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POLITICAL PARAGRAPH

INTERESTING ITEMS FROM THE LOCAL HURLY-BURLY.

Debate on the address—First division Government majority six—Semlin asks about river bank correspondence—Ministers as promoters.

The first decisive division of the session occurred Wednesday on the question of redistribution, as contained in section 8 of the Speech which reads: "A measure will be introduced to you having for its object redistribution in connection with the electoral districts."

Mr. Semlin proposed to add this rider to the clause: "And we trust such measure will rectify existing irregularities in the representation without increasing the present number of members, and will provide for equal representation to constituencies similarly situated."

Speaking to the question Hon. Mr. Turner called the measure now in force just and fair. To the amendment there voted—

Yea,—Sword, Kennedy, Hume, Macpherson, Forster, Kidd, Vedder, Williams, Semlin, Cotton, Graham, Kellie.—12. Nay,—Huff, Smith, Helmcken, Baker, Turner, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Stoddard, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rodgers, Hunter, Braden, McGregor.—18.

The next division was on the log scaling question and the government was sustained by a majority of five.

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Mr. Sword's resolution that in the opinion of this House ministers of the crown should not lend the assistance of their official titles to the floating of any company, with regrets that Messrs. Turner and Pooley had done so, was brought forward Thursday. Mr. Speaker ruled it inadmissable, and the question, Shall the chair be sustained? resulted in a straight party division. Yeas—Huff, Smith, Mutter, Helmcken, Baker, Turner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Stoddart, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rogers, Hunter, Braden, McGregor.—19. Nays—Sword, Semlin, Cotton, Williams, Macpherson, Kidd, Vedder, Kennedy, Hume, Forster, Graham, Kellie.—12.

The Public Accounts committee reported there was an over draft on February 10th of $199,254.

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On Tuesday last C. B. Sword asked Premier Turner these questions in the House:

"Were Messrs. Woolston & Beeton authorised to promise to intending investors in the loan of 1895 that no financial aid or guarantee of interest or principal would be given to the British Pacific or other transcontinental railway scheme."

Hon. Mr. Turner replied as follows: "I do not remember that Messrs. Woolston & Beeton were authorized, either verbally or in writing, to promise to intending investors in the loan of 1895 that no financial aid or guarantee of interest or principal would be given to the British Pacific or other transcontinental railway scheme."

Our premier is a man of great fertility of mind, of great resourcefulness. Replying to questions about our new gold commissioner he would not answer on grounds of public policy.—Now in answer to Mr. Sword he can't do better than the schoolboy excuse "I do not remember." What shuffling.

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A Rossland Miner special from Victoria speaking of the probable defection of Messrs Huff and Stoddard, says that though the idea was pooh-hooped the progress of the debate has strengthened the idea. The Miner's correspondent adds that they will be joined in their defection by no less than J. P. Booth, the deputy speaker. If this occurs the government will be in an unpleasant position indeed.

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The Colonist, the Turner government's mouthpiece, wants opinions on the merits of offering scrip for sale redeemable in mineral lands, after staking of the lands a grant to be issued. The reason advanced for this desperate remedy is desperate in itself, it is to raise money. Only such a cause could produce such a result. Why doesn't the Colonist propose all at once that we should give up government as antiquated, sell out the public domain and run the country as a corporation, in which the man with the most money would have the most shares and his votes be regulated by his holding. The idea of the equality of voters—a poor man equal to a rich—is too antiquated for the progressive Turner organ. Give the man with capital some chance.

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West Kootenay, says a district contemporary, which pays about one-third of the nett revenue of the Province is yet represented by but two members, has no resident Supreme Court Judge, and the people of it have had to contribute individually toward almost every road and trail that has been built. It is without sufficient schools or a land registry office.

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Mr. Semlin, leader of the Opposition, moved Wednesday "That a respectful address be presented to the Lieutenant-Governor asking His Honor to cause to cause to be sent down to this House copies of orders-in-council and all correspondence between His Honor's government and the government of the Dominion, or between any member of the ministry and any other person in reference to the preservation of the town of Revelstoke from destruction by the waters of the Columbia River."

It is well that the matter should be thoroughly ventilated and the refusal of last year and the tentative work of this be fully explained.

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That they (the Turner Government) are thereby (in not meeting the offer of Dominion co-operation) violating a distinct pledge of their leader Chief Justice Davie seems to cut no figure at all.—Herald, March 31, '97 (Before the flop.)

Mr. Turner's mistake was certainly due to an honest misapprehension of the responsibility of a provincial government for work of this kind.—Herald, February 16, '98. (After the flop.)

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They are honorable men, all honorable men. Hon. Mr. Turner says "It is a lie," and Hon. Mr. Pooley says "You wouldn't dare say that outside the House," in the course of the debate on the address, over the question of their names on company prospectuses. What elegant leaders of public opinion.

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It could be understood why John Drinkwater Sibbald was made gold commissioner if a very numerously signed petition was sent in for his appointment. Hon. J. H. Turner knocks that excuse on the head by saying "I know of no petition."

Our Local Drama.

—ACT I. SCENE I.

