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To Miners and Prospectors.

It is our desire to have the MAIL known far and wide as a reliable A 1 mining paper. To this end we ask the help of all prospectors and mining men who have the interest of the North Riding of West Kootenay at heart. It is in your power to give us very material help by sending in scraps of mining news which would otherwise remain unpublished. Every item, no matter how trivial it may appear to you, will be acceptable. If you have no pen, write with a pencil; if no paper, just tick it down on a piece of birch bark. If you are out of stamps send it all the same, we'll attend to that. Never mind grammatical compositions, flowing language, or elegant handwriting, just send us the facts; we'll do the rest. We ask only one thing: Do not exaggerate.

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WEST KOOTENAY'S ONLY SMELTER.

A MINING MOVE IN B. C.

News has been received of a move that will be of great interest to all who have mining investments in the Kootenay country. Several leading business men of British Columbia have joined forces with eastern Americans in the promotion of one of the most extensive schemes known to the history of this rich mineral region. For a long time it has been known that one of the chief reasons for the comparative standstill in this section is the excessive tariff that all ores coming out of its mines have been made to suffer. Owing to a combination of inadequate transportation in the immediate vicinity of the mines, the long hauls necessary to convey the products to the smelters on the American side, and the tax at the line, only high grade ores could be handled to any advantage or profit. This necessarily left a large number of valuable medium and low grade properties idle on the hands of the owners. But American enterprise was not long to be baffled by such difficulties, and the solution of the problem appears to have been reached. As the result of the efforts of Andrew. B. Hendryx of New Haven, Conn., and Mr. Joshua Davis, of Victoria, B.C., a company has been formed to be known as the Kootenay Mining and Smelter Co., with a paid-up capital of $2,250,000, which has been subscribed in New Haven, Minneapolis, and Victoria, B.C. E. W. Herrick, a Minneapolis capitalist, is the president of the new company; R. P. Rithet, of Victoria, B.C., is the vice-president, and Joshua Davis, E. Crow Baker, W. H. Ellis, W. P. Sayward, W. J. Macaulay, James Hutcheson and Headly Chapman, all of whom rank high in the business circles of British Columbia, are associated with them in the enterprise. Pilot Bay is the geographical centre of the Kootenay country, commanding on the one hand the rich Slocan with its high grade silver-lead ores, and on the other the copper, silver, and lead of Ainsworth and Nelson, with all their intermediate points. At Pilot Bay, and owned by the company, is the Blue Bell mine, one of the largest and most valuable deposits of fluxing ores in America. Such is the favorable location which the company has selected as the base of their operations. The plant as designed will accommodate four stacks, each of 100 tons capacity. Seven large buildings have already been completed for the works and three others are under way. Over 200 tons of the most modern machinery has been received and is now being put into place, while several carloads more are on the way from the east. The plant will be the most modern and complete that money can buy. Extensive wharves are being erected along the water front, and apparatus will be placed for the handling of ores in large quantities.

The works will be in operation before the first of October next, with one 100-ton stack in full blast for the reduction of silver-lead ores. The three other stacks will be added as fast as the district develops, and it is designed to give the treatment of copper ores the same attention as lead ores. In fact all ores that can be handled to profit and advantage will be purchased and treated by the company.

In addition to the smelter proper, the works will include a 300-ton sampling plant, a 200-ton concentrator, a refinery capable of treating all the bullion produced, and the finest laboratory and assay office in the west.

The new works will create a demand for the now unused volume of medium grade ores of Kootenay, thus greatly increasing the extent and profit of all operations in the vicinity. The company does not propose to stop with the production of bullion, and its separation into base and precious metals. Works will be established for the manufacture of pig lead into white lead, sheet lead, lead pipe, etc., and an attempt will be made to supply Canada and the Orient with lead and lead products.

There can be no doubt but that the scheme will go ahead all right. Messrs Hendryx and Herrick are pioneers of the British Columbia mining regions contained within the Kootenay country. Mr. Hendryx is the founder of the Andrew B. Hendryx Co. of New Haven, Conn., whose goods are well-known on both sides of the Atlantic. He is a practical and successful mechanic and business man, and under his management the works will be skilfully handled. R. P. Rithet, the vice-president, is British Columbia's leading business man. He is at the head of the firm of R. P. Rithet & Co., Victoria, and Welch & Co. of San Francisco, is largely interested in the sugar trade of the Sandwich Islands and China, has extensive steamboat interests, owns the Enderby flour mills, and large wharves at Victoria, is interested in lumbering enterprises, and has an interest in the Albion Iron Works and other business concerns. He has been mayor of Victoria and president of the British Columbia Board of Trade, and holds to-day a foremost position as a progressive commercial man. Mr. Joshua Davies, who has the handling of the business in Victoria, is well-known as a man of sound business integrity and ability, and there is not a name on the list but belongs to a man who is known to make a success of whatever he undertakes.—*Canadian Engineer.*

GENERAL NEWS.

Plans have been prepared for a mining laboratory to be established in Ottawa at a cost of $2,500.

H. M. S. Royal Arthur returned to Esquimalt on Sunday. Her departure from Vancouver was somewhat hurried owing to the discovery of a case of measles on board.

Toronto had five incendiary fires on Monday. The most serious was in the afternoon at the corner of Bay and Melinda streets where frame stores occupied by Messrs. Ferguson, builder; Ames, tailor; and Hunker, stamp maker, were burned; loss $7,000, insurance one half.

A Manchester man has invented a self-acting coupler, which he claims will couple any number of cars in as many seconds. The uncoupling can be done as fast as a man can walk from one end of the train to another. The present system of chains remains unaltered, and there is said to be no danger of accidental uncoupling.

The receipts of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company to the end of July this year showed an increase of over $31,000 over the figures of last year. The revenue from the Saguenay route alone has been nearly double that of last year. Things have seemed to take an upward turn with this company from the moment the management was assumed by Mr. Gildersleeve.

The Ontario Bureau of Mines has ordered a diamond drill to be used in the exploration for the minerals in the mineral lands of the province. The drill, which will have boring capacity of from 1200 to 1500 feet, with a core of 13-16 inches in diameter, is being manufactured by the Sullivan machine company of Chicago, and Claremont, N. H. The engine and pump will be secured in Canada.

The total catch of seal skins by American and British vessels to August 6th is 63,664. Since the list was made, a number of vessels have arrived at Vancouver with a larger catch than appears in the list. It is said, however, that the figures of last year cannot be overcome, as there is a difference of over 10,000. In consequence interested parties are holding out for better prices than are now offered.

The Memramcook, N. B., gold mine, about which such great things have been prophesied during the past few months, has turned out a "fizzle," and the feelings of those who had put money into the venture may be imagined. The average of the dozens of samples which were assayed at the time the new company was formed showed a result equal to something over $3.00 of gold to the ton. Later assays, made on the material worked by means of the new machinery recently purchased with the aid of the investors' money, show a result of something like 2 cents to the ton. Whether the mine was salted, or whether the first samples were taken from a narrow vein of good ore, which subsequent operations have left untouched, is a question yet to be settled by the indignant shareholders.

