die together, and the way I've felt for the last three weeks I'm sure that's a heap better than living apart."

Bob jumped off his pony and lifted May from hers. The hail was coming bigger and beat cruelly upon them. He wrapped his slicker about her, pushed the ponies close together and sheltered her with them and his own body as best he could.

"We won't die," he said, "but, poor little girl, what an awful storm I've dragged you out into!"

Just then, from the farther bank of the creek, above the awful howling of the storm, came this intelligent command in old man Love's ear splitting tones:

"May Love! You come here to me this minute!" And May laughed hysterically.

"Well, he can't get at us anyway—but the hail can. Oh, look at your poor hands! Oh, Bob, I can't bear it—put the slicker back on!"

"Why, honey," said Bob as the tears came in earnest now, "I'd get pounded just the same anyhow, and you must let me have the comfort of keeping some of it off you—it ain't a patchin on the way your pa would do me if he could get me right now."

While the storm raged and the water rose nearly to their feet, Hank Pearsall had the almost exclusive benefit of old man Love's remarks, since only his wildest shrieks reached the young couple, who were too much absorbed in each other to heed either him or the storm very much.

These remarks disagreed with Mr. Pearsall, who was notoriously a man of judgment and observation.

"What's the matter with that young feller?" he queried angrily. "Watch him a-standin to the north'ard uv his gal, a-keeping the hail offen her! He ain't no chump! If he keeps that lick up right through, he'll make a better husband'n what you ever did!"

About this time, the hail ceasing, the expectant justice came down to the farther bank of the arroyo. The water was going down visibly, but its roar was still considerable.

"Ho, Bob!" yelled the justice, above its sound, "got your license?"

Bob took it out and waved it above his head.

Old man Love could not from where he stood hear a word, but he surmised what had been said, and the sight of the document was a livid red rag to the bull.

"I dare ye to marry 'em," he screamed. "I dare ye to do it!" And in an ecstasy of rage and anxiety he forced his pony down into the foaming creek among the whirling drift, where he was promptly pitched off by the terrified creature, which instantly returned. Pearsall, at the risk of his own life, had to fish him out, receiving plenty of abuse for his pains and returning it with bitter irony.

In two minutes' time the shallower arroyo was fordable, though the creek, down which big drift continued to come, was not. Bob set May on her pony, mounted his own and prepared to ride out. The sight of the justice—a plains Cupid, with boots, slicker and cowboy hat—preparing to take charge of the pair was too much for old man Love, and dismounted as he was, he plunged, in a delirium of rage, into the creek, sputtering and yelling:

"Stop! Hold on! You just dare!"

May hesitated, frightened, but old Hank Pearsall yanked her father out again and set him on dry land, snorting:

"Doggone ye! I pulled y' out onct before! What fer cain't ye stay out? Huh?

"When ye try buckin agin a boy like that, backed by a Texas norther, you're agoin to git left—don't ye know it? That kid's got a double cinch on providence! Bet ye he had this flyer storm staked out!

"Go it feller! Go it gal! I'm with ye ever time—I'm fer ye! Yer the right sort! I wouldn't hender ye fer all the damned old snake bit fools in Texas! I'll jist gether up the scraps o' this ole eejit an tote 'em back to the ranch."

And as May and Bob rode off, tattered, beaten, draggled, but obliviously blissful and jaunty, a faint hail followed them:

"Goodby, rids—wish yer joy! Come on ole calamity!"—Alice MacGowan in Chicago Herald.

Bullets Wear Out Rifles.

There is one thing which users of the new high velocity of 30-caliber have to consider, and that is the effect of the copper or nickel jacket on the grooves of the rifle, says the New York *Sun*. A bullet that leaves the muzzle of a rifle at a velocity of 2,000 feet a second is so wearing on the rifling, especially near the muzzle, that the accuracy of even the hardest-bored rifles is seriously impaired inside of 12,000 shots at the most. The lead bullets, or those but slightly hardened with a mixture of tin, do not wear the barrels to the same extent, and the barrels last far longer.

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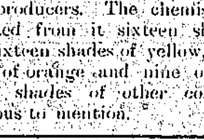

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BORN.

NASH.—At Revelstoke, Monday, Aug. 17, the wife of H. Nash of a son.

MARRIED.

EDWARDS-WEAVER.—At the residence of E. Toombs, Revelstoke, on Saturday, Aug. 15, by Rev. Woodsworth, Geo. H. Edwards to Miss S. Weaver.

DIED.

DONNELLY.—At Revelstoke, on Sunday, Aug. 16, Gertrude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Donnelly, aged 15 months.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL BRIEFS

Pete Arena is in town again.

J. D. Sibbald arrived Wednesday.

Bert Temple is back from the Coast.

Bug Lund arrived Monday evening.

Miss Sweet arrived from Vernon, yesterday.

Pete Walker left for Trout Lake, Monday.

Andy Craig arrived in town from Thomson's Sunday.

Tom Horne came in from his Duncan trip, Sunday.

J. W. Haskins went up the Bend again Thursday morning.

Miss Chase is back from her visit to friends at Red Deer.

A number of new buildings are going up at the station.

R. A. Pease, of the N.W.T., is visiting his brother.

Mrs. Turnross has had a cow mutilated by some one of the Italians.

Hon. J. H. Turner was on No. 2 this morning and went on to Banff.

Miss Ley, of Halcyon Hot Springs, spent a few days in town this week.

A. W. McIntosh is back from the Keystone Mountain claims in the Bend.

Merdy McRae, looking very well, arrived back from his Vancouver visit, Thursday.

G. Dennis and W. D. Mann, both of Kaslo, were in town Wednesday.

J. C. McLagan, of the Vancouver *World*, went through to-day to the East.

Miss Field will deliver her lecture on palmistry at Peterson's Hall this evening at 8:30.

E. Adair, J. Bellway, J. Craven and J. A. Magee arrived up from Lardeau yesterday.

Get a Kamloops cigar made at home with union labor and enjoy a good smoke.

Tom McRae, who was in charge of the Boyd Creek trail for a time, arrived in town Friday.

Did you have a "verbal delineation" of your hand for 6 bits or go to the lecture for 4.

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S. Ballegard has disposed of his well-known and favorite old horse to Snowden, of Illecillewaet.

Presbyterian church: Service to-morrow evening at 7:30; Mr. Geddes, B. A., missionary.

Charlie Abrahamson and J. C. Montgomery left for Keystone Mountain, Thursday morning.

Oliver Redpath and Nate Laughead, two of Revelstoke's old timers, are in town looking around them.

When you buy the famous BEAVER Chewing Tobacco, be sure the word Beaver is on each plug.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described pastoral land: Commencing at a point where the south line of Alexander McRae's preemption claim intersects the S. W. shore of Arrow Lake, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains more or less to lake, thence following shore of lake to starting point.

J. A. MAGEE.

Lardeau, B.C. Aug. 21st, 1896. 1-30

Notice to Creditors.