Place,—Heralds sanctum. Time.—Six months ago. Enter to Grogander, the scribe, who is working up a philippic against the Turner government, the merchant prince Linnaeus Humus.

Lin.—How now Grogander, still at your desk?

Gro.—Even so Linnaeus my matter's weighty.

Lin.—Banish it then, and list you to my speech; I'll speak you fair.

Gro.—Speed on your tide, methinks it smacks of evil.

Linnaeus Humus delivers himself of the plots. The peanut gang have turned Tuftcrites, they expect soft snaps, patronage, shovels, commissionerships and so on, and they are pledged to Turner to acquire journalistic support. To do so means a change of principle on Grogander's part, and this Linnaeus has been deputed to effect as he is so politic. He uses all his great gift of speech, but Grogander is firm.

Gro.—(Starting up) Out on you! I'll none of it.

Lin.—Come, come, Grogander, fair be to your own desires and to your friends.

Gro.—I like it not; I am of the Opposition.

Lin.—Plague take your principles, canst not change them? Art afraid, Grogander? Thou knowest that the paper wherein you write can be controlled. Must I use more than this persuasion (sweet (pulls out piece of paper looking like order-in-council of peanut gang).

Gro.—Thy scheme is good, but I have got golden opinions from all sorts of people which I cannot retain in precious care if I change so soon.

Lin.—Tush! be not chicken-hearted. Assume excuse if you have it not. (Sternly) Cudgel thy brains no more on Opposition. This is the law, the gang have spoken it.

Gro.—(Aside) 'Tis even as he says, the gang are all about me. (Aloud) I'll be correspondent to command and do my duty well. (Aside) It is not, nor it cannot come to good. Foul deeds will rise though all the earth o'erwhelm them to men's eyes. (Looks sad).

Lin.—Your face, Grogander, is as a book wherein one may read faint-hearted. To cover up your change look like a changer: bear Turner in your eye, your hand, your pen: look the innocent flower, but be the serpent under it.

Gro.—I am settled and bent up to accomplish this great somersault. I'll cover my change with fairest show, false pen must hide what false heart doth know. (Exeunt.)

J. B. McArthur, of Rossland, went through to the coast this week as a delegate from Rossland Board of Trade.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Turned On Wednesday Evening for First Time.

The electric lights gave everyone a surprise on Wednesday evening, coming out with unexpected brilliancy on the darkness of the hour. The works are now running well and from this on Revelstoke will have a lighting system much better than many of the towns of the Interior and second to none of them. When first turned on the voltage was light of course but it is now brighter and a great improvement. Street lamps are being put in to-day and soon the whole town will be lit up with the modern force which a town must use to be up to date. The Revelstoke Water, Light and Power Co. have had a great deal of extra trouble and expense in inaugurating their lighting system but they have persistently labored to overcome the obstacles and have now it is pleasant to see, done so successfully. Some arc lights will be introduced very soon and this will be a still further improvement. Revelstoke will be no laggard in the race of progress while it has some citizens alive to the necessity of being amongst the leaders. To induce settlement modern advantages must be provided and the company have provided most essential ones.

A Turner Precedent.

Having published the Hon. Mr. Tarte's letter which told how Premier Turner refused to assist in the river bank protection last year, the Westminster Columbian comments as follows:

"The characteristic dereliction of the of the provincial government, in refusing to cooperate with the present Dominion government for the protection of the banks of the Columbia River at Revelstoke, when the Dominion government generously put $10,500 in their estimates for the purpose, forcibly reminds us of the identical trick which this same provincial government played in 1894-5 with Sir Mackenzie Bowell's Ottawa government, in refusing to carry out an agreement, whereby the government of the Dominion and that of the province were each to expend $25,000 in preliminary conservancy surveys on the Fraser, though the $25,000 had been voted for that purpose by the provincial legislature, and a like sum placed in the Dominion estimates. By this characteristic piece of bad faith and inconceivable stupidity on the part of the Davie-Turner government—which, it will be remembered, was fully exposed by Sir Mackenzie Bowell, then premier, at a meeting in the Hotel Guichon parlors, in this city, in the fall of 1895—the work on the Fraser river was put back two or three years. And now the people of Revelstoke and vicinity have got to suffer similarly by a repetition of the same scabby trick."

Will Erect Reduction Works.

The directors of the Goldfields of British Columbia, Ltd., and its subsidiary companies have given a good account of their stewardship in the circular just issued to the shareholders of the allied companies. Sufficient development work having been accomplished, Mr. Otto Abeling, an eminent American mining engineer, was invited to proceed to London for the purpose of consulting with the Board as to the advisability of erecting machinery and plant on the mines. Mr. Abeling, holding the highest credentials from the well-known firm of Messrs. Fraser & Chalmers, Ltd., possesses the entire confidence of the directors, and his advice has been accepted by them to immediately proceed with the erection of a large mining plant and machinery. Shipments of ore from the Waverley mine to the smelters have already commenced, the assay value of the ore shipped being about £30 per ton. If anything like this can be maintained, the quoted price of the Waverley mine, viz., 30s. for the £1 share, is absurdly below its value. Want of space does not allow us to give Mr. Otto Abeling's report *in extenso*, but any shareholders or would-be shareholders can obtain it by writing to the secretary of the Goldfields of British Columbia, Copthall Avenue, E. C.—Financial Bulletin.