ANOTHER BIG STRIKE STARTED.

New England the Battle Ground.

Nearly 11,000 operatives in New Bedford, Mass., went out on strike last Monday morning. The machinery of but 5 of the 27 mills in the city is in motion, and it is thought these mills will soon shut down with the others. Secretary Ross, of the Spinners' Union, says that the members of his union have lined up for a long struggle.

The strike promises to be the most important which has ever occurred in the textile industry in Massachusetts. Manufacturers will have to fight perfectly organized unions, some of which are fairly wealthy; notably the Spinners' Union, which has a fund aggregating at least $30,000.

A Private Newspaper.

An English paper says: Very few people, even in England, are aware of the fact that there is a newspaper printed and published in London of which not a single copy is offered for sale. It appears on no bookstalls, falls into the hands of not a single newsboy, and the shops and news agents know it not. The paper referred to is the *Evening Telegraph*, which is produced by the proprietors of the *Daily Telegraph*, with the view of preventing the issuing of an "Evening Telegraph," and the use of a name which the owners of the morning paper have made a valuable property.

GOLD IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

BEATS EVEN BIG BEND.

Stories of wonderful gold discoveries in Western Australia have been confirmed this week by an official dispatch. Details of the principal find near Coolgardie reached London some days ago. A party of six were returning from an unsuccessful prospecting tour on May 8th. When in camp one night they separated to test and examine the neighborhood. A man named Mills came across one of the large "blows" characteristic of the country. He was astonished on rubbing his hand across a protruding piece of stone to see gold standing out prominently. He knocked a large piece off the boulder and at his feet lay a magnificent specimen literally studded with gold, while before him, dazzling his eyes, was a magnificent reef of almost pure gold, a fortune in itself. Mills took several of the pieces, and after covering the reef with earth found his companions. The next morning they staked off 25 acres, and the adjoining blocks at each end were taken up. One man went to town and bought a "dolly," the largest he could procure. In one day they dollied 1,000 oz., and in a short time they had nearly $100,000 worth of ore. On June 23rd they packed it in a cart and landed the treasure at the Union Bank. The manager weighed the gold and it turned the scales at 4280 ounces. A few days after this the discovery became public. One lump has been taken from the reef containing more gold than ore. It weighed 240 pounds and is worth $20,000. Of course, there is immense excitement in the region and many other discoveries are reported, but there is unlikely to be anything left for late comers.

PREHISTORIC FOOTPRINTS.

Peculiar Marks Found on a Block in a Texas Canyon.

In the Palo Duro canyon, Texas, the hacking away of a large piece of alluvial earth has recently revealed a singular trace of prehistoric life. This consists of the unmistakable trail of some large animal going over the rocks, followed by another, probably of the human kind, or at any rate of a gigantic specimen of the ape. That it is the former is the more likely, as the monkey tribe, except in the smallest families, is not found on this continent or in South America. The first animal, judging from the marks it left on the then impressionable rock, was of the reptile family, for its tail, soft underneath, though weighed with scales sufficiently to make it heavy enough to make it drag an inch and a-half deep, made a broad, smooth trench, while the claws by which it assisted itself were of the true alligator type—webbed between. These claws were nearly five inches long, and were evidently intended to aid the creature in climbing on land, as its webbed membrane served it for swimming in water.

But more curious are the marks of the animal which pursued it. These are of two hands, nearly three times the size of an ordinary man's hand, and those of two active feet, both hands and feet possessing five members, though all of equal length except the thumb. This, while shorter, is yet longer in proportion by half an inch than is found in man of to-day. It was also of unusual strength, sinking much deeper than the rest of the hand into whatever it seized upon. The nails are curved and very powerful, those of the feet being particularly so, grasping the rock firmly.

Another singular thing in connection with the remains is the position of the marks. They are carved in a rock standing nearly perpendicular to the bed of the ancient river, 900 feet below, and which must once have been as wide as the Mississippi, and of a current sufficiently strong to cut its way through these granite rocks. This position of the remains would indicate that the reptile swarming up from the stream was pursued by the other animal, and probably killed on land. This part of the country is pronounced by geologists to be amongst the most ancient formations of the continent.

The rock on which these marks are to be found is about fifty feet below the surface of the earth, and are only to be reached by one swinging over the side of the precipice. They were discovered by an amateur geologist of the locality, who, noting the fall of the soil, went down in the hopes of adding to the rich antediluvian spoils this chasm has yielded. Plaster casts have been taken of the prints and will be forwarded to the state museum at Austin. The marks are plainly visible from a ledge some 50 feet down the side of the canyon, and from there have been viewed by all in that section interested in such matters.

Many tinplate works in the south of Wales are preparing to resume operations as the result of the passage of the American tariff bill.

WEST KOOTENAY ORE FOR SWANSEA SMELTERS.

W. PELLEW HARVEY BUYING FOR VIVIAN & SONS.

Among the Lytton's passengers on her down trip last Tuesday morning was Mr. Pellew Harvey, assayer, Vancouver. He is visiting the Slocan and Toad Mountain districts with a view to purchasing ore for shipment to Swansea. Mr. Harvey paid a five weeks' visit to England last winter, taking with him some 350 specimens of ore, which were representative of almost every mine in B. C. These he exhibited at the office of the Agent-General for British Columbia, Mr. H. C. Beeton, and they attracted widespead attention, being inspected by the representatives of the greatest handlers of ores in Great Britain; and in not a few instances those anxious for information had travelled long distances to inspect the collection. Amongst those most favorably impressed were Lord Swansea, of Vivian & Sons, Swansea, and Mr. Lewis, of Jas. Lewis & Sons, Liverpool, who, after fully investigating the whole matter, commissioned Mr. Harvey to purchase ore for shipment to Swansea and Liverpool. Mr. Harvey said that he had completed all arrangements for shipment *via* Montreal, and was prepared to offer prices which could not be discounted by the American smelters. In fact, last Monday he had purchased two carloads of ore from the Jumbo mine at Illecillewaet, (J. Grant) for which an offer had been made by smelter companies across the line. Furthermore, he was prepared to purchase unlimited quantities. In this connection he said that if the volume of business would warrant it, he had reason to believe the firm of Vivian & Sons would establish a permanent agency in this province. He intended going first to Nakusp to see Byron White, and would then go all through the mining country, and would negotiate for the 100 tons which have been taken from the Silver King.

Referring to his trip to England, Mr. Harvey said that the very meagre provision made for our Agent-General was a matter of regret. The salary, only amounts to $1,000 a year, which he thought entirely insufficient, and it would be quite impossible for our representative to manage with this small salary were he not a gentleman of considerable private means, which he uses liberally in maintaining the position. As it is, the office accommodation is totally inadequate and entirely unworthy of the province. Mr. Harvey thinks this should be remedied at once by the Government, and provision made for proper accommodation, where an exhibit of the products of the province could be made, in which the most important—that of mining—could have its proper place.