THE CREDITORS of the late William Brockenbridge and J. B. Hoar, free miners, deceased, late of Trout Lake, in the District of West Kootenay, are required, within Thirty days of this date, to forward by registered letter their claims and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them. After the expiration of the said thirty days the Gold Commissioner will proceed with the distribution of the said estate, having regard to those claims only of which he shall have had notice.

Dated at Revelstoke, B.C., this 22nd day of August, A.D. 1896. J. D. GRAHAM, *Gold Commissioner*, Revelstoke Division, West Kootenay District. 18-3t.

Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership heretofore existing between J. Dawson, B. Craddock & Co., under the firm name of Dawson, Craddock & Co., and carrying on the hotel business at the Halcyon Hot Springs, West Kootenay District, has been dissolved by mutual consent.

The firm will now be known as that of Sanderson & Lay. All outstanding accounts are to be paid to Sanderson & Lay to whom all debts of the firm are to be presented.

SANDERSON & LAY.

Halcyon Hot Springs, Aug. 20th, 1896. 17-4t

NOTICE.

I CHARLES BULLARD, intend sixty days to apply to the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land: Starting from J. A. Magee's south-west corner post, thence one-half mile north, thence one-half mile west, thence one-half mile south, one-half mile east to place of commencement, this land being situated in the Lardeau District, West Kootenay.

CHARLES BULLARD.

Dated Lardeau, B.C., Aug. 10, 1896. 17-9t

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that within 60 days from date I intend making application to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase land in Lardeau District of West Kootenay, the boundary of which is described as follows: Commencing at A. McVicar's S.E. corner stake; thence west 80 chains, north 40 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains to starting point.

COEY MENHINICK.

Lardeau, July 11th, 1896. 15-9t

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that within 60 days from date I intend making application to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 163 acres of pasture land in Lardeau, District of West Kootenay, described as follows: Commencing at a post marked J. A. Magee's S.E. corner, situated at the S.W. corner of Alexander McRae's preemption, thence north 40 chains, west 40 chains, south 40 chains, east 40 chains to starting point.

J. A. MAGEE.

Victoria, July 11th, 1896. 13-10t

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THE NEXT EXCITEMENT

IN KOOTENAY WILL CENTRE IN THE NORTH RIDING.

Big Finds In Ground Hog Basin—New Strikes on Keystone Mountain—Outsiders Getting Interested—Trout Lake Activity—Lardeau in it too—The Records.

BIG BEND.

Revelstoke was the scene of a sensation this week when the result of the assays made on some samples from the Ground Hog Basin were made known. Two samples out of four went $112 and $140 in gold and the owner of the properties, J. W. Haskins, and the town generally, is highly elated. The ore body from which these samples came, is immense, and a wonderful future for Big Bend quartz is in sight. There is no reason why there should not be an excitement in the Bend that will outdo any of the already great excitements of Kootenay. There are few camps in Kootenay that can look at the Bend for richness of ore, and in no part of it are the leads so distinct and so true. A number of townspeople are getting in on the ground floor and several knowing outsiders are also making locations.

Gus Lund is down from Ground Hog Basin where he has been doing assessment work on the Ole Bull and C.O.D., belonging to himself; Big Bend Belle, J. D. Graham; Golden Hill, C. B. Hume; and O.K., C. Lindmark.

The Ole Bull lead is now four feet wide and the free gold may be seen in the rock in the cut with the naked eye. Gus has a 20 foot shaft down on this claim and will work it all winter going down to 75 feet. It is a magnificent property.

The C.O.D. lead, which lies on the west of the Ole Bull, is about 18 inches wide and an open cut 12 feet deep has been put in here, showing the gold without a glass. There are 3 leads on the C.O.D. claim.

The Big Bend Belle, owned by J. D. Graham, is the northerly extension of the Ole Bull, and the Golden Hill, belonging to C. B. Hume, lies to the south on the same lead. Both claims are looking up well and with more work will become valuable.

JORDAN PASS.

Reighly & Frisby are down again from the Wild Goose group. They are doing their assessment work on the Wild Goose and are now down about 40 feet altogether. The ore body is improving with depth shewing a fine steely galena with some carbonates. They also made another location of heavy cube galena that looks fairly good. There are six locations on their main lead with strong mineral on three of them. They intend to prove the Wild Goose property to the very best of their means and are confident they will make it a valuable thing.

TROUT LAKE.

The result of the visit of the Silver Cap people is that another tunnel is to be started at once. Monroe, the foreman is now on the ground to direct operations.

Freight hauling is now reported heavy over the Thomson-Trout Lake road.

A large number of strangers, even as many as 10 or 15, are coming in every day.

The Badshot has a team of horses drawing lumber, supplies, and ore sacks, getting all in readiness for making shipments.

Knowles & Ferguson have now two feet of good clean ore in sight on their new find, to which four extensions have been staked.

The Horne Payne outfit are putting up 4 cabins on the claims they recently bonded. About 12 or 15 men will probably be working this week.

Yawkey, of the Slocan concentrator, was much impressed with prospects of the Black Prince claim and may open it up this fall. He is having the assessment done on the Free Coinage, Silver Dollar, and Alice Murphy. He speaks highly of Trout Lake camp and says it will soon draw a large amount of public attention.

The 6 mile hill on the South Fork trail is being fixed up and made a good job of. The steep hill on the Trout Lake wagon road is also being graded off.

The camp is full of "go" and men this season. The good finds are so numerous that every old location in the camp is being recovered.

LARDEAU.

The two companies—the Kootenay Gold, Silver and Copper, and the Kootenay Consolidated which have been operating on Sable Creek, have now consolidated into the Consolidated Sable Creek Mining Company. It is the intention of the company to run two shifts of four men each for the present, to open up their property. They will put in a winter camp and trails and have everything in shape for shipping this winter. So far, there is a crosscut on the ledge at a depth of 60 feet shewing an ore body 25 feet wide. They now propose to run 150 to 200 feet on the vein, sinking a winze 150 feet and then crosscut. This is gratifying news to the people of this district.

The Boyd Creek trail is now finished to within 3 miles of the head of the creek, the appropriation of $700 being used up. The trail is well built.

J. A. Magee, superintendent of the Kootenay Lumber Co., has had 15 men at work clearing, and has got in the pile driver to drive piles for the mill and then a wharf. He will be sawing lumber next month, and will take out a quality of timber unequalled in the province.

J. D. Sibbald brought in this week from his claim, the Glengarry, some of the handsomest specimens ever seen in the shape of galena. The Glengarry is a true fissure with a ledge 15 feet wide, three of which is clean shipping ore assaying about 300 ounces to the ton. The concentrating ore is also of a good grade. Assessment work is now being done on this property.

FROM THE MINING RECORDS.

REVELSTOKE—

Aug. 17—Golden Curry, J. W. Haskins, located July 29.
17—Orphan Boy, J. W. Haskins, located Aug. 11.
17—Keystone, Johnathan Miller, located July 27.
17—Gem, J. A. Smith, located Aug. 1.
17—Jordan, T. Horne, located Aug. 1.
19—Rosebery, Gus Lund, located Aug. 4.
19—Cariboo, Old Reliable, Black Diamond, located Aug. 6, and Iron King, located Aug. 10, J. C. Montgomery and E. M. Bouche.