The Mineral Act Amendment.

Rossland by its Board of Trade, and Kaslo in mass meeting, have pronounced against W. A. Carlyle's proposed amendment to the mineral law requiring locators to do assessment within 90 days after location instead of one year, as at present, and requiring all claims to run out at the end of the Year. The amendment is a rather drastic cure for an evil but half admitted, and it should be pronounced against here as in other places. If the Legislature would stop tinkering with the mineral laws and, instead, give Kootenay its proper proportion of representation the result would be much better for the industry.

HIS VIEWS ON THE MATTER.

He Thinks Observer's Letter Requires Consideration.

EDITOR KOOTENAY MAIL:

In your issue of the 19th instant I see a letter from "Observer." I think it requires attention from every taxpayer, especially from the members of the committee who circulated the petition. Both governments now seemingly disclaim responsibility of protecting the river bank. It is true the Provincial Government have started work but how much they intend to do seems to depend entirely upon the political situation, (your contemporary on Wednesday acknowledged it was a political dodge) and in case of a want of confidence vote carrying in the House, we might very likely see this work stop as quickly as it started. It is only at the best, "tentative work" and even while arranging to do it the premier does not admit responsibility.

Another thing I have learned that makes me opposed to incorporation at the present moment. It is that if the municipal control fell by any chance into the hands of the head pushers now so prominent in the riverbank work, any taxpayer who didn't deal with a certain outfit or board at a certain hotel would then do even more running after a day's work than is being done now. The truth is the hotel and store man are going the whole hog or nothing (the electors will hear no yarns this election about "my boarders") and there is a lesson before the taxpayer in this also.

Lest the Herald insinuate this is not my own composition, witness my hand and seal.

Yours truly,

FRED FRASER.

Revelstoke, February 24, '98.

Observer Heard From Again.

EDITOR KOOTENAY MAIL:

I was not quite prepared to see my views on the question of the river bank responsibility being thrust upon the soon-to-be municipality, so tersely expressed as they are by Hon. Mr. Tarte in your issue of the 19th inst. He says "I may add that the protection of shores falls within the jurisdiction of provincial and municipal authorities."

If this so, and it may be, the provincial government, who also disclaim responsibility, will only be too glad, with the question narrowed down to them and us, to place this burden upon us. I hardly need to point out that if there is no municipality there is no responsibility. Have we not been hasty?

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Local and Personal Briefs.

Easy running, noiseless sewing machines at Coursier's.

Jack Patterson is running a store at Erie on N. & Ft. S. Ry.

W. B. Pease is to be made a Justice of the Peace.

R. Bullock of the Lardeau is in town this week.

It's awful! What is? The greed of the peanut gang.

R. H. Trueman, of Vancouver, was in town this week.

The Forester's Hall at Arrowhead is progressing nicely.

Stylish dresses turned out at Coursier's.

Kernaghan, the builder, is completing the main portion of his residence.

See Dr. Malloch's card this week. You will find him at Dr. McLean's old office.

The shovels hurt someone connected with the Herald to move it to such villainous parody.

Rock for the river bank is being taken out. About 1000 yards are wanted.

The C. P. R. has a pile driver crew at Arrowhead improving the docks for the coming season.

Percy Walton got back from a long easter in visit on Monday. Mrs. Walton is at Sicamous.

Mr. Bud, Candidate had a conversazione at his residence lately. Your move, Bud.

Mrs. H. J. Bourne's hyacinths were very generally admired at the weight party to which she kindly lent them.

E. L. Kinman has been heard from at Honolulu. An interesting letter from him will be published next week.

The Waverley Mine Ltd. have now got all their furniture moved into Hume's building on corner of Mackenzie Avenue and First.

Rev. E. D. McLaren, B.D., preached at both services in the Presbyterian church last Sunday. Both sermons were very good, the morning one particularly so.

Ben Green, of Albert Canyon, was in town Tuesday from Vancouver where he has been on a business visit for about a month. He returned to the Canyon.

More electioneering! J. D. Sibbald left for Trout Lake City Thursday to let contracts for felling trees on the Trout Lake waggon road. It is fun to see how the government digs up just before election time. At other times they have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter but are unable to proceed with the matter till a sufficient sum has been put in the estimates and endorsed by the Legislature, etc., etc. Its about time this treefelling was done however and we hope it will be a good job.

Our contem's tail is a tender spot since some one tried to squeeze it, allusion to it makes it "hot." It wishes we would "cheese it."

Three Hungarian families were assisted by the Government Thursday morning to the extent of $20 worth of sundries. The goods were bought at W. B. Pease & Co.

J. A. Magee, the energetic manager of the Kootenay Lumber Co. at Comaplix, was here Thursday to attend the mortgage sale of the barge, boiler and outfit of the Hydraulic Co. He bought the whole outfit, which is a very good one, for $643.50.

The skating race—five mile, free for all—came off Thursday evening. The competitors were O. Hamilton, G. McTavish, E. Edwards and S. Needham. McTavish led at the start and held it for a number of rounds, but then Edwards and Needham went to the front. They kept together for a while but the merit of the race was spoiled by the falls. Edwards won in good condition though Needham might have had a show but for his bad fall.

