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POLITICAL PARAGRAPH

INTERESTING ITEMS FROM THE LOCAL HURLY-BURLY.

Railway charters to post security on Sword's motion—Old speaker resigns, new one appointed—Colonist's view of provincial politics.

The latest return (to Jan. 31, '98) of the cost of the Parliament buildings, shows payments made of $857,455.69, and still it isn't finished! It is permanent work in Victoria, it is "temporary action" "tentative work" and a political dodge on Revelstoke river bank. The present work is not a solution of the permanent protection question it is only temporary and the result plainly of Premier Turner's ostinacy in refusing a working agreement for co-operation. It's the old scheme, use Kootenay as a milch cow and sink its contribution in building up Victoria.

On the Kitimat railway charter application Mr. Sword's resolution that the applicants deposit $5,000 to guarantee doing $10,000 work before the end of the year, though opposed by a minister went through and was made part of the bill. Evidently the House is beginning to think that charters are worth something to the public and not to be given away without some evidence of good faith. C. B. Sword, M. P. P., is as much if not more responsible than anyone else for bringing around this healthy change.

Hon. Mr. Higgins has resigned his chair as speaker on account it is said of the Government's railway policy. His position was taken by J. P. Booth the deputy speaker. This over, the general impression is that lively times will occur. Several members are reported to be dropping off from the government and there will be a crisis probably on redistribution and supply measures.

The Revelstoke Herald and its following of turncoats and partizans would do well to read the following from the Colonist, the chief mouthpiece of the party which they are endeavoring to return:

"A notable illustration of the complete separation of Dominion politics from the affairs of the provincial legislature is afforded by the fact that while Hon. J. P. Booth is a Liberal in Dominion politics he has been the unanimous choice (for Speaker) of a House overwhelmingly Conservative."

The Herald and its clique of turncoats have a different story to tell. They had to invent some excuse for becoming Tunnerites and so raised the party flag with many shouts. They won to their side only a few narrow-minded, bitter partizans who blindly fell into the trap laid for them, giving the turncoats thereby a shadow of standing with the community. Before this campaign is half over the most disgusted men in Revelstoke will be those who joined the Herald and its peanut gang in the belief that they were defending their party from an attack by the enemy.

Our Military Company.

Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia and Defence, says the Golden Era, informed Mr. Baillie, of the Prospector, that he had been in communication with people in the interior of the Province respecting the formation of a battalion of infantry in which companies would be established, one each at Kamloops, Revelstoke, Rossland, Nelson and Fort Steele, and possibly at other places. The suggestion was made by Mr. Bostock that at Fort Steele, where considerable ranching was carried on, a company of mounted infantry might be formed of recruits owning and maintaining their own horses. The Minister was much interested and greatly favored with the idea.

Crows' Nest Royal Commission.

Amongst the arrivals in town Tuesday were the members of the Royal Commission appointed to enquire into the alleged grievances of laborers on the Crow's Nest road. The Commission consists of Judge Dugas, Montreal; Frank Pedley, superintendent of immigration, Ottawa, and John Appleton, president of the Winnipeg trades and labor council. Accompanying them were A. Ross Cuthbert, Ins. of N.W.M.P., Pincher Creek; J. R. Costigan, C.P.R. solicitor at McLeod, representing the C.P.R, and J. A. McCarthy, company's secretary, representing Mr. Haney, superintendent of construction.

The commission was the result of numerous complaints from immigrants, published in old-country papers, wherein the writers lamented the conditions under which they labored on construction and alleged that agents had resorted to misrepresentation to get them out to this country. The attention of the federal government was called to these complaints, and the commission was appointed to go over the work and take evidence. The first sitting was held at McLeod, and early in February the party started over the route, taking evidence by the way, and were on the return journey east when here.

Of course, they would not anticipate their report by giving any conclusions for publication, but from what could be learned the lot of the laborer on construction is not a pleasant one by any means. About 150 witnesses were examined, but it is not likely that their report will come in time to do much good on this work. The Commission left for the east Wednesday morning and will hold court at a few places en route to Ottawa.

The Football Challenge Cup.

EDITOR KOOTENAY MAIL:

Dear Sir,—I was somewhat surpised to find in your issue of March 5th that according to an item in the Kamloops Standard regarding the "Martin" Challenge Football Cup that "Revelstoke stands out for Rugby Rules." Who said so? Who gave authority? Was a meeting of footballers held to decide the question? Those who are not new-comers in town are aware that the Association game has been played here for at least three years, and that teams from the two parts of the town have had a number of matches each year.

As Captain of the late "Kootenay Rovers," of Revelstoke Station, I claim for the exponents of the Association game a voice in deciding the wishes of the footballers of Revelstoke. I do not believe in one man taking upon himself the responsibility of representing the town nor of two or three unauthorized parties from either end of the town deciding a matter of this kind.

Yours truly,
F. W. LAING.

Revelstoke, B. C., March 8, 1898.

[Mr. Laing is unnecessarily warm. For the Kootenay Rovers he is at equal liberty to suggest "Association" as is anyone else to advise "Rugby." Exponents of the Rugby game sent in the only challenge from here, so naturally the Standard says "Revelstoke stands out for Rugby." If Association is wanted let the challenge go in by all means so that followers of that game may have a voice in its favor. Nothing unusual has occurred to excite Mr. Laing's wrath; full publicity has been given everything that has transpired, wishing in every way to help the game along.—ED.]

The Speaker's Resignation.

The resignation by Mr. Higgins of the honorable position of Speaker of the legislature is an event, remarkable in itself and significant of the present political situation in the province.