CERTIFICATES OF WORK.

Aug. 14—Revelstoke, P. Gorman.
15—Bonanza King, F. Young.
15—Alice, Chas. S. Young.
15—Vancouver, J. W. Haskins.
15—Gloucester, Chas. A. Lett.
15—Crown Point, G. Wickoaden.
15—Last Chance, J. H. Hoar.
17—Wild Goose, J. Reighley.
17—Chase.
18—O.K., C. Lindmark.
18—Ole Bull, Gus Lund.
18—C.O.D.

Extensions of time.—St. Laurence, St. Louis and Columbia.

LEASES GRANTED.

Smith Creek—Burt Lane and D. C. Gillispie, one-half mile creek diggings.

Camp Creek—H. S. Howard, one-half mile creek diggings.

Camp Creek—Mark Hyatt, one-quarter mile creek diggings.

Gold Stream—Raymond Allen, 80 acres bench.

TROUT LAKE—

Aug. 12—Ogantz, Ole Arvog.
13—Silver Bottom, N McFadden
13—Silver Reef, Phil M Donald
13—Iron Mask, Henry Griffith
13—Red Rack, J C Kirkpatrick
13—Silver Reward, O D Hoar
14—Iron Mountain, T E Horne
14—Black Cloud, M Matheson
14—Trump, R B Horne
14—Silver Tip, C B Nagle
14—Sunshine, W E Ross
14—Bottle, Thos E Horne
17—Coon, Frank Treanor
18—Bevan, Louis H Legg
18—Sewall, Earle R Jenner
18—Maid of Erin, M Hayes
18—Banker, Selkirk, Jas Dixon and A McGillivray
18—Huron, Frank Treanor
19—Lardeau, J W Livingstone

ASSESSMENTS.

Aug. 13—Bannockburn, P McDonald
18—Jennie Lind, Ole Arvog.
18—Sunshine.
18—Black Eagle, O. Jacobson.
18—Sunset.
18—Iron Horse, Chas. Olson.

Transfer—Aug 18—Thos. Taylor, to H. J. and A. M. Stewart, full interest in Tuscan.

Ore Shipments via Revelstoke.

For week ending Aug. 14.

Slocan Star, 180 tons, value $14,267.50, shipped to Omaha.

Idaho, 40 tons, value $6002, shipped to Omaho.

For week ending Aug. 23.

Slocan Star, 120 tons, value $9,473, shipped to Omaha.

Idaho, 20 tons, value $2709, shipped to Omaha.

Metal Quotations.

New York, Aug. 20.

Bar silver	.66½
Copper (Brokers price)	$10.15
Lead	2.60

ORE SHIPMENTS

Of West Kootenay for the Fiscal Year Ending June 1896.

The correct returns of ore shipments for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1896, as certified by the customs authorities at Revelstoke and Nelson, are as follows:

QUARTER ENDING.	GOLD. OUNCES.	GOLD. VALUE.	SILVER. OUNCES.	SILVER. VALUE.
Sept. 1 95	6,912	$124,961	235,275	$150,281
Dec. "	12,280	221,643	373,031	268,038
Mar. 1896	5,702	102,611	1,013,763	617,133
June "	5,719	101,181	639,572	411,5 3

	COPPER. TONS.	COPPER. VALUE.	LEAD. TONS.	LEAD. VALUE.
Sept. 1 95	161.8	$16,191	1,589.1	$81,323
Dec. "	233.3	23,771	2,129.0	105,445
Mar. 1896	282.2	35,474	2,168.7	113,131
June "	512.1	50,811	2,177.1	71,620

SUMMARY.

Gold	$552,135
Silver	1,483,068
Copper	129,250
Lead	371,630
Total	$2,536,023

An Old Timer Talks.

C. F. Montgomery, who represents a heavy company of San Francisco capitalists and who returned from a prospecting trip in the Big Bend, Tuesday, is one of those interesting people, now met so seldom, known as pioneers or "real old timers." He first started his mining experiences at Alder Gulch in '62, then at Salmon River in '64, which was one of the earliest gold finds in B. C. He next travelled to Whitestone at the mouth of Okanagan in '65, then to Kettle River and Rock Creek getting back to Colville, the prospectors mecca of those days, in the fall of that year. In the spring of '66, he made the first trip on the Fortynine into the Big Bend and followed their fortunes for four trips. He then prospected all through the Big Bend and Canoe River till the fall of '67, when the excitement at Perry Creek drew him thither. From Perry Creek he went to Cedar Creek, Montana, then to White Pine, Arizona, in spring of '70, back to Walla Walla in '71, and on to the Peace River excitement in Omineca. In Omineca he staid 7 years, working at Slate Creek and other businesses.

He is familiar with every foot of ground in the Big Bend, and, as his travels indicate, is also pretty familiar with most of B. C. He has lately been into Rossland and says this upper country in the Bend will beat anything in sight when opened up. In the early days it was often remarked by others as well as himself that no where were there such ledges as in the Bend, but at that time quartz was not looked for. The main mineral belt can be followed, he declares, up the Bend right to Alaska and is much greater and probably richer in mineral than the lower country. Indeed it was almost a proverb with old timers that, "the farther north you went the richer it is."

He had often wanted to get back to the Bend to look up the great leads of quartz that he had seen there in '66-67, but not till this year had the opportunity presented itself. The company he was in with had asked him to look around in the Bend, and as a result, he had located four claims on Keystone Mountain near the creek of that name and Five Mile Creek. The leads were immense in size and could be traced three miles. Two of the properties were galena, one was a gold quartz and one an asbestos of a great width. His samples fully bore out his remarks, and, he added, if they were acceptable to his people an expert would be here on September 1st to examine them, and probably work would follow if not too late.

His people, said Mr. Montgomery, were not afraid to get in and put boats on the river to get out the ore if the properties turn out favorable.

Speaking about transportation, Montgomery said that the Fortynine was a 96 or 97 foot boat, 65 h.p., and that she was pulled up the rapids by a hand capstan. The navigation of the Columbia is an easy enough matter, said he, by putting on two light draught boats with sufficient power, one below and one above the rapids. The river is not a very bad one to navigate, and if some improvements were made in the channel and a portage road over the rapids the whole country, even up Canoe River, which was navigable for over 50 miles, could be opened up.

The first killing at Hall's new slaughter house, which is situated about ½ mile out on the Big Bend road, took place Tuesday.

Rumor has it that something will soon be done about putting boats on the Columbia into the Bend. There is a party in town sizing up the situation.

Jack Sands is always prepared to do teaming and hauling of all kinds at shortest notice. See him about your winter wood.

FROM DOWN RIVER POINTS.

Happenings Amongst the Treasure Vaults of South Kootenay.

TRAIL CREEK.