Art square carpets at Coursier's.

On Monday night there was a ball at the Lake View Hotel, Arrowhead, which was pronounced one of the best given there. About 20 couples participated. Miss Walker originated the affair.

Will Smelt Ore for $7 a Ton.

One feature in connection with the C.P.R.'s purchase of the Heinze interests in West Kootenay will be regarded with satisfaction by the people of Rossland. It is learned that, as regards the purchased smelter at Trail, the great Canadian company means to charge only actual expenses to mines sending thither their ore. Smelting facilities will, in fact, be provided at cost, and a smelting rate of $7 a ton and a freight rate of 50 cents a ton being declared in respect of Rossland ore consignments.

Rossland Liberal Club.

There was a meeting of the Liberal club on Monday night, when the election of officers for the ensuing term took place as follows: President, J. B. McArthur; first vice-president, C. O. Lalonde; second vice-president, H. P. McCraney; secretary-treasurer, Thomas Parker; executive committee, Dr. Sinclair, Dr. Mackenzie, J. M. Martin, Smith Curtis, J. E. Saucier and Arthur Dutton. Nothing was mentioned regarding the bringing out of a candidate for the ensuing provincial election. Notice was given that at the next meeting a resolution would be introduced condemning the Teslin Lake railway contract.—Rossland Times.

The Weight Party.

The ladies of St. Peter's church gave an At Home in Tapping's Hall on Tuesday night in aid of church funds. The idea of the entertainment, which was admission by weight with prizes for extremes of heaviness and lightness, was extremely novel and created much amusement. Then there was the programme, most varied and elegant, containing vocal and instrumental music, recitations, dramatic sketches and tableaux. Space will not permit a description of the interesting items of the programme, but the Jubilee tableau; song, Happy Days; and the opening pianoduet were very good, indeed. The "Teazle" sketch would have been good but for the prompter who prompted the audience rather than the principals.

The credit for the idea and much of the success of this very novel entertainment belongs to Mrs. Atkinson, (Mrs. Hearn's sister) of Liverpool, England, who originated it and gave it all her attention to the very last, receiving of course the unstinted aid of all the other church ladies. Mr. and Mrs. Temple won the heavy married couple prize, Mr. and Mrs. Drew the lightest ditto. Miss Forrest was the heaviest single lady, Dr. Malloch the same distinction amongst the gentlemen. Miss Smythe was the lightest of the ladies present and Mr. Steele of the gentlemen.

Assessment of South Kootenay.

Assessor Keen of Kaslo has recently completed the assessment of the real and personal property in the Nelson district. The district extends west to Rossland and north on the Arrow Lakes to a point near Nakusp.

The figures as given by the Kootenaian make a very creditable showing and are a considerable increase over those of last year and are as follows:

Total value of real property assessed	$1,525,121.00
Personal property	71,750.00
Improvements assessed	253,472.00
Total assessment	$2,615,616.70
Total taxes thereon	$26,196.31

SENSE VS. SENTIMENT.

LOGICAL CONCLUSION TO A WICKED ARGUMENT.

It publishes a most pernicious sentiment—Insults the community—Motive of honesty played evidently no part in its change.

So the activity of the Turner Government on the river bank just now is a political dodge. Well, supposing it is. We are quite content to let it go at that. *One has to take what one can get in this wicked world and have motives to look after themselves.*—Revelstoke Herald, Feb. 23, '98.

The MAIL does not intend nor wish to pose as one of those who are "righteous over much" (we are not church pillars nor wardens and the beam is oft in our own eye, we know) neither does it try to simulate a virtue to commend it to the public, yet it cannot refrain from denouncing the above statement of our contemporary as one of the most iniquitous and pernicious ever seen in a public print in this country. Such a disgustingly mercenary and immoral sentiment is deserving of the severest censure. It is a crime against the community and an insult to their honesty and morality—to inculcate such vicious sentiment and purvey such filthy principle.

Our contemporary has in the political discussion now going on, and consequent upon its change of principle, based its argument upon practicality and common sense. It has sneered at the MAIL'S attitude as ethical and sentimental and held up its own columns in contrast. Is this most noxious utterance and shocking sentiment—take what you can no matter how you get it—the sum of its practicality, the conclusion of its argument, "the very coinage of its brain." Is this what it has been logically driven to in defence of the people to which it shifted its support belying its former utterances to do so. Alas! it seems so. Murder will always out, and crime come home no matter how hidden. Why it changed its political principle is by its own latest admission susceptible after this of the very worst interpretation only.

We have never before seen an engineer so hoist with his own petard, a paper so judged out of its own mouth as is the Herald by this damning admission of dishonesty. It should merit for it nothing but the keenest contempt of every honest and moral citizen in this community and make its every word and action be looked upon with a suspicion of hidden fraud or secreted motive based upon the principles of one who takes what he can not caring about how he gets it.

The Cut Rate Applies Here, Too.