Speaking of advertising the province, Mr. Harvey said it was a difficult matter in England to obtain reliable information regarding British Columbia mines, and in this connection he would strongly advocate some such scheme as proposed by "Miner" in the MAIL some weeks ago, but he was not in favor of having assayers bonussed by the Government. He would favor a mining bureau, conducted much the same as a mercantile agency. This bureau to have reliable correspondents in all mining camps. The information thus obtained to be collated and published periodically under the auspices of the bureau, thereby giving it the stamp of genuineness and authority. There was a movement on foot now with this object in view amongst mining men on the coast, in which he thought they should have the active assistance of those in the interior. It was hoped, by the establishment of some such bureau, to demonstrate the importance of having a centre where authentic information could always be had by intending investors, when possibly the Government, seeing the absolute necessity of such an institution, would establish a mining bureau under the supervision of a responsible minister, the deputy head of which should be a thoroughly qualified mining engineer.

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BIG BEND.

CARNES CREEK.

Last spring the Terryberry brothers located two and half miles of the creek from the mouth upwards, which they hold under a lease from the Government for a term of five years. With them are associated Messrs. Fred. Robinson, Morgan David, Daniel Robinson and Robert Howson. It was proposed to erect a sawmill and flume the creek, but nothing can be done until the high water subsides. Years ago, considerable gold was extracted from these claims, but difficulty was experienced in controlling the water. It is hoped by constructing a substantial flume that bedrock can be reached, and there is no doubt but what a well-directed effort will be made to work this long stretch of placer ground in a practical manner.

Farther up the creek, above the forks, Richard McVittie, Cummings, Paterson and others are endeavoring to reach bedrock on an abandoned claim which was located years ago. No account has been received recently of their operations.

About ten miles up the creek, a number of Revelstokians are interested in a quartz location. The amount of ore in sight for a surface prospect is simply extraordinary. It having been recently located no development has been done. The company owning this property are all Revelstokians, viz., Messrs. John Boyd, T. T. Brewster, C. H. Temple, Dr. McLean, Thos. Kilpatrick, Wm. Caldwell, W. Cowan, F. Fraser, J. M. Kellie and F. McCarty. The vein is in a contact and is a strong, well-defined ledge.

The Aberdeen, located by T. W. Bain, is another claim further north on the same vein, assays of which give a fairly good showing for a surface prospect, running about an ounce of gold per ton.

The Hardpan, located last August, is owned by Messrs. J. M. Kellie, John Boyd, J. W. Emerson of New York City; S. P. Flynn, Michigan; J. and John Campbell of Port Blakely Mills, Seattle; A. H. Jose, C. H. Reitzer and Michael Eaxles of Seattle. The Revelstoke company have another location on the same vein.

DOWNIE CREEK.

The Grub Stake mineral claim, located over the divide on the Downie Creek slope at a high altitude, is a ledge about 100 feet wide and is owned by the parties interested in the Hardpan claim. An analysis of the ore in Seattle gave $8 in cobalt, with a low percentage of nickel, and traces of gold and silver not exceeding $5.00 per ton. This claim is also a contact vein between slate and granite.

QUARTZ MINING.

The quartz claims on Carne's Creek which have been so far located are all contact veins, and are remarkable for their width. None of the assays so far made exceed $22.00 in gold per ton. There is no question about the immense size of the veins or that the ore bodies are very large. Further development in this gold-bearing formation will be watched with considerable interest, as there is every reason to believe that the Carne's Creek placers are equally as rich as those on French and McCulloch Creeks.

Quartz mining in Big Bend is as yet an unknown industry. There is not yet a stamp mill in the whole district, but some splendid specimens of gold ore have been brought down at various times, all free-milling and easily treated. If a small mill could be erected on one of the above-named creeks, it would be the start of what will shortly become a gigantic industry. The only thing needed is capital for the first outlay—the price of the machinery, packing it up and erecting it. If the quartz ledges in Big Bend are anything at all like the samples shown in Revelstoke, there can be no doubt that vast fortunes are awaiting the men who can afford to put up stamps and work these ledges in a systematic manner. We have gold quartz in Big Bend quite as rich as those South African mines which are paying such handsome dividends.

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A MINING BUREAU.

IT is most gratifying to see that some articles recently published in this paper are already bearing fruit. It will be remembered that we advocated the creation of a mining bureau, the Minister of Mines to hold the single portfolio, the appointment of a deputy whose duty would be to visit the mines and make reports thereon, and the payment of, say, half a dozen efficient assayers to ensure faithful reports of assays made for the Minister of Mines, a fixed salary being probably the best means that could be employed to place the assayers beyond reach of those unscrupulous mining men who are so often willing to pay for a fake report. Under this plan it would be almost impossible to work any wildcat scheme in this province, as the assayer making a false report would be punished by dismissal.

Mr. W. Pellew Harvey, formerly of Golden, but now superintendent of the Cassel Gold Extracting Co. at Vancouver, who made the assays for the Government of the ore sent to the World's Fair, is now in the Kootenay country for the purpose of buying ore for two large smelting firms in Liverpool and Swansea. In an interview on Monday Mr. Harvey said he was entirely in accord with such a proposal, with the exception of the bonusing of assayers. He also said that mining men on the coast were favorable to it, and that steps were about to be taken to bring the matter to the notice of the Government, with strong hopes that the mining interests of the province will shortly be placed on a more satisfactory footing than at present.

A CANADIAN MINT.

IT will also be remembered that two months ago we advocated the establishment of a mint in Canada. In fact, we went further, and said the mint should be situated where the gold and silver mines were—that British Columbia was the proper place for it. Mr. Mara brought the matter before the Ottawa Parliament recently, and urged the Government to coin their own money from the precious metals raised within the Dominion. Whether Mr. Mara took his hint from the MAIL we cannot say, but his effort was most laudable, and it is to be hoped his statements will be favorably considered by the powers that be. There is no earthly need for a gold and silver producing country like Canada to send across the sea for her coinage. With a mint in Vancouver, or even in Winnipeg or Toronto our Big Bend miners will not be compelled to send their gold dust and nuggets to San Francisco, as is the case now. Mr. Mara is certainly becoming more alive to his exceptional opportunities as the representative of a great mining country.

LARDEAU WAGON ROAD.

ABOUT twenty-five of the men employed on the Lardeau-Trout Lake wagon road arrived here on Thursday night, on conclusion of the work. The road is within three miles of Trout Lake, and the right of way cleared for a mile or so further on. Surveyor R. H. Lee made an estimate of $12,000 as the cost of the road, and the Government made a supplementary appropriation which brought the sum voted altogether up to Mr. Lee's estimate, which would have been sufficient had all the cuttings been as easy as they looked. But in some places when the earth cap was removed solid rock lay a few inches below, necessitating expensive blasting operations. At Stauber Lake and the beaver meadows the road had to be raised along a bench six or eight feet high and in some places corduroy has been laid down, on account of swampy ground. The road is said to be excellent for driving, and Mr. Ross, the superintendent, is to be congratulated. Some men in charge of W. Vickers are out on the road about two miles from Thomson's watching the bush fires that have come pretty near burning up the corduroy.