A solid wall of ore, very like that of the War Eagle, has been struck at the Mugwump at a depth of 20 feet.

Ore in the Wallingford goes 11 per cent copper, $5 in gold, and 10 ounces in silver. There are two clear feet of it.

On the Heather Belle, situated 10 miles north of Rossland, a large body of ore assaying $13.60 in gold and a little copper has been struck.

The Silver Belle group in the South Belt was recently purchased for $15,000. They have a 12 foot ledge going from $35 to $12 per ton.

Four drill compressor plants have been ordered for the Commander and Lily May properties.

Assays from the three foot ore lead on the Double Standard give $15 to $20 in gold and one to five per cent copper.

SLOGAN.

Eleven men are now employed on the Currie.

Ore has been struck again on the Enterprise and the ledge is widening and improving.

A recent incorporation to work the Phoenix claim on the North Fork of Carpenter Creek is the Phoenix Consolidated Co. with $750,000 capital stock.

A rich strike has been made on the Oregon City, Ten Mile Creek. They have a ledge of four feet with two and a half feet of mineral.

A four foot vein running $25 in gold and 127 ounces in silver has been located at Ainsworth.

It is stated that there will be no less than 50 shipping mines in the Slocan this season.

GENERAL.

Work is in full blast on the Red Mountain railroad, which, it is said, will reach Rossland October 1st.

The new furnaces of the Trail smelter are now in place.

A Mr. McArthur, of Rossland, has started a petition to the Dominion Government praying for the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass route.

The Nelson smelter has closed contracts with the Nickel Plate, Crown Point and C. & K. mines of Rossland at much lower figures than ever quoted for Trail Creek ores.

Frank Anderson is suing C. Murphy for an eighth interest in the Two Friends.

The Sandon waterworks are now complete at a cost of $8,000. It is the intention of the company to also put in an electric light system.

Corralled In Ten Days.

Messrs. Moore and O'Brien, with whom were placed 50,000 shares of the Noble Five Consolidated stock, closed their books last Tuesday, the whole block with the exception of a few shares having been taken by Kaslo people in exactly five days. All went in small lots, 2000 shares being the largest block sold, yet many were disappointed. Orders for about 10,000 shares came in after the subscription books had been closed. The figure on the local holdings has already gone up. Forty cents was refused on a thousand shares the other day and many declare they will not sell below par, so great is the confidence in the property. Not a share is left of the 300,000 treasury stock and the holdings of the incorporators cannot be sold for one year. —*Kootenaian.*

A Follower of Dean Swift.

The witty old Dean of Dublin knew more, and told it, of the Art of Conversation than most people. Mrs. Worthington is his modern apostle and seeks to impress upon the people of this generation the need of cultivating this most agreeable of all arts, for art it is. Mrs. Worthington will lecture on "The Art of Conversation," at Bourne's Hall on Thursday next, and everyone interested in this most entertaining and instructive subject should attend. The lecture is illustrated by anecdotes and character sketches and is full of pathos and humor vividly described by a cultured elocutionist. Bourne's Hall, Thursday, August 27.

A Smooth Swindle.

"A printer giving the name of Howe, but who is thought to be another genius who possesses a ready turn of the pen, and who is well-known in Vancouver, has worked upon the people of Portland and other cities on the other side of the line to the tune of over $3,000. He represented that he had several valuable mining claims near Revelstoke and for $125 each offered to take a number of gentlemen up there and put them on to a "good thing." He was to meet them at Revelstoke in a month, but of course did not turn up. His victims sold out their businesses and gave up positions and left for Revelstoke, where they discovered that they had been tricked. Several of them are now in Rossland."

The above paragraph from the Vancouver *World* reads very much like a "fake," as no "gentlemen" who sold out businesses and gave up positions for a "good thing" at $125 have been seen around Revelstoke this summer, and if they had it is hardly likely they could catch on at that moderate figure. The paper publishing this harrowing tale is probably the only "victim" in the affair.

The Canyon Wants a Post Office.

The new government will soon have an opportunity in the mail service of B.C. to shew its good intentions to the people of this province. One place where the necessity of an office is badly felt is at Albert Canyon on the main line of the C.P.R., not far from Illecillewaet. This will probably be a place of importance if it becomes the outlet and trade supply point for the properties now located and worked on the north fork of the Illecillewaet. There are a number of miners and prospectors at work here and it is a hardship on these men to be deprived of a service when regular mail trains pass the place twice daily. At present the mail business for or from Albert Canyon is all done at Illecillewaet, which is 6 miles distant. When the new Postmaster-General gets down to business and looks into the mail facilities of B.C., the absence of an office at Albert Canyon should be remedied.

J. A. C. Has Been Here.

The Eastern papers that have so long been asleep and in ignorance of the riches of B. C., but whose eyes have been opened by 4 page advertisements of its mining companies, are now proving their fresh kindled zeal for our welfare by sending out correspondents to write us up. Here is what one budding Sala who signs himself J. A. C. (K-ASS being understood) says of Revelstoke in the *Mail-Empire*:—

"We arrived at Revelstoke in the afternoon, and a hotter and more dusty place it would be hard to find. Revelstoke is a point on the line of the Canadian Pacific that has achieved notoriety chiefly owing to the rise of Rossland, as it is the place where goods are transhipped from the main line down the Columbia river to Trail and Kootenay with its hundred mining camps. It is a small typical mining town, the houses built of pine boards, and there is an air of newness about the place that is depressing."

What a joke! What a verdant looking youth this must have been, and who was it took advantage of his verdancy to give him this story?

"Though Revelstoke is dusty enough at times, it isn't in it with other places in B.C., or for that matter in Ontario. But the joke of the thing is the "depressing" air of newness about the place, "that has achieved notoriety chiefly owing to the rise of Rossland."

Surely this rising young journalistic star must have worn *pince-nez* to appear distinguished, but which must have injured his sight so curiously has he viewed things. As for his conclusions they are so far from being correct that it is "depressing" to have to contradict them.

Revelstoke, young Mr. Sala, was a town of some importance before there was such a place as Rossland, and it achieved notoriety from its capital and central position for handling the trade of this great district. It is not depressingly new, but has steadily if slowly grown for nearly 8 years. It is surrounded by mineral fields rich in gold quartz and gravel, silver, copper, lead and asbestos, and is on the threshold of a mining excitement that will make your capable intelligence stagger. It is not built altogether of pine boards of the primitive kind which you suggest, but has good residences and comfortable hotels where "gentlemen" may be hospitably received who wish to know something about the place.

Such erratic and irresponsible ink daubers as this, who tries to be witty at the expense of truth and a towns reputation, ought to be kept at home by a reputable paper like the *Mail-Empire.*

A clay pigeon shoot is to be one of the attractions at the Kamloops Fall Exhibition. The general committee propose to donate $100 if the club raises the same. It would prove a drawing attraction to visitors from all over the Province.

Some young gentlemen on Tuesday night were very earnest and loud in informing the town that they were "jolly good fellows which nobody could deny." It has been denied several times since Tuesday.