In reference to the cut in passenger rates by the C.P.R., announced last week, the MAIL is advised by the company's agent here that the reduced rates apply eastward from Revelstoke as well. The old rates to Montreal, 1st and 2nd class, were, respectively, $67.70 and $60.50. The new rates are $40 and $30, a tremendous reduction. Rates to all other eastern points are correspondingly reduced, and this will induce many people to travel.

Trout Lake News.

W. H. Vickers, mining recorder at Trout Lake City, was in town Thursday. He confirms the report that he has resigned the recordership and says it takes effect April 1st. As to the progress of the camp, he reports everybody hopeful and expecting a good season's development.

The Silver Cup is working right along with 32 men at the mine and are getting out ore steadily. The haulers, Mosley & Co., were, until two weeks ago, taking out six tons a day, but bad weather stopped them for a while and the mine got well ahead again. There's close on 200 tons of ore already sacked at the mine and there's about the same quantity at the Landing and at Eight-Mile. Mosley & Co. are working four 4-horse teams, two Shorse, and six 6-wheel horses, besides these they are wintering about twenty at Hall's Landing. The mine is, however, taking out ore slightly faster than this outfit can get it away.

Trout Lake Topic: The ball given by Trout Lake foresters on the 21st, was most successful in every respect. About 30 couples attended.

On Monday last a sleighload of ore upset half way between Trout Lake City and Ferguson, and spilled the load and Sam Sutherland down the mountainside.

Andy Denny had his leg severely crushed on Friday last by the rolling of a log, on the trail between Eight Mile and the Silver Cup.

Notwithstanding the great Klondyke excitement every body in and around Trout Lake district is looking for the opening season to be one of exceptional activity.

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Address
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REVELSTOKE, FEB. 26, 1898.

IN the debate on the address, last Monday, F. C. Cotton's speech contained the following which will commend itself to most people as a very reasonable conclusion:

As to railway policy generally, he held that the extravagant aid given in the past to foster railway building in British Columbia had had the effect of discouraging rather than assisting legitimate railway building, for here the promoters waited to receive state aid, where on the other side of the boundary they were ready to construct their lines purely as business investments. As soon as the railway promoters and charter-mongers could be made to understand that the people of British Columbia would no longer build roads for them just so soon would they build roads for the people of British Columbia.

Local example of this is readily to hand to prove its point. D. C. Corbin got 20,000 acres of land per mile from the B. C. government to build a road into Nelson from Spokane. He didn't get a foot of ground from the State of Washington, but the moment he crossed the boundary the provincial authorities potlatched generously. Yet, to get into B.C., into West Kootenay, was Corbin's dearest wish, and he would have been glad, indeed, to have come in with mere permission, just as he is doing now in Boundary Creek where his request is being strongly supported by the people of that district, and, apparently, from all that can be learned—others asking for subsidies—with good reason.

WITH the single exception of HON. Mr. Turner's latest offer every proposal to co-operate in protecting the river bank here has been based on equal appropriations by both governments. First, Hon. Mr. Davie proposed it and the Dominion agreed. Then the Dominion offered and Hon. J. H. Turner refused. Discovering his mistake (the Herald calls it a mistake, but it was worse) he hastened to rectify(?) it by proposing to put up one-third of what the work would cost. He should have taken the $10,500 and if it wasn't enough asked for more. He preferred to refuse and let the province do all the work itself. Careful Finance Minister Turner, the little subterfuge is very clear, and there is not a voter in this community but sees through what your little game is. Such trickery with a serious matter will get the condemnation it deserves.

ONE of the best evidences of stability of good common sense, is self-restraint under causes of angry suspicion or excitement. The awful catastrophe to the U.S. battleship Maine in a Spanish harbor at a time when the two nations are not on most friendly terms, is indeed calculated to arouse ... [illegible] excitement, yet ... [illegible] needs the exercise of ... [illegible] coolness. It will be very ... [illegible] if a patient and impartial inquiry ... spoiled by the ... [illegible] statements of ... [illegible] politicians. The United States ... [illegible] of the world in its loss and restraint under such aggravating circumstances will add to it admiration.

WE commend to our readers the very interesting speech made by Mr. Kellie in the Legislature, which will be found in another column. It is a good defence of the mining and mineral interests of West Kootenay and forcefully contrasts the treatment accorded the coal miners and mine owners ... [illegible] that meted out to the same class up country. His point about the lack of redistribution is fundamental and simple, and that about the ... [illegible]

business of the government is really witty in its application.

ACCORDING to our local contemporary the MAIL's only excuse for baiting Premier Turner is because it doesn't know enough to see what it is doing. MAIL's ear, eyes are failing us, worn out in the public's service, but we rather think it's the air that's "smoky."

MR. COTTON, member for Vancouver City, made a splendid speech in the debate on the address Monday. It should be printed for distribution.

To "work" shovels to the best advantage you must "dig with the right foot." There's a little humor in this, Herald.

MR. GAMBLE'S mission—tentative work—temporary action. Munificent government!

Kootenay's Militia Battalion.