In round figures the money spent on trails, roads and bridges has been:—Lardeau wagon road, pay roll to end of July, $9,000; Fish Creek and Lardeau trails, $1,000; Hall's Landing, $200; Illecillewaet, $340; Carne's Creek, $200; Big Bend trails and bridges, $6,600. Expenditure included in account for last fiscal year, $4,000. There is still a further expenditure of $4,000, which includes wages on the road for August and the Black Prince trail.

Reports to the Department of Interior state that the crops west of Regina and in the Calgary district are very poor this year, owing to the long continued drouth.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

LARDEAU.

More than 50 men are at present engaged in placer mining on the Lardeau River.

Edward Adair came up on the Arrow Thursday night, bringing some fine specimens of galena from a claim he has just located on the Duncan River slope of the divide on the north fork of the Lardeau. It was discovered on the 12th inst. The claim is only half a mile east of the famous Glengarry group and the ore will have to be shipped out by way of Trout Lake or Fish Creek. The ledge is 16 feet wide, with a solid vein of ore, varying from three to five feet, and lies between line and slate. Mr. Adair named his new-found wealth the "Edna Alice." An assay will be made by Mr. Holdich.

C. AND K. MINING CO.

B. I. Cornish, of Vancouver, a director of the Cariboo and Kootenay Mining Co. was in town on Tuesday. He went down the river the same day to inspect the company's mile and a-half claim on the Lardeau River. Mr. O. D. Hoar, the manager, has just completed the wing-dam there and has gone to the North Fork to re-stake some claims for this company.

THE UNION CLAIM.

Work on this claim, which is owned by Mr. H. A. Brown and located on the South Fork, 8 miles from Trout Lake, is still suspended owing to high water. The ground has been prepared and lumber for the flume got out and everything is ready for a start immediately the water recedes.

TROUT CREEK.

I. S. Freeze, of Calgary, returned from that place on Monday and went down the river Tuesday evening. He had left six men at work on his claim on Cariboo Creek and was going down to see what progress had been made. He was accompanied by Messrs. Jas. Ryan and J. Creighton, both of Calgary.

Some magnificent specimens of gold-bearing pyrites were sent to Mr. Holdich, for an assay, from Trout Creek, this week. The samples were taken from a lead which is said to be of immense size. The assay gives $200 to the ton.

BIG BEND.

The Roseberry claim is a new location made on Carnes Creek by the Revelstoke Prospecting Co. An assay made on Thursday by Mr. A. H. Holdich gave very good results for a surface sample. It went $47 in gold to the ton.

P. F. Bowerman, on Monday last, recorded a placer claim, located by himself next to the Highlander on French Creek, for the Tennessee Hydraulic Placer Co. The claim runs half a mile south-east along the creek, in a section believed to be rich in coarse gold and nuggets. Bedrock is fifty feet down.

A strong mining company was formed in Revelstoke last spring, comprising ten of our prominent citizens. The company has recently recorded three claims on Carnes Creek, located by John Boyd. A meeting was held at the station on Tuesday when the business touched mostly on financial matters. It is proposed to prosecute work on their claims with all possible speed, and from the immense surface showing there is little doubt that these properties will be ranked among the dividend-payers at no distant date.

SMITH CREEK MINING CO.

F. T. Kegler, one of the partners in the above company, returned to town on Thursday after spending two weeks at the company's claim at Smith Creek. This was Mr. Kegler's first visit to the Big Bend country, and from what he says he has been most favorably impressed with its possibilities. In his opinion this country has scarcely been prospected as yet and operations have been carried on, except in one or two cases, in the most crude manner, without the necessary appliances to really demonstrate the possibilities of the country, which he thinks are exceptionally great, and he has no doubt whatever that it will be an easy matter to interest capital if any effort is made in that direction. He visited most of the mines on the creeks emptying into Gold Stream and says their owners have every reason to congratulate themselves upon such promising properties. He was particularly impressed with the manner in which Mr. Nestelle is working the ground owned by the Fairhaven people, and says that that gentleman evidently knows what he wants and how to get at it. On the Smith Creek claim they have put the shaft down 18 feet, but this has filled with water, the hand-pump being of little utility, and operations have been suspended awaiting the erection of a wheel which is now being constructed. Five men are employed on this claim. Mr. Kegler brought down $16 in gold which was taken out of the prospect hole, and which he considers an excellent showing. Yesterday he recorded an adjoining claim of 100 feet, naming it the Alice, which he considers a likely proposition. He came down for supplies and will return in about ten days. He expects to put in the winter there.

THE NUGGET CLAIM.

Richard Herrick arrived down from French Creek on Thursday, where he has been engaged, together with his partner Evans, making the necessary repairs to their claims which were damaged by high water. On the Nugget, which adjoins the Vandall, there are six men employed. They have built an 8 ft. wheel and put in a six inch 32 ft. pump, besides erecting the necessary buildings for which over 4,000 ft. of lumber was required. These repairs are only just completed, and Mr. Herrick left immediately for the purpose of getting an outfit for their other claim, the Little Falls, upon which five men will be put to work forthwith.

THE FAIRHAVEN PROPERTY.

Mr. Nestelle made a flying trip on horseback from French Creek in a day and a half, arriving Thursday morning. He is working the claim below the Consolation and has five men employed. He brought with him about 5 ozs. in fine gold besides several nuggets. He said he thought ground-sluicing would be all that was necessary to work this claim, and is very enthusiastic over its prospects. He went to the coast on private business and will return on Tuesday.

ILLECILLEWAET.

THE SILVER BOW.

More than a carload of ore has been taken from this mine. It was this property which assayer A. H. Holdich visited last week, it is understood, for the purpose of making an inspection and report thereon. The mine is located north of Illecillewaet on the divide between East and West Kootenay, and is at the head of Cariboo creek. It consists of a number of veins dipping at sharp angles, some of which have been exposed, and it is proposed to sink a shaft which will cut through all of them. A wire-rope way is also in contemplation, the peaks to be connected being about a mile apart. The mine is one of high-grade copper and also carries a percentage of gold and silver. The assays have returned 60 per cent. of copper. It is owned by the Fish Creek Mining Co., of which Mr. Wood, of Wood, Vallance & Co., Hamilton, Ont., is the principal shareholder. Mr. J. H. Anderson is their manager. Mr. Holdich went to meet Mr. Wood, who was coming west to inspect the property, but had to postpone his visit until later in the season. Six men are at present employed.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

Twelve miners from Nova Scotia went down on the steamer Lytton on Tuesday. They are engaged to work three claims near Nelson, which were purchased by eastern capitalists last spring. They were in charge of the company's manager.

Two bars of gold valued at $10,000 were shipped to San Francisco by the City of Puebla. The Horsefly mine furnished one and the Cariboo the other. The shipment was made by Mr. F. H. Worlock, who received the bars from the agent of the Vancouver branch of the Bank of British Columbia.