PARLIAMENT OPENED.

J. D. EDGAR ELECTED SPEAKER OF THE COMMONS.

Basis of Settlement of the School Question said to be Agreed Upon—Minisuer Paterson Having a Hard Fight for a Seat in North Grey—Ontario's Secretary Dead.

The first session of the eighth parliament of Canada opened Thursday afternoon with the usual ceremonies. The Speech from the Throne after stating the reason for calling the House to be the necessity of making provisions for the public service, goes on to say that the operation of the tariff will be made the subject of careful inquiry, and that immediate steps will be taken to effect a settlement of the school question.

Sir Chas. Tupper asked that the debate on the address be deferred until monday, to which Premier Laurier consented.

J. D. Edgar was elected Speaker of of the Commons without opposition, on Wednesday.

It is said in well-informed circles that a basis of settlement of the school question has already been agreed upon.

The Conservatives are putting up a great fight against Hon. Mr. Patterson in North Grey. The poll will be taken on the 25th. Hon. Mr. Blair in Queen and Sunbury will be an easy winner.

W. D. Balfour, the newly appointed Provincial Secretary of Ontario, died in the Parliament buildings at 6 o'clock Wednesday.

Lord Chief Justice Russell is expected to visit Toronto.

Gaudaur and Stanbury are matched to row for the world's sculling championship at London, England, on September 5th.

A bill is to be submitted to the German reichstag demanding from 100,000,000 to 150,000,000 marks for naval purposes.

A German dispatch says that Chancellor Hohenlohe has resigned but that the Emperor is urging him to remain till after the Czar's visit.

Local and Personal Briefs.

Mr. Smith is about to build a two storey residence next to W. J. Lee's. The lumber is on the ground.

Charlie Wilson was down with the general complaint of the season but is getting around again.

Services at usual hours, morning and evening, in the Methodist church tomorrow. Rev. J. A. Wood, pastor.

A small fire on Wednesday evening occasioning some excitement was extinguished in a few minutes.

Mr. Cassell was in town Monday on his way back to Alaska. His bond on the True Fissure is off.

A good cigar is the ideal of a smokers enjoyment, buy a Kamloops one and you will smoke no other.

Fred Whitney, late steward of the Nakusp, is now engaged by the Omaha Grand Smelter and is looking into properties for them.

The funeral of little Gertie Donnelly, which occurred on Wednesday evening, was largely attended by friends of the sorrowing parents.

Clive Phillips-Woolley, Provincial Government Health Inspector, was in town Monday looking into sanitary matters.

If you want a cool, sweet and lasting smoke try a 10 cent package of TONKA Smoking Mixture. Be sure you get genuine.

Mr. Goepel, government auditor, was in town yesterday and went over the books of this office, needless to say he found them all right. He proceeded to-day to Donald and Golden.

Church of England services: Morning prayer, 10:30 a.m.; confirmation and holy communion 11 a.m.; evening prayer at 7:30 p.m. His Lordship the Bishop of the diocese of New Westminster will preach both morning and evening.

Jules Perrin is painting the MAIL building a most ethereal blue. Everyone says it looks heavenly. If you want an artistic piece of decorative work done give Jules a call as he's an artist.

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THE quartz development of the Big Bend is a matter of almost vital importance to the people of this town. The riches of this great country—as large as many a kingdom—lying to the north, and directly tributary to this place, cannot well be diverted. It is rich in gold ledges and gravels, silver, iron, and other minerals, and only awaits a cheap and efficient mode of transportation to come rapidly to the front as the richest portion of this already rich district. Old and practised prospectors, who have years ago trod every foot of this country, say that "the truest, biggest and richest leads in the province are to be found up in the Bend." Yet, little has been done to develop them for want of transportation. This year, it is said, has seen more assessments done than ever before, and everything that has been done proves the wealth of the mineral there.

Right through this rich section flows one of the greatest rivers in the extreme West, making a highway without an equal, yet almost entirely unused. This must not be; these riches must be developed; this natural highway utilised; this town built up. The gold quartz in this section can build up Revelstoke into a city much bigger than Rossland, for not only is the quartz richer, the ledges as strong and true, but the shipping facilities are much better and easier. There is a natural route for a railway up the Big Bend that would hit a rich mineral country for most of the way; that would traverse a great area of arable land up Canoe River, come out in rich Cariboo, and if necessary continue on to Alaska.

If the people of this province want a road to traverse the great north, here is the route that offers itself as more feasible and practicable than a dozen British Pacifics.

As a preliminary in opening up the claims in the Bend, to make them into shippers able to supply a railway, there is the great Columbia River, also an easy route for a waggon road. Something must be done, some action taken, to get a commencement made in the securing of cheap transportation for Big Bend ores; for it needs only a commencement, a workable commencement, to demonstrate the greater wealth of mineral than can be obtained by greater means.

NUMEROUS cases of illness this week renders it necessary for the people of the town to be more careful in their sanitary arrangements. The water in use, especially from one or two sources, should be used moderately for drinking, and then only when boiled. This period of the year is a dangerous one for disease, and if a typhoid epidemic gets started it is almost impossible to subdue without the expense of a few lives and much sickness.

COAST papers are all agog about wild cat mining schemes of the Kootenay. If we mistake not, there has been something of the same character on the coast before now and a ventilation of their affairs might be apropos to the press of that district. The Kootenay press, as may be judged by its strictures of recent wild cats, is not venal and will be the first to condemn anything injurious to the best interests of Kootenay. Again, when the coast papers speak of wild cats they only generalise. This is unfair, as if wild cats exist why not particularize them and stand the consequences. Give us particular instances?

A prospector has located the grave yard at Moab, Utah, as a placer claim.

Telegraphic Work In Russia.

The Russian Press gives some interesting particulars of the work done by the Telegraphic Department during the Imperial Coronation at Moscow. After particularising the special preparation made to meet the exceptional pressure, which included the employment of all the most skilful operators throughout Russia, and of over 100 instruments (80 Morse, 4 duplex, 25 Hughes, and 5 Wheatstone automatic), the writer goes on to say that foreign telegrams were transmitted as far as either Berlin or Vienna without a break, and by this means the celerity of the various despatches to foreign newspapers was ensured. The total number of words transmitted averaged for a fortnight from 380,000 to 420,000. The enterprise of the English and American journals attracted special notice. Telegrams of two or three thousand words were quite common, and on the Coronation day one telegram to the London *Standard* contained 10,591 words, at a cost of over 2,000 roubles. This was the longest single telegram despatched during the whole of the festivities.

Europe's Standing Army.