In the course of a few days a meeting will be held in the city to organize and get into proper shape the preliminaries for forming two companies of the rifle corps the militia department purposes establishing in West Kootenay. Seventy names have been secured to the list, but about thirty more are required to muster up to full company strength. Owing to its geographical position, Nelson should be made the headquarters of the battalion, and if the proper attention be paid, this advantage can be gained. Those engaged in promoting the scheme are meeting with every encouragement, and they can easily obtain the necessary certificated officers. Rossland aims at securing three companies, and New Denver one with the regimental band.—Nelson Tribune.

The Railway Rate War.

The rate war between the C. P. R. and Grand Trunk and American railroad systems is fully on and there is nothing mild about it either. The report of the C. P. R. cut in rates caused quite a break in the price of stock. The new tariff to the coast is an absolute annihilation of the old rates. The old rate to the coast had been approximately on a basis of $70 first-class and $60 second-class from Montreal, while that to St. Paul and Minneapolis was approximately $28 first-class and $27 second-class. The new rates, which took effect Saturday, will be from all stations in Ontario and Quebec, excepting those east of Levis and north and east of Quebec, to Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle and Tacoma, $40 first-class and $30 second-class. From the sale at eastern points to Portland, Oregon, $45 first-class and $35 second-class; from McAdam Junction, N. B., to Vancouver, and other coast points, $43.25 first-class and $33.50 second-class; from same eastern points to Portland, Ore., $53.25 first-class and $40.50 second-class, from St. John, St. Stephen and St. Andrews to Vancouver, $48.50 first-class and $35.50 second-class. While to Portland $53.50 first-class and $41.50 second-class. The cut to St. Paul and Minneapolis rates has been equally great. From all stations in Ontario and Quebec east of Kingston, Sharbot Lake Junction and Pembroke, but not east of Levis or north of Quebec, to St. Paul, Minneapolis, West Superior (Wis.) and Duluth, first-class rate is $18, and second-class $1[illegible]. From McAdam Junction to the same western points, the rate is $25 first-class and $23.50 second-class. While from St. John, St. Stephen and St. Andrews it is $25.50 first-class and $23.50 second-class.

What the Deal Was.

It has been generally ... [illegible]

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The jubilee celebration, ... [illegible] ... [illegible] tribute of ... [illegible] women who, through ... [illegible] displayed the ... [illegible] ... [illegible] of all the touching scenes ... [illegible]

on jubilee day, certainly not one was more impressive than the sincere expressions of love from her humblest subjects. From this point of view the jubilee was as suggestive as it was impressive. It was a revelation of the wonderful growth of the empire, the strength, expansion and cohesion. Those who saw the jubilee procession from Buckingham Palace to St. Paul's were reminded of the old Roman pageants, but instead of the warrior it was a woman who was its object. There were present men from every race and clime, and free men all. (Cheers.) As in front of that noble temple under the canopy of Heaven they respectfully asked the blessing of Almighty God for the aged Sovereign, a thrill passed over everyone, and the thought came that as the Roman empire had been created by force and violence and was so destroyed, that the British empire could live only on the eternal laws of freedom and justice. (Cheers.) And as it is for the empire as a whole, it is for every component part. And this, sir, is an inspiration which shall ever guide us in the charge which the Canadian people have intrusted to us. It is with this feeling that we meet the Commons of Canada. (Prolonged cheers.)

When a Bee Can't Sting.

It is a fact not generally known, says the Rambler, that if one holds his breath wasps and bees can be handled with impunity. The skin becomes sting-proof, and by holding the insect by the feet and giving her full liberty of action you can see her drive her weapon against the impenetrable surface with a force that lifts her body at every stroke; but let the smallest quantity of air escape from the lungs and the sting will penetrate at once. I have taught young ladies with very delicate hands to astonish their friends by the performance of this feat, and I saw one so severely stung as to require the services of a physician through laughing at a witty remark of her sister, forgetting that laughing required breath. For a theory in explanation I am led to believe that holding the breath partially closes the pores of the skin.

About An Export Duty.

The Globe's Ottawa correspondent in closing an article dealing with the growth of the mining interests in southern British Columbia and of nickel production in Ontario, after referring to the agitation in various quarters for export duties, says: "The Ministers are at present too much engaged in absorbing information regarding the probable effect of the export duty on copper and nickel ore or matte to give out any information. It would, however, require very little pressure from Ontario to secure the duty, and that pressure will, doubtless, be applied when the people of Toronto, Hamilton and other centres, in which a refinery might be located, understand that the refining in Canada of other nickel ore would mean work for a company capitalized at $2,000,000, and would employ hundreds of men. The nickel which was exported as matte last year was only worth $498,515 and it would, if refined, be worth almost $3,000,000."

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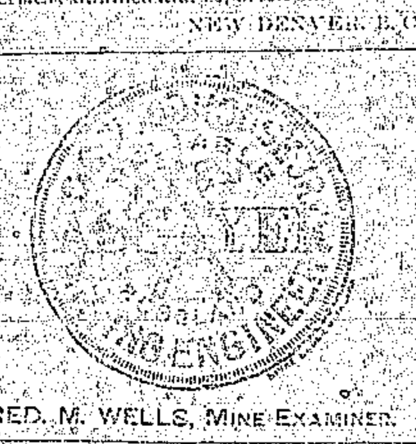

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APPLICATION WILL BE MADE to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to construct, maintain and operate by any motive power a standard or narrow gauge railway from some point at or near Arrowhead, ... [illegible] ... to Trout Lake or Duncan River ... [illegible] ... to some point at or near the north end of Kootenay Lake ... [illegible] District with branches ... [illegible] with power ... [illegible] ... the necessary bridges over navigable rivers, and necessary ways, ferries, roads and other works.
Dated at Ottawa this 20th day of December, 1897.