Mr. Geo. D. Scott, of Vancouver, paid a flying visit to town this week and went up Big Bend as far as Carnes Creek. Besides being a mining broker Mr. Scott is secretary-treasurer of the Prince Albert Flat Hydraulic Mining Co. This company's location is situated 3½ miles below Yale, and is one mile in extent. They have put in a modern hydraulic plant, and are working a back channel, having come through a rim of 400 feet. Fifteen hundred inches of water is obtained from Emery Creek, which is more than is used on any other claim in the province. Already some 17,000 cubic yards of dirt has been washed, making good returns. The pay-streak is 15 feet in width. Mr. Scott said he was prepared to negotiate for good gold propositions. He expected to return here later in the season, when he will make a thorough inspection of Big Bend claims.

Protection to the River Bank.

The Work Must be Done before the Water Rises Again.

Is it not time that a movement was commenced with the object of securing protection to the river bank at Revelstoke the coming fall and winter? When the water is lowest the improvements can be made in the shortest possible time and with the least amount of cost. At no time for many years past, and perhaps for many years to come, is the water likely to be as low in the river as it will be a few weeks hence. The best informed among the river men give it as their belief that such will be the case, owing to the great flood of two months ago, and the high stage of water constantly running since.

The absolute necessity of providing against the recurrence of the dangers to property and, even the life of the town, need not be urged to those who witnessed the terrific destruction caused by the late flood. The river bank abreast of the town must be protected, and it depends upon the people of Revelstoke to inaugurate the measures and to marshall the forces required to accomplish it.

The leading local interest concerned is the C. P. R. The strong current in high water which sets across the river from the Big Eddy against the east bank above the railway bridge, endangers the bridge itself, and if unhindered will soon reach and sweep away its eastern approaches. Next below the bridge are located the principal hotels and stores of the town, which were seriously menaced with total destruction, large slices of land and some outhouses dropping into the river. Then the Dominion Government claims ownership of a great number of lots. The steamboat company (C. & K. S. N. Co.), represented by Mr. Mara, has 26 acres set apart to it in the heart of the townsite. Next in order is the Smelter Co., with originally 520 acres of land mostly surveyed into lots, and the smelter itself facing destruction on the river brink. Again, Mr. Mara, it is understood, owns personally 100 acres of land below the smelter concession. All these interests are surely of so much value and importance, that when their owners combine in a movement for protection from the annual encroachments of the river, they ought to be able to get what they ask for and most certainly deserve. There is only one complication in the matter, which for the moment is unsettled, but which it is expected will soon be overcome. This is the long contest between the Dominion Government and the syndicate represented by Farwell, for the possession of the lands and lots described, which is now before the Privy Council for final adjudication.

The Dominion Government, during the last session of Parliament, appropriated $5,000 for protecting the banks of the Columbia at Revelstoke, but made its expenditure conditional upon an equal appropriation by the Provincial Government, and also upon the decision of the townsite suit pending in the Privy Council. Why the Dominion Government made the expenditure of this sum depend upon the conclusion of this law-suit, or a private settlement between the litigants, when a matter of such absolute necessity as the preservation of the river bank and the business property of Revelstoke was to be delayed by it, we presume Mr. Mara can explain, but we are quite unable to discover a sufficient reason. The Provincial Government is willing to contribute its $5,000 untramelled by any such conditions, and stands ready, as announced by Premier Davie to the meeting of business men here, to do so at any time.

We are constrained to ask Mr. Mara why the Dominion Government will not be equally as liberal? We presume he arranged the terms of the appropriation at Ottawa, and secured all he asked for at that time. Can he not now obtian a modification of these terms, waiving the embarrassing conditions, and make the appropriation immediately available?

There is a wide-spread feeling of anxiety among the people of Revelstoke, equally among Mr. Mara's especial friends, and, in fact, felt and expressed on all sides, that he has a duty to perform to this portion of his district in regard to this matter that will not admit of delay. And there is a general desire that Mr. Mara should meet the people here in a public meeting when he comes to Revelstoke again, which it is expected will be within a few days, for the purpose of explaining the situation and becoming more intimately acquainted with the views of the people in relation to these matters, which are deemed so vitally important to the town.

THINGS SAID AND DONE ABOUT TOWN.

[BY DIOGENES.]

(Continued from page 4.)

I suppose the prices of goods cannot be lowered until the freight charges come down; and until the price of goods is lowered some people will continue to send away for what they use; so, also, it may safely be said that until people cease sending away, and purchase their goods at home, we cannot expect to have any money circulating in the town; and with no money to handle, everything must continue to rub along on the credit system, which means ruination to the merchants and death to the town. Who's to blame?

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A stranger looking over the advertising columns of the KOOTENAY MAIL would come to the conclusion that "Revelstoke can't be much of a place, as there are only three hotels in it." A town that can only support three hotels, of course, can't be very much of a place. But if the reading public knew that there were *seven* hotels in the town, and four of them were too poor to expend two or three dollars a month to publish their card in the local paper, the reading public would very likely form a worse opinion of the town than ever, because if hotels are too poor to advertise, then heaven help the town. But these hotel-keepers are reaping what other men sow. They are getting their share of transient business created by visitors who come here on the strength of reports of mines and mining which it is the local paper's business to publish to the world, and at the same time are not contributing a cent towards the expenses incurred in running a paper such as the MAIL.

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If any business derives benefit from a good newspaper in the town it is the hotel business. The MAIL, by publishing all the mining news of the Big Bend and the Lardeau, has undoubtedly been the means of bringing a lot of mining men—some of them capitalists—to the town; and of course they put up at the hotels. In the case of well-to-do mining men, who have come to see for themselves what chances our gold and silver mines offer for investment, the majority put up at the Victoria, and yet the Victoria, which reaps by far the greatest benefit from the MAIL, is the only hotel that has never given the MAIL a cent's worth of advertising. The others have advertised until recently, but have withdrawn their ads. on account of "hard times."

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Some business men are in the habit of sending east or west, as the case may be, for their bill-heads, letter heads, &c., because they may be able to save 25c. or 50c. on 500. As the printer here had to pay the C. P. R. over $300 in freight charges to get the machinery and supplies from Toronto—almost enough to stock a small office—how can people expect work to be done at Toronto prices and the printer still live? If the people of this town would follow the good old motto, "Live and let live," it would not be long before Revelstoke became the progressive mart of industry that some of its business men desire to see it.

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The election petition in East Yale, which I mentioned last week as being probable, is a thing of reality. Mr. E. J. Tronson, of Vernon, has filed a petition against the return of Mr. Donald Graham. I don't think I shall have to wear a bigger hat because a prediction of mine has so speedily been verified, neither do I think the Hon. Vernon will solicit our votes this year. More next week.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

The pay car passed through on Monday, leaving smiles in its wake.

For a large glass of Doering & Marstrand's Lager call at the Union Hotel.

Rev. C. T. Baylis returned yesterday from a trip to Vernon.

Edward Adair, foreman on the Lardeau wagon road, arrived up on str. Arrow Thursday evening.