The whole of Europe is little better than a standing camp numbering millions of armed men, while a double row of frowning and opposing fortresses bristles along every frontier. Our harbours are stuffed and the sea swarms with ironclad navies, to whose number I am forced to admit England has been obliged in self-defence to add her modest quota. Even in the remotest East the passion for military expansion has displayed an unexpected development. In fact, thanks to the telegraph, the globe itself has become a mere bundle of nerves, and the slightest disturbance at any point of the system sends a portentous tremor through its morbidly sensitive surface. To-day it would suffice for any one of half-a-dozen august personages to speak above his breath or unwittingly to raise his little finger, and, like in a heaven overcharged with electricity, the existing condition of unstable equilibrium which sustains the European political system would be upset, and war, waged in circumstances of greater horror than has been hitherto known to the experience of mankind, might eventually envelop not Europe alone but two, nay, all the four, Continents at once, since in every one of them representatives and offshoots of the contending nations would of necessity be brought into collision.—Lord Dufferin.

Vocabulary of One Word.

"I shall never forget my first visit to Madrid," said a woman to the New York *Sun* man. "I was the only member of our party who knew any Spanish, and I knew but one word, that one being 'leche'—milk—but by means of gestures we managed to get along until breakfast was served. Then, as luck would have it, the maid brought my coffee without any milk, and also as luck would have it I promptly forgot the one word of Spanish that I knew, and which of all words was the one most wanted at that moment. This time neither gesture nor yelling were of any avail, so, at last, in desperation, I seized a piece of paper and a pencil and drew a picture of a cow. Whereupon the maid tripped off and came back with three tickets to the bull fight."

Every British soldier costs his country $400 every year.

A bicycle with wheels of pure gold has been presented to the Queen of Italy.

The largest standing army belongs to Russia, and the strongest navy to Great Britain.

The "five nations of Europe" own 2,310 warships, mounting 88,289 guns, all ready for immediate service.

The export prices of wheat since 1866 have varied from $1.87 in that year to an average price of 67c in 1894.

The greatest proportionate loss of officers to men in any battle was at the capture of Redan, where three officers were lost to every 21 men.

Since the Cuban war began the colonial debt of the island has been increased by $305,551,950. The previous debt was $163,551,950, making a total of $468,552,925.

A thousand shingles, laid with 4 inches of exposure to the weather, are said to cover 100 square feet of roof, and 5 pounds of shingle nails will be used in fastening them in position.

The first paper money issued in America was issued by Pennsylvania in 1723. In the early part of that year $15,000 were issued on the credit of the colony and a few months later $30,000 more followed.

The first currency issued by the whites within the limits of the United States was wampum, which was adopted by the Massachusetts colonists in 1607 in their intercourse with the Indians.

A feature of the Paris exposition of 1900 will be a section devoted to the history of Christianity from the beginning to the present day, with representations of the Temple of Jerusalem, the scenes of the [illegible] Christian Rome. [illegible] and the graves of the saints.

NIAGARA'S NEW BRIDGE.

It Will be One of the Wonders of the World.

The new metal arch bridge at Niagara Falls will be noteworthy in two respects. The new bridge is to be built over the old suspension structure, without interruption to the traffic on the latter. The span from end pier to end pier will be 840 feet, making it the largest span in the world.

The suspension bridge now in use, which has been familiar to all visitors to the great natural wonder for forty years will be kept in place until the new arch is ready, as it would be impossible to construct false works over the Niagara gorge to sustain a structure of this class.

The span will have a rise of 150 feet from the level of the piers at the skew-backs to the center of the ribs at the crown of the arch which point is 170 feet above low water. The depth of the trusses is 26 feet, and they will be 68.7 inches apart. The bridge will carry one floor, 46 feet wide, divided longitudinally into three parts. On the middle portion, which is 22 feet 9 inches wide, will be two trolley tracks. Each side of these tracks will be a roadway for carriages 8 feet wide and outside of these, raised 6 inches from the level of the roadway will be footpaths.

The construction of this remarkable span is from plans of L. L. Buck, engineer of the new East river bridge between New York and Brooklyn, and the author of the plans by which the railroad suspension bridge at Niagara was replaced by an arched bridge.

The approaching or flanking spans will be 190 feet long on the American side and 210 feet on the Canadian side. The total metal on the new structure will be about 4,000,000,000 pounds. Every confidence is expressed in Mr. Buck's ability to carry out his plans. The replacing of the railroad bridge by another without an hour's interruption of business was one of the engineering feats of the decade.

Those who have not seen the great structure at Niagara which it is intended to displace will hardly realize the stupendous character of the undertaking. Imagine the task of displacing the simplest sort of bridge without interrupting traffic, and then add about 1,000 per cent. to the difficulty. This will give something of an idea of what confronts engineers and builders.

In an undertaking of this nature the slightest error might be productive of infinite disaster. Every measurement must be accurate to a hair's breadth. Every portion of the great arch must perform its particular share of the great combination that will be one of the marvels of the world.

All that is done must be accomplished quickly, for in affairs of this nature time is, indeed, money. Every man who can be utilized will join the army of construction. Perhaps no work of recent years has required, or will yet need, more skilled labor. In fact, in bridge building it is becoming unsafe to utilize labor of any other class. The bridge, when complete, will in truth be a work of genius in point of construction, as well as point of conception.

The work of preparing the material for the great structure has been in progress for some time, as little can be accomplished in an enterprise of this nature until the preliminaries are complete. When the effort of placing the different parts of the bridge in position is begun Niagara will be one of the busiest of busy places.—*Railroad Gazette.*

In Ireland there are four packs of staghounds with 100 couples.

There are 20,000 hounds in Great Britain used for hunting purposes.

Henry III of England ordained that the English penny should equal the weight of thirty-two grains of wheat.

It is said that by a blunder of the maker the standard yard of the United States is 1-100 of an inch too long.

In 1324 a statute of Edward II of England commanded that three barley corns, dry and [illegible] to end, should be an inch.

An expurgated edition of "Tom Jones" is in course of preparation by Mrs. J. M. Fielding the wife of the novelist's great grandson.

The [illegible] La Morcia, Pride of Kamloops and Interior cigars are all manufactured by G. Borthwick & Co., Kamloops.

In the United States a driver of horses sits on the right and turns his team in that direction. In England the national custom is the reverse.

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SWEETHEARTS.

Bob and May were sweethearts.

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In those days May was a bright haired, high strung little girl of 14 whom Bob never called nor thought of as "redheaded."

Bob was a strong, good humored boy, not a bit afraid of work, and he had a way with him that gave him command of men and creatures. He rose rapidly in old man Love's employ from simple cow puncher to waggon boss, then foreman, and when he was only 25 went, with the approval and good will of his employer, to take the position of ranch manager for a Boston company.

All the world loves a lover. Bob was such a whole hearted one, his state of mind was so patent, he took such delight in it, wore his chains with such open pride and enthusiasm, that all the Panhandle felt with and for him.

And old man Love was pleased enough with the match and greatly given to bragging of Bob as a coming adjunct to the Love greatness, until the tragedy of the one horned brindle cow, which tore things all up generally, threatened to sever two loving hearts and darken forever Bob's and May's happy horizon.

This old cow—worth perhaps $7—bobbed up at one of the roundups sporting, in addition to the B N of the Boston National, which was facetiously known as the "Bean" brand, old man Love's (xxx).