A. FERGUSON,
Solicitor for the applicants.

Certificate of Improvements.

ORPHAN BOY MINERAL CLAIM.

Situated in the Big Bend Mining Division of West Kootenay; located on ... [illegible] Creek, a tributary of McCulloch Creek, in the Big Bend mining division of West Kootenay.

TAKE NOTICE that I, ... [illegible] ... [illegible]

Private Bill Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly for the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for a private bill to incorporate a company to build, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway from a point at or near Albert Canyon; thence up the valley of the North Fork of the Illecillewaet river to the headwaters of the Downie creek; thence down the valley of the Downie creek to the junction of that stream with the Columbia river, thence down the Columbia river to Revelstoke; with the power to equip, construct and maintain branch lines to any mine or mines and all necessary bridges, road ways and ferries, and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith and with power to build, own, equip and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and operate the same on any navigable waters within the province; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or other aids from any government, municipal corporations, or other persons or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railways, tramways, ferries, wharves and vessels built by the company; and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Dated at Vancouver, B.C., this 15th day of November, 1897.

WILSON & SENKLER,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

IN THE LEGISLATURE

KELLIE DECLARES HIS OPPOSITION TO THE GOVERNMENT

And Points Out Many of Its Shortcomings and Injustices in this Riding and West Kootenay Generally—Miners Unfairly Treated.

In the Legislative Assembly on Friday last J. M. Kellie made an excellent speech full of fact, logical argument and saving humor. The points contained in it will repay a close perusal.

Mr. Kellie gave Mr. Booth his explanation of what he considered a fair measure of redistribution. He said that it should be a measure which would recognize that a man in Kootenay was just as good as a man in any other part of the province—just as good as a man in Esquimalt, Cowichan or Alberni. He resented the statement of the member for North Victoria (Mr. Booth) that the mines of Kootenay had been developed by the pledged credit of the rest of the province. He reminded Mr. Booth that the revenue from his district was but $7,000, whereas the revenue from Kootenay was $310,000. Since Kootenay was contributing so large a revenue, he held, that it should receive more consideration in the way of representation and appropriations, than it was now getting. During the past year, he stated, the government had taken over $200,000 more out of Kootenay than it had expended in the district. Kootenay was a big district, but there was a very small amount spent upon trails and roads in the region, in comparison with the amount spent in other sections. The policy of the government was to cinch the miners of Kootenay at every turn. In Kootenay, the government took the miners by the throat and made them pay $5 for the privilege of working in the mines. In the coal mines of Vancouver Island there was no such charge made. He wanted to know why the miners of Kootenay were obliged to pay when the miners of Vancouver Island were allowed to go scot free? The government discriminated not only against the working miners of Kootenay, but against the mine owners of Kootenay as well. They had to pay a tax upon their output, whereas no tax was imposed upon the output of the coal mines. Mr. Kellie also stated that the public accounts showed that the money taken from Kootenay was used to defray the educational expenses of municipalities throughout the province. There was something wrong in the government's system which permitted municipalities to be created and absorb the revenues of the province and then called for the expenditure of the general revenue of the province within such municipalities for educational purposes. Mr. Kellie criticised the policy of the government in connection with the protection of the Columbia River bank at Revelstoke. He held that the reason why the work of protecting the river bank had not been performed was because the provincial government had refused to meet the Dominion government when it placed an item of $10,000 in the estimates conditional upon the province doing the same. He had heard it said that the premier had stated that he did not know that this amount had been appropriated, but he wish to deny this upon the floor of the House, as he had, himself, called the premier's attention to the item. The provincial government now wished to show its good intentions to the people of Revelstoke because the government had a budding candidate in Revelstoke for the next election. Mr. Kellie dubbed the speech from the throne as a set of bare bones. There was nothing of importance in it. There was a promise of patch-work of redistribution, but there was nothing said about the repeal of the tax upon working miners, nor the repeal of the mortgage tax. There was nothing to intimate that the coal barons would pay their share of the taxes. Mr. Kellie spoke against both the Vancouver & Eastern Railway subsidy and Mackenzie & Mann's other railway subsidy. Upon the question of redistribution, he urged the claim of West Kootenay for additional representation. Upon the basis of revenue or population West Kootenay, as compared with some of the other districts, was entitled to 52 members upon the floor of the House. Upon the government's policy of encouraging dairying, Mr. Kellie said that the encouraging of dairying evidently meant the encouragement of the milking industry. The government evidently had its eye on Kootenay, the milch cow for the province. For his part the proposed to enter a protest against the further milking of Kootenay, unless the government was prepared to pay something for the cow. As to the question of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway land grant, the government had clearly exceeded its authority in over-riding the provisions of the Land Grant Act. He made the specific charge that the government had allowed the railway company to grab 4,800 acres of land north of Rossland as fuel lands, when the grand total of land which the company could show that it was entitled to did not aggregate one-half that amount. He also criticised the Lands and Works Department for its failure to issue a Crown grant to Alex. Curria for his pre-emption within the railway lands, which had been proved up as early as 1892. He charged the government with betraying the free miners of Kootenay, in that it allowed D. C. Corbin to charge mine owners for timber which the miners were entitled to under the Mineral Act.