Miss Hopgood, Conductor Hopgood's sister, after nearly a year's visit, returns to her home, near Edmonton, tomorrow.

R. Soames is turning in the C. P. R. yard, W. Nicholson is switching, and James Little is running a locomotive at Rogers' Pass.

Services will be held in the Presbyterian church to-morrow at 7.30 p.m. Rev. C. T. Baylis, pastor. Sunday-school in the church at 2.30.

Daniel Gillespie arrived up on the Arrow Thursday evening. While at work on the new wagon road about a week ago he was struck on the shoulder by a falling branch, which injured his collar-bone and one arm.

The Calgary *Herald* has ceased publication, the company having decided to retire from the publishing business. It is stated that a strong company will be formed to re-commence publication in a few days.

Among those who have arrived in town during the past few days we notice Messrs. T. M. Hamilton, of the Royal Hotel, Trout Lake City; A. H. Harrison, assayer, and E. S. Barchard, Trout Lake; P. M. Walker, mine-owner, and S. Underhill, rancher, Lardeau.

Among the Arrow's passengers from Thomson's Landing to Revelstoke on Thursday were Messrs. D. A. Lamey, merchant, Lardeau; Thos. Reid, Hall's Landing, who brought 100lbs. of cured trout caught in Trout Lake; E. Taylor, manager of C. B. Hume & Co.'s branch store at Thomson's; and J. McKinnon, storekeeper, Sanderson's Hot Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Murphy, of Trout Lake City, arrived in town some days ago. Mr. Murphy is in charge of the Black Prince mine, and we thought to have been able to publish something about that famous property, but on our reporter calling at his hotel it was found that Mr. Murphy had gone on a visit to Illecillewaet.

It was stated in town this week that the Arrow was tied up for the remainder of the seaosn. This is not so. She is running as usual. It appears Capt. Vanderburgh does not hold an engineer's certificate, and the boat had to stop running for a few days. A certificated engineer is now in charge and the boat running on her advertised time.

The Chicago Ledger has struck the nail on the head by starting in its issue of August 1st a fascinating love story entitled, "Caught in the Strike." It deals with the late A. R. U. strike, giving names and places familiar to many of our readers. Sample copy, giving first installment of the story, will be mailed free on application to the Chicago Ledger, Chicago, Illinois.

At the weekly meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society, held in the Presbyterian Church on Monday night, the pastor, Rev. C. T. Baylis, gave an instructive address on missions. The subject was "Modern Progress an incentive to Missionary Zeal." The speaker gave an interesting account of the rise and growth of missionary enterprise in the last half century. The choir contributed some appropriate and stirring hymns, and a profitable and pleasant evening was spent.

Doering & Marstrand's Iced Lager on draught at the Union Hotel.

It appears that the five bears killed at the crooked bridge last spring did not include the whole Bruin family. The yard engine struck a big bear near that place on Thursday. The animal went off into the timber, and a local hunter who spent some hours yesterday searching for it. He found traces of it, and says it appeared as if the bear was dragging its hind quarters. As Fred Moore arrived up from the Lardeau yesterday there is not much chance of that bear carrying his fur coat much longer this hot weather.

The little blue house just off Douglas street has earned for itself the name of "The Honeymoon," it having been the retreat to which two of our young men have taken their brides within the year, and now it is to be fitted up for the reception of another young couple. Mr. Charles Field, of the Senate, will shortly wed Miss Palmer, of Clanwilliam, and the little blue house will be their home.

Mr. Jerry Neagle, who has been recuperating in the Slocan for a month past, returned on the Lytton yesterday and was congratulated by his many friends upon his almost entire recovery from the painful accident to his knee, which happened about a year ago, and at one time, it was thought, would necessitate amputation of the leg. On getting into the bus, however, he was unfortunate enough to slip, the injured limb becoming wedged between the wheel and wagon box. He was saved from falling backward by a bystander, but the wrench to the injured knee caused intense pain and swelling. It is hoped the effects of this last accident will pass off in a day or two.

Rev. C. T. Baylis, who has been in charge of the first Presbyterian church here for a year, has announced his intention of severing his connection with the congregation on 1st September. During his stay here, Mr. Baylis has been very energetic in behalf of his church and has made many friends both in the congregation and outside. He has had the satisfaction of seeing the beginning and completion of a fine place of worship, towards the erection of which he contributed no little share, as chairman of the Building Committee. He will leave Revelstoke on the 3rd of September for Ontario, spending a short time with friends in Manitoba *en route*. Mr. Baylis carries with him the respect of a large circle of friends who heartily wish him godspeed.

THE LATE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Distribution of Prizes.

The distribution of prizes won in the recent tennis tournament took place at the lower town court last Saturday, when there was a large gathering of members and their friends. The presentations were made by Mrs. E. H. S. McLean. A handsome clock was the prize for ladies' singles, which was won by Mrs. Haig. For winning the ladies' and gents' doubles Miss Lyda Edwards and Mr. G. Barber received a racquet each. Prize for gents' singles, a racquet, Mr. T. L. Haig. Messrs. H. J. Bourne and W. F. Crage, who won the match for the upper town, a racquet each. Miss Edwards and Mrs. Haig were each presented with a bouquet of choice flowers tied with the club colors. After the presentation luncheon was served, and a most enjoyable time was spent until dusk. There is likely to be another tournament next month.

UNIQUE ENTERTAINMENT.

Professor Ferguson, "the greatest of all specialty artists on the violin," gave an entertainment in Peterson's Hall on Monday night. Although there was no charge for admission there were not many present, most people having the belief that a "one-man show" is usually a tedious event. But Prof. Ferguson is certainly an exception to the rule, for the interest of his hearers never flagged from the time he commenced, and they showed no desire to leave even when the skilful and varied performance came to a conclusion. His imitations were very clever. The crying of a baby, grunting of a hog, lowing of a cow, rasping of a bucksaw, puffing of a locomotive and playing of a German band were very realistic and brought down the house. He gave excellent facsimiles of Scotch bagpipes and bugle calls, while his rendering of "Home, sweet home," "Annie Laurie," "Old Black Joe" and "Swanee River" brought out some sweet melody. But he showed to best advantage in his sacred pieces, especially in the "Old Hundred" and "Nearer my God to Thee," and one had only to close one's eyes to imagine oneself to be listening to a full choir with organ accompaniment in some grand old cathedral. As before stated the audience was a small one, but the professor made a good collection, and was very well pleased with the results.

MORE GOLD DISCOVERIES IN THE LARDEAU.

Several Rich Strikes made in the past few days.

GOLD LEDGE ON THE SNOWSHOE—A 40-FOOT LEDGE ON THE TRUE FISSURE—DIGGING UP NUGGETS WITH POTATOES.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

THOMSON'S, August 22.

Mr. N. T. Edwards, who has been doing development work on the Snowshoe mine, arrived at Thomson's today. While working on the Snowshoe he struck a lead of gold-bearing quartz 4 feet wide, carrying $110 to the ton. Every man in the vicinity has caught the gold fever, and are out prospecting for gold quartz. Lardeau Creek is lined with men looking for quartz and placer ground, and I have learned from trustworthy sources that considerable quantities of yellow dust is being taken out, although the water is still rather high.