Though very uncommon, such accidents may occur in the haste and confusion of branding without necessarily implying dishonesty on some one's part. While they do sometimes result in fights and killings they are easily enough adjusted between reasonable people, since any clever cattleman can readily tell which brand is of the longer standing.

But any cowboy on the range would have told you that while old man Love was square enough himself he was a crazy crank about the sacredness of his brand. His long suit was to jump up and down and swear that it never yet was on anything that wasn't his own. He invariably claimed an animal that bore it in addition to another brand (as did this old cow) however plainly it showed as the newer of the two, though as a matter of fact his branding irons were handled by just as many careless cowboys as any others.

If Bob had known what that aged and damaged brindle cow was going to cost him, he might perhaps have blinked his obvious duty and let old man Love have her—in the face of right and reason.

But he was not the man to be backed down by any one, and he dared the worst—and got it!

He held the cow for his company, after a fierce contest, and old man Love went home raging, to give his distorted version of the affair, issue orders that no member of his family was to speak to or of Bob from that time forth, and to remark significantly that he had far rather see a child of his married to a horse thief than to a person capable of such behavior.

Communication between the lovers had since been managed, once or twice, by the utmost stealth and secrecy. Having, by this means, been assured of his sweetheart's steadfastness and readiness Bob sent her word by one of her father's cowboys to ride a good horse past the half way branding pen, armed himself with a license and hung around the Triple X ranch for a week.

When May finally found the opportunity to slip away in the most careless manner, with one of the men's sombreros on and in the face of threatening weather, she received a rapturous welcome from the long banished Bob, and they promptly headed their ponies for Squire Wiley's, just the other side of Roaring creek, who was supposed to be holding himself in readiness for their visit.

What Mexican or other paid spy or what unfriendly or envious hand carried the news to *old* man Love will not be known, but he burst into one of his near cow camps at dinner, shortly after Bob and May's depature, like a roaring South African lion with mustard in his eye.

"The boys"—who knew well enough what was afoot, and what would be asked of them—dropped their tin cups and plates, jumped on their waiting ponies and were out of hailing distance before he fairly lit in their midst.

But old Hank Pearsall, *the* cook, was a new man, not long from southwest Texas, neither knowing of nor caring particularly for Bob Holly and his love affair. So he stood at his official post, at the tail end of the chuck wagon, and gave amiable attention to the impassioned harangue and singular antics of this new and entertaining employer.

Being commanded to come along and assist in dispersing Bob and rescuing May, he mounted a serious appearing but fitful tempered buckskin colored pony, with one white eye and much symmetry of bone—as much of a character in its way as Hank was in his—and started, with considerable interest and curiosity.

They rode hard and were near overhauling the lovers within a mile of Roaring creek. But while pursuer and pursued pushed on at their utmost pace another factor was coming with a hundred times greater speed to take a hand in the game.

The dry bed of roaring creek was just before them, beyond that a tiny rise, then an arrayo, and beyond that again the roof of the justice's house, just in sight. As Bob and May clattered over the creek bed and scrambled up onto the rise beyond, both looked back, and their ponies stopped, tossing their heads, pricking their ears and snorting at a curious humming sound that suddenly seemed to fill all the air about.

"Hurry up, darling," cried Bob, throwing out a hand to catch May's, "it's a big storm coming from above." But before they could descend the slope to cross the dry arroyo in front it was running from bank to bank and brimming over with a sudden flood of red, muddy water.

And even above the noise of the flood before them they heard a sound like the angry shouting of furious multitudes. Looking backward and up the creek whence the sounds came they saw a great, tumbling, shuddering wall—pushing before it and bearing upon its crest all imaginable sorts of debris—advancing down the dry creek bed with such a thunderous onslaught that the little mound on which they stood shook and seemed fairly to lower under their feet. They looked about them. The arroyo ran into the creek below. Above, both it and the creek had flooded out until they joined. Their little mound was an island, momentarily growing smaller, surrounded on every side by raging torrents, in which were driven and whirled whole trees, full grown cattle, with sometimes a fence post whose trailing wires had caught in their barbs all manner of ghastly wreckage.

Up came the water about them; down fell the big hail.

"It's a cloudburst above, darling," said Bob. "It won't last long—the water won't cover this rise."

"I'm not afraid, Bob," said May, with very white lips. "I'm glad I came anyhow. If we've got to die, we'll die together, and the way I've felt for the last three weeks I'm sure that's a heap better than living apart."

Bob jumped off his pony and lifted May from hers. The hail was coming bigger and beat cruelly upon them. He wrapped his slicker about her, pushed the ponies close together and sheltered her with them and his own body as best he could.

"We won't die," he said, "but, poor little girl, what an awful storm I've dragged you out into!"

Just then, from the farther bank of the creek, above the awful howling of the storm, came this intelligent command in old man Love's ear splitting tones:

"May Love! You come here to me this minute!" And May laughed hysterically.

"Well, he can't get at us anyway—but the hail can. Oh, look at your poor hands! Oh, Bob, I can't bear it—put the slicker back on!"

"Why, honey," said Bob as the tears came in earnest now, "I'd get pounded just the same anyhow, and you must let me have the comfort of keeping some of it off you—it ain't a patchin on the way your pa would do me if he could get me right now."

While the storm raged and the water rose nearly to their feet, Hank Pearsall had the almost exclusive benefit of old man Love's remarks, since only his wildest shrieks reached the young couple, who were too much absorbed in each other to heed either him or the storm very much.

These remarks disagreed with Mr. Pearsall, who was notoriously a man of judgment and observation.

"What's the matter with that young feller?" he queried angrily. "Watch him a-standin to the north'ard uv his gal, a-keeping the hail offen her! He ain't no chump! If he keeps that lick up right through, he'll make a better husband'n what you ever did!"

About this time, the hail ceasing, the expectant justice came down to the farther bank of the arrayo. The water was going down visibly, but its roar was still considerable.

"Ho, Bob!" yelled the justice, above its sound, "got your license?"

Bob took it out and waved it above his head.

Old man Love could not from where he stood hear a word, but he surmised what had been said, and the sight of the document was a livid red rag to the bull.

"I dare ye to marry 'em," he screamed. "I dare ye to do it!" And in an ecstasy of rage and anxiety he forced his pony down into the foaming creek among the whirling drift, where he was promptly pitched off by the terrified creature, which instantly returned. Pearsall, at the risk of his own life, had to fish him out, receiving plenty of abuse for his pains and returning it with bitter irony.

In two minutes' time the shallower arrayo was fordable, though the creek, down which big drift continued to come, was not. Bob set May on her pony, mounted his own and prepared to ride out. The sight of the justice—a plains Cupid, with boots, slicker and cowboy hat—preparing to take charge of the pair was too much for old man Love, and dismounted as he was he plunged, in a delirium of rage, into the creek, spluttering and yelling:

"Stop! Hold on! You just dare!"