Called To His Attention.

Several mining men have recently communicated to the Rossland Times their opinions as to where the mining laws require altering. One of the greatest inconveniences at present is the short time allowed by law in notifying shareholders of a company that a general meeting is to be held. Instead of being six days, it should be thirty. Such short notice prevents the attendance of shareholders residing in the eastern provinces, or even the appointing of proxies by them unless the notification is sent by telegraph. A thirty day notice would permit the attendance of all shareholders who really desired to attend, and prevent a great deal of jobbery. A very recent case could be cited in support of this contention, when, at a meeting in Spokane, the stock of a Rossland mining company was sold to a Spokane party at half the price that had been offered by a Toronto syndicate, the object being to get the control of the property in Spokane hands. The representatives of the Toronto buyers, who are also stockholders, claiming that they did not get the notice in time to attend the meeting.

Another thing Mr. Kellie ought to point out is the fact that $100 license fee for mining companies is too high. Fifty dollars would be a fair amount for all companies capitalized in one million dollars and upwards, and $25 for lesser amounts.

Canadian Press Association.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association will be held in Ottawa, March 10th, 11th. Among the important matters to be considered will be the postage question, insolvency legislation, and the visit of British journalists to Canada. Frank A. Munsey, who has been without doubt, the most successful modern publisher, will deliver an address on and discuss the "Elements of Success in Newspaper Publishing." It is hoped that one or two of the following representatives of the British Institute of Journalists will be present:—Lord Glenesk—London Morning Post—Sir Hugh C. Reid, M. P., J. M. McLean, M. P., and Sir Edward Russell. The dinner will take place as usual, when a number of important speeches will be made.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of the above named company will be held at the company's office, at Revelstoke, British Columbia, on the eighth day of March, 1898, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and for all other general purposes relating to the management of the company.

I. T. BREWSTER, Secretary.
Revelstoke, B.C., Feb. 8, 1898. 3-4t

Certificate of Improvements.

Ole Bull, Big Bend Belle, C. O. D. and Kesef mineral claims; and Ole Bull, Lake Bear and Gold Hill fractional mineral claims situated in the Revelstoke Mining Division, West Kootenay, located in the Big Bend.

TAKE NOTICE that I, William Bauer, acting as agent for the London and B. C. Alliance Syndicate, free miner's certificate No. 7512, intend sixty days after date hereof to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under sec. 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

WILLIAM A. BAUER, P. L. S.
Dated this 2nd December 1897. 37-9t

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T. J. LENDRUM,
Agent and Attorney in fact for the Kootenay B. C. Smelting and Trading Syndicate.

Dated at Ainsworth this 8th day of December, 1897.

T. L. HAIG, Resident Agent. REVELSTOKE, B.C.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL BRIEFS

Jack Knowles is in town.

R. S. Wilson is about again after his severe illness.

Slater shoes at Coursier's.

Miss Alice Northey left for a visit to Rossland Monday.

J. J. Foley, of the Lake View Hotel, Arrowhead, is in town.

Miss Lillie Valentine has returned from Thomson's Landing.

A. Johnson, of the Herald, is in Calgary on a short visit.

Bargains in dress goods, trimmings, laces and shoes at Coursier's.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumner, of Comaplix, were in town this week.

Fallis Bros. have taken over C. B. Hume & Co.'s store on Front Street.

W. H. Vickers and John E. Jowett, both of Trout Lake, were in town Thursday.

F. McCarty is again getting in the famous Banff ice. Hauling started Monday.

F. M. Wells won the long distance snowshoe championship of B. C. last Friday at Rossland.

T. L. Haig has got the Inland Revenue department as well as the Customs now. Mr. Haig is favored.

Molson's Bank building is progressing and will be completed within a month. Mr. J. D. Molson will be the local manager.

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Dr. Corrigan, dentist, of Vernon, will be at the Hotel Victoria, Revelstoke, on March 1st and 2nd. All dental work done carefully and well.

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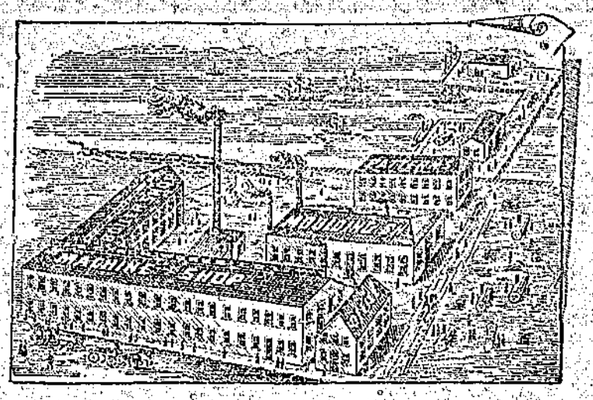

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