One good feature about this camp is that those who have claims are sticking to them. Joe Bisette and Dan Savoy and partners have flumed the creek above the canyon, and from prospects think they have a stake in sight. They got $10 in one pan of dirt the other evening.

Since commencing to write this article, Mr. Sam Underhill came in on his way to Revelstoke. He discovered and staked a claim yesterday and named it the Hidden Treasure. The ledge is 40 feet wide, with an ore chute of solid clean ore 4 feet wide. The ore is similar to that of the Black Prince. He traced the chute 150 feet. Mr. Underhill reports 100 men in the camp north of Trout Lake, all in high spirits, and prospectors are flocking in from all sides.

This was Mr. Underhill's first trip into the Lardeau, and he says that the immense showings of ore that he has seen for the last few days, beat anything he has ever dreamed of.

A number of business men are talking of putting up business houses at St. David's, among the rest, Mr. D. A. Lamey.

Another party has just come in, and reports finding on Pete Walker's claim, the True Fissure, a vein of gold-bearing quartz 40 feet wide. The samples are now at Thomson's Hotel, and there are hundreds of tons of it lying loose.

Confidence is now completely restored in the Lardeau, and every one is looking forward to good times.

We are sorry the new wagon road is not to be completed. Mr. C. Turnros and your correspondent took a buggy ride for seven miles over the road the other day. A buggy runs as slick along it as over the roads on Vancouver Island.

Mr. Ross and his workmen did excellent work as far as they went. It appears Mr. Lee made a mistake in his estimate of $12,000. It seems that where he expected dirt cuttings in many places, after a few inches of soil had been removed, they found solid rock, which made cutting very expensive. Mr. Lee's figures would have been all right had not the cuttings turned out to be mostly rock. It will require about $5,000 to make a first-class road, and it is a pity to see it stop where it is. We trust funds will be forthcoming next month to complete the road, as the worst of it is done.

Messrs. Beaton and Thomson refuse to handle any more mail matter for Trout Lake, as they have done so for two years without recompense. Mr. Taylor, of C. B. Hume & Co., is now looking after the mail, but after he leaves, Inspector Fletcher will have a row on his hands, as Messrs. Beaton and Thomson will not allow the mails to be stored in their buildings. O, for political power for a few days to chop off the official heads of such incompetent ninnies as Fletcher is, to have such a stretch of country as the Lardeau without a post office during the last three years.

Mr. Mara is being severely criticised for not making the Inspector do his duty or get out and let some one more competent take his place.

While Mr. Ferguson was digging potatoes on his ranch at St. David's, he found three small nuggets in his pan. The gold at St. David's must be up to the grass roots.

GLACIER NOTES.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

GLACIER, Aug. 23.

The Grafton party went through here on Saturday last in two foreign cars.

Passengers of the Empress of Japan were on No. 2 last Saturday, with the Grafton party. There were over sixty persons for luncheon.

Official car 14 was attached to No. 2 on Sunday. It was occupied by members of H. Abbott's family, who are going to spend some time at Banff Hot Springs, the fashionable summer resort of the west.

At the invitation of a friend, H. E. Forster, a young English sportsman, who spends most of the summer season here, left on Sunday for Calgary, for a two or three days' visit and to get a shave and hair-cut at the usual place.

Visitors at the Glacier House were pretty numerous last week, both hotel and large annex being nearly filled to their capacity for two or three days.

The weather has been very pleasant, though the scenery was often hidden by smoke from bush-fires.

ARRIVALS AT GLACIER HOUSE.

AUGUST 23rd, 1894.

16th.—H. Percy Mortimer, Bermuda; Charles Reynolds, Chesline, England; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Davidson and Miss Reid, maid, Edinburgh, Scotland; Rev. W. O. B. Allen and Mrs. Allen, London, Eng.; Miss Kate McKinnon, San Francisco, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. C. Kelby, Brandon, Man.; W. B. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, Miss Mollie Taylor, Mrs. Warne, V. W. Granger, Mrs. Starr, Toledo, O.; H. J. Cambie, C. P. R. Engineer, Vancouver.

17th.—Mrs. Clerke, Vancouver; C. S. Benedict and wife, Berb. J. Benedict, E. Judson Lynch and wife, San Francisco; Dr. and Mrs. Houghton, New York.

18th.—Miss T. S. Miller, San Rafael, Cal.; Joseph Kirk and wife, San Francisco; E. H. Fishburn and wife, Miss Hurst, Chicago, Ill.; Saml. S. Fowler, wife and two children, Golden, B. C.; Miss Ston, Gavi, Pa.; J. R. Wilson, J. F. Wilson, Portland, Ore.; Clarence Millard Brellar and wife, Montclair, C. H. J.; A. D. Emory, W. O. O'Loughlin, Winnipeg.

19th.—Miss Robinson, Miss Weir, England; H. R. Ewing, Pittsburg, Pa.; Rev. F. W. Chatterton, Mrs. Chatterton, James Blythe, Nelson, New Zealand; A. B. Derby and wife, Oakland, California.

20th.—F. Lambert, Montreal; A. W. Laidman, Barrie, Ont.

21st.—C. Richardson, Johannesburg, South Africa; S. M. Parish, Chicago; L. R. Myendie, J. D. Tomlin, A. J. Wethered, Oxford, Eng.; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bird, Miss Caldwell, Park Hill, N. Y.; Mrs. Fowler's maid, Golden.

22nd.—J. H. Sheets, St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. S. Parges, Vienna; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Singer, Miss Jennie Baker, Pasadena, Cal.; W. B. Torrance, Halifax, N. S.; E. L. Pease, Montreal; Prof. Ferguson, Boston.

EAST YALE ELECTION PETITION.

Mr. Edward John Tronson, of Vernon, has filed a petition in the Supreme Court against the election of Mr. Donald Graham for East Yale. Among other reasons the petitioner states that "certain persons voted at the election who were not entitled to vote; that those persons voted for Graham; and that the returning officer erroneously received certain ballot papers as votes for the said Donald Graham which were not marked according to law." The petitioner also says that on a scrutiny it will be found that the Hon. F. G. Vernon was duly elected.

BIRTHS.

FRASER.—August 24th, at Revelstoke, the wife of Mr. F. Fraser, J. P., of a daughter.

HORNE.—August 24, at Revelstoke, the wife of Mr. Thomas E. Horne, of a son.

"SATURDAY NIGHT'S" EXHIBITION NUMBER.

Will give West Kootenay a Good Write-up.