May hesitated, frightened, but old Hank Pearsall yanked her father out again and set him on dry land, snorting:

"Doggone ye! I pulled y' out onct before! What fer cain't ye stay out? Huh?

"When ye try buckin agin a boy like that, backed by a Texas norther, you're agoin to git left—don't ye know it? That kid's got a double cinch on providence! Bet ye he had this hyer storm staked out!

"Go it feller! Go it gal! I'm with ye ever time—I'm fer ye! Yer the right sort! I wouldn't hender ye fer all the durned old snake bit fools in Texas! I'll jist gether up the scraps o' this ole eejit an tote 'em back to the ranch."

And as May and Bob rode off, tattered, beaten, draggled, but obliviously blissful and jaunty, a faint hail followed them:

"Goodby, kids—wish yer joy! Come on ole calamity!"—Alice MacGowan in Chicago Herald.

Bullets Wear Out Rifles.

There is one thing which users of the new high velocity of 30-caliber have to consider, and that is the effect of the copper or nickel jacket on the grooves of the rifle, says the New York *Sun.* A bullet that leaves the muzzle of a rifle at a velocity of 2,000 feet a second is so wearing on the rifling, especially near the muzzle, that the accuracy of even the hardest-bored rifles is seriously impaired inside of 12,000 shots at the most. The lead bullets, or those but slightly hardened with a mixture of tin, do not wear the barrels to the same extent, and the barrels last far longer.

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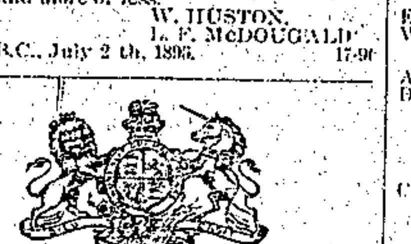
W. HUSTON,
I. F. McDOUGALD.

Nakusp, B.C., July 2 th, 1896. 17-9t



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a sitting of the County Court will be holden at Revelstoke, B.C., on Wednesday, the 26th day of August, A.D., 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

JOS. D. GRAHAM,
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Revelstoke, July 17th, 1895. 12-6t

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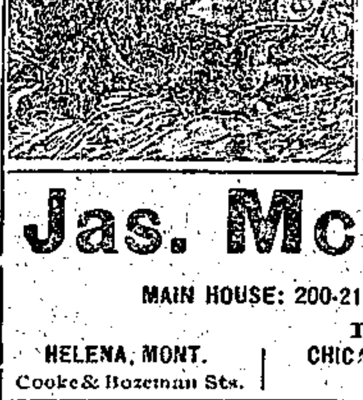
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BORN.

NASH.—At Revelstoke, Monday, Aug. 17, the wife of H. Nash of a son.

MARRIED.

EDWARDS—WEAVER.—At the residence of E. Toombs, Revelstoke, on Saturday, Aug. 15, by Rev. Woodsworth, Geo. H. Edwards to Miss S. Weaver.

DIED.

DONNELLY.—At Revelstoke, on Sunday, Aug. 16, Gertrude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Donnelly, aged 15 months.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL BRIEFS

Pete Arena is in town again.

J. D. Sibbald arrived Wednesday.

Bert Temple is back from the Coast.

Gus Lund arrived Monday evening.

Miss Sweet arrived from Vernon yesterday.

Pete Walker left for Trout Lake, Monday.

Andy Craig arrived in town from Thomson's Sunday.

Tom Horne came in from his Duncan trip, Sunday.

J. W. Haskins went up the Bend again Thursday morning.

Miss Chase is back from her visit to friends at Red Deer.

A number of new buildings are going up at the station.

R. A. Pease, of the N.W.T., is visiting his brother.

Mrs. Turnross has had a cow mutilated by some one of the Italians.

Hon. J. H. Turner was on No. 2 this morning and went on to Banff.

Miss Lay, of Halcyon Hot Springs, spent a few days in town this week.

A. W. McIntosh is back from the Keystone Mountain claims in the Bend.

Murdy McRae, looking very well, arrived back from his Vancouver visit, Thursday.

G. Dennis and W. D. Manly, both of Kaslo, were in town Wednesday.

J. C. McLagan, of the Vancouver *World*, went through to-day to the East.

Miss Field will deliver her lecture on palmistry at Peterson's Hall this evening at 8:30.

E. Adair, J. Bellway, J. Craven and J. A. Magee arrived up from Lardeau yesterday.

Get a Kamloops cigar made at home with union labor and enjoy a good smoke.

Tom McRae, who was in charge of the Boyd Creek trail for a time, arrived in town Friday.

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Charlie Abrahamsen and J. C. Montgomery left for Keystone Mountain Thursday morning.

Oliver Redpath and Isaac Lougheed, two of Revelstoke's old timers, are in town looking around them.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described pastoral land: Commencing at a point where the south line of Alexander McRae's preemption claim intersects the N.W. shore of Arrow Lake, thence west 80 chains, thence south 40 chains more or less to lake, thence following shore of lake to starting point.

J. A. MAGEE.

Lardeau, B.C., Aug. 21st, 1895. 1-9t

Notice to Creditors.

THE CREDITORS of the late William Brooks Tunbridge and J. B. Hoar, free miners, deceased, late of Trout Lake, in the District of West Kootenay, are required within thirty days of this date, to forward by registered letter all any) held by them. After the expiration of the said thirty days the Gold Commissioner will proceed with the distribution of the said estate having regard to those claims only of which he shall have had notice.

Dated at Revelstoke, B.C., this 2nd day of August, A.D. 1895.

J. D. GRAHAM, Gold Commissioner.

Revelstoke Division, West Kootenay District. 15-4t

Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership heretofore existing between J. Dawson, B. Craddock & Co. and conducting the hotel business at the Halcyon Hot Springs, West Kootenay District, has been dissolved by mutual consent.

The same will now be known as that of Sanderson & Lay. All outstanding accounts are to be paid to Sanderson & Lay to whom all debts of the firm are to be presented.

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Halcyon Hot Springs, Aug. 20th, 1895. 15-3t

NOTICE.

I, CHARLES BELLARD, intend after sixty days to apply to the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land: Starting from J. A. Magee's south-west corner post, thence one half mile north, thence one-half mile west, thence one-half mile south, one-half mile east to place of commencement, this land being situate in the Lardeau District, West Kootenay.

CHARLES BELLARD.

Lardeau, B.C., Aug. 16, 1895. 17-9t

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that within 60 days from date I intend making application to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase land in Lardeau District of West Kootenay, described as follows: Commencing at A. McRae's S.E. corner stake; thence west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains to starting point.

CORY MENHINICK.

Laydeau, July 11th, 1895. 15-9t

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that within 60 days from date I intend making application to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of pasture land in Lardeau District of West Kootenay, described as follows: Commencing at a post marked J. A. Magee's S.E. corner, situated at the S. W. corner of Alexander McRae's preemption, thence north 160 chains, west 10 chains, south 160 chains, east 10 chains to starting point.

J. A. MAGEE.

13-10t Victoria, July 11th, 1895.

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