The business people of the town have had the opportunity this week of making the acquaintance of a bright, live young newspaper man in the person of Mr. S. R. Reid, who for some time past has been employed on the Winnipeg dailies. Mr. Reid has followed Journalism for some years and has practised his profession from Maine to the N. W. Territories. For two years he acted as regular correspondent of the Boston *Herald* and its connections. The Shepard Printing & Publishing Co., publishers of "Saturday Night," a high-class weekly, editions of which are issued in Toronto and Winnipeg, have decided to issue a special number for circulation at the Industrial Exposition which will be held in Toronto next month, the edition to be exclusively devoted to the interests of this province. Having arrived at this determination, the question was to secure the services of a man who could get over the ground in the short time intervening and one who would, at the same time, be qualified to give a comprehensive write-up of the mineral wealth as well as the many thriving towns of British Columbia. Mr. Reid was chosen for this work, and judging from the way he was hustling business during his three day's stay here, he is the best man they could have got for the purpose. This B. C. edition will offer exceptional advantages for bringing our mineral resources before the notice of eastern capitalists, and good results may be expected.

"Twixt the Devil and the Deep Sea."

A singular result in connection with the Chicago strike riots has come to light. It appears the U. S. militia is composed mainly of artizans and workmen. Having been called out to protect from the strikers, these men have had to leave their employment for several weeks. During their absence from work their places have been filled by other men. Now the employers refuse to take back the militiamen, saying they are satisfied with the men they have. It is reported that over 100 of these poor militiamen from one regiment alone, are now out of work on account of absenting themselves from their employ. The most singular feature of the case is the fact that it was the property of these same employers that they were called on to protect. After this, say the men, "no more militia for me." Surely the State Government ought to do something for these men.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of James McTavish (Deceased).

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claim against the estate of James McTavish, late of Revelstoke, West Kootenay, in the Province of British Columbia, carpenter, deceased, who died on or about the tenth day of June, 1894, are hereby required on or before the tenth day of October, 1894, to send by post prepaid to the undersigned, John McTavish, administrator of the said estate, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them.

After the said tenth day of October, 1894, the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall then have been received.

Dated this 8th day of August, 1894.

JOHN McTAVISH,
Meade post office, Michigan, U.S.A.,
Administrator.

Execution of the Savary Island Murderer.

The following telegram was received by Sheriff Armstrong, of Westminster, on Tuesday afternoon from Ottawa: "To the sheriff of New Westminster: In the case of Hugh Lynn, sentenced to be hanged on the 24th August, His Excellency the Governor-General has seen fit to order that the law be allowed to take its course." The jailer has also been advised by telegraph and the usual letter is sent by mail. Acknowledge. (Signed.) P. Pelletier, acting under Secretary of State.

In accordance with this, the execution took place yesterday.

Amongst the arrivals at Vancouver on Tuesday was noticed Mr. W. Elson, the popular conductor of the Mountain Division between Kamloops and Donald. Mr. Elson will spend a few days of his well-earned vacation in that city, and is stopping at the Hotel Vancouver.

WANTED.

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Revelstoke, Aug., 1894. JOSEPH DUNN.

TABLE

Showing the Dates and Places of Courts of Assize, Nisi Prius, and Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery for the Year 1894.

FALL ASSIZES.

*Nelson	Monday	10th September
*Donald	Monday	17th September
Clinton	Thursday	20th September
Richfield	Monday	24th September
Kamloops	Monday	1st October
Vernon	Monday	8th October
Lytton	Friday	12th October
New Westminster	Tuesday	6th November
Vancouver	Monday	12th November
Victoria	Tuesday	20th November
Nanaimo	Tuesday	27th November

*Special Assizes adjourned from the Spring by Mr. Justice Walkem and now fixed for these dates.

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or W. COWAN, Revelstoke, B.C.

THINGS SAID AND DONE ABOUT TOWN.

[BY DIOGENES.]

I see the deputy registrar-general has taken the trouble to correct the statement I made the other day that titles to Revelstoke lots could now be registered. I am very much obliged to him. I thought at the time that it was too important a question to be left for me to publish to the community interested. But all the same, I cannot see how it was possible to avoid the mistake. The gentleman who recorded the deeds in the present instance believed as I did. He thought the deeds were registered, and sent away other deeds to property he owns in the townsite for registration. The deputy registrar-general's letter stated: "Sir,—Your deeds have now been *registered*, and the charges thereon are," etc. I leave it with the public to judge whether I had cause or not for saying "Revelstoke titles can now be registered."

While we are all *waiting* for prosperity to strike this town how many are *doing* anything to make things better? Let us look into some of the primary causes of dullness of trade and scarcity of money. Of course this town does not stand alone in being short of money just now. The complaint prevails to a greater or lesser extent in every town in the West. But here it is aggravated by the foolishness and greed of some smart Aleeks who are always on the look out to get something for nothing.

What is the cause of such stringency in money as is chronic in this town? I think the chief cause lies in the fact that so much money is sent away out of the town and so very little comes back. Of course this must always be the case to a certain extent in non-manufacturing towns. We do not produce anything that we can exchange for money. We are buyers always, never sellers. While we are the commercial centre of as rich a mining district as the world ever saw, we are not exporting a single pound of ore. 'Tis true the gold mines up the Bend are putting out satisfactory quantities of gold, which, in the absence of a Canadian mint, is sent off to San Francisco, but the returns are confined to the pockets of two or three individuals at most, and cannot be counted as an important factor in bringing money back to the town. All the money, then, which circulates here is derived from three sources:—Government money paid out for labor on trails, etc.; the monthly wages paid to C.P.R. employes; and the money spent at the hotels by visitors. Most of this money is paid into the stores for goods, and when enough is accumulated by the merchants it is sent east for supplies to replenish their stock. This money never comes back again, and while the stocks carried by the stores are considerably larger, yet the amount of ready money circulating in the town is so much the less.

Of course the stores pay out money in wages and other things, which is no small help to the town; but we have some people living here who do not use the stores at all, but send away to Toronto, or Montreal, or Vancouver, or San Francisco, or wherever they can get what they require cheapest. With those people it is "Every man for himself," but I question whether any man doing business in a town can in the long run afford to overlook the local stores and send away for his goods because he can get them cheaper. It stands to reason that the local merchants would be unanimous on one point—that of boycotting the business of the man who did it. I hear there are men in our midst whose only expenditure in the town is for postage stamps, and these they would send away for if any saving could be effected by so doing. Now, I contend that a man who gets his living from a town ought in all fairness to do his share towards circulating some money in it.

Our merchants, owing to the exorbitant freight charges on the C.P.R., have to sell their goods at a higher price than towns on the coast. Some people think there might be a considerable reduction made in the price of provisions, canned goods, "wet" goods, drugs, etc., and still leave quite a nice little profit to the retailer. High prices do not always denote prosperity. As wages go now it costs a working man nearly the whole of his earnings to live here, and if he wishes to keep out of debt he must eschew the seductive influence of the bar-room while the price of a single drink represents almost as much as he will obtain for an hour's work. Those who are sending to other places for their goods say there would be no necessity for doing so if prices were more reasonable here. A recent comer, doing a good business here, I am informed, imports nearly the whole of his domestic supplies from Vancouver, saying prices here are "too steep." He may be quite within his rights, but I fancy it will prove to be a suicidal policy for a man who sells certain articles at the very tip-top price to refuse to deal with local merchants because they charge too much. The way some people look at things is simply astonishing.

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