The retirement of a Speaker of a legislative assembly, under such circumstances as those which are understood to have prompted Mr. Higgins' action, is almost without precedent. Nothing but a strong sense of patriotism, and the feeling that it was his duty to give expression in the strongest possible manner to his disapproval of the government's reckless and improvident policy, could have caused Mr. Higgins to step from the chair on to the floor of the House, sacrificing both the honor and emoluments of his high office. There is no doubt but that both his own constituents and the people of British Columbia generally, will give due recognition to his meritorious and patriotic conduct.

Mr. Higgins' action will serve to accentuate the growing distrust of Mr. Turner's administration. The ridicule of its enemies, the cause of distress to its friends it is drifting along to the rocks on which it will go to pieces on the day of the general elections. As the days of the session pass away it is a matter of common gossip as to whether there is any detail of administrative incapacity and political blundering of which the government has not been guilty. It has recently fallen into the habit of getting one or other of its supporters to stop a debate on some technical ground or point of order. On Tuesday last there were two most extraordinary instances of this, in which the government, after stating that it invited discussion of the matters under consideration, adopted such a cowardly course. There are other members besides Mr. Higgins disgusted at such tactics.—News-Advertiser.

More Will be Heard.

The directors of the Waverley Mine, Limited, have forwarded a very glowing report to the stockholders, as to the results of the now intermitted recent operations at the mine. However, more practical steps are about to be taken, as Mr. Otto Abeling, a mining engineer of much experience, is arranging for the setting up and working of a concentrating plant and other necessary mechanical appliances at this mine, of the operations of which more should be heard, as soon as spring fairly opens in the Illecillewaet.—Mining Critic.

THE DIRECTORS' REPORT.

A Very Creditable Showing Made by a Home Company.

The annual general meeting of the Carnes Creek Consolidated Gold Mines, Limited, was held in the company's offices on Monday, F. McCarty, president, in the chair. The following shareholders, Messrs. Brewster, Kilpatrick, Cowan, Temple, Brown, Neilson, Bourne, Boyd and Vail—representing 354,500 shares, in all—were present. The annual report of the board of directors, including auditor's report, was read, unanimously adopted and ordered printed for distribution to shareholders. Messrs. Cowan, Temple, Kilpatrick, Brewster and McCarty were elected directors for term of one year, and J. D. Graham was chosen auditor for same period, without remuneration; Mr. Graham volunteering to act without charge to the company. The minutes having been approved the meeting adjourned.

From the directors and auditor's report the following few references are taken to indicate the working and position of the company in which quite a number of Revelstoke and outside people are interested:

"Your directors, immediately following their appointment, acquired for the company from the owners in consideration of 400,000 shares of capital stock the mineral claims Rosebery, Salisbury, Arsenic, Imperial, Homestake and St. Peter. Since then, by services of prospectors, have acquired also the following new claims: Coronation and Jubilee at Carnes Creek; Clondyke and Consolidated at Downie Creek. There has also been located for the company in the valley of N. Fork of Carnes Creek, 160 acres of land; valuable in view of further developments.

"Your directors selected the Rosebery on Carnes Creek for the chief expenditure." A cabin and trail have been built and excavations made for dumps. A tunnel has been driven on the vein, in direction of its course, 98 feet and there it is crosscut on both sides for 24 feet. A shaft has been sunk 15 feet and another tunnel run for 100 feet to crosscut vein at depth. The vein has not yet been struck in this tunnel, it is estimated it will be reached before the tunnel is extended another 10 feet. Report from the engineer next follows but is too long to publish. The directors, resuming, say the work done has been to the best advantage and consistent with proper and economic management of the mine, and they recommend that "work be resumed as early as possible within the next two months." They ask "more complete confidence" from the shareholders in "the future successful operation" of their property on account of "increased attention by capital to the district where it is and certainty of improvements in transportation." They report 129,100 shares treasury stock sold for $6,455, expended as follows:

Preliminary expenses	$ 150 70
Prospecting	300 00
St. Peter, Homestake and Imperial claims, work on	375 00
License and recording	113 00
Assaying and reporting	132 60
Carnes Creek land, 1st payment	40 00
Management including solicitors fees, office expenses, travelling, etc.	1358 27
Miscellaneous expenses, including tools	363 60
All work on Rosebery claim	3021 74
Total	$6,455 09

This is a very good statement and shows pretty careful management, contrasting favorably with expenses of a similar nature in other companies. The printed report will be to hand in a few days and will well repay perusal. The company's future operations on Carnes creek will be watched with interest and expectancy.

The Sewage Problem.

An excellent article on the disposal of sewage appears in the Nelson Tribune of the 5th inst. It is written by A. L. McCulloch, A.M.C.S., C.E., of Nelson, and he holds that the simplest and cheapest method of disposing of sewage is to discharge it into a large body of water, fresh or salt. If deposited into the sea the tidal currents dilute it to such an extent that it cannot create a nuisance. When discharged into one of our large lakes the wind and waves disperse and dilute it. If, however, large cities are emptying sewage into harbors or such lakes it will in time cause local nuisances, no doubt, when the currents are weak and and the wave action prevented by natural or artificial means. When discharged into large rivers such as the St. Lawrence, Niagara, Columbia, Kootenay or Fraser, any cities that may be built on these streams cannot possibly, he holds, create a nuisance. He adds, too, that towns in Kootenay will be warranted in going a considerable distance in bringing their water supply by gravity from some mountain streams rather than operate pumping stations, and does not anticipate that streams or rivers as a public supply source is probable.

A TOUCHING STORY.

Dr. Robinson Dead—Contracted Disease While on Duty.

The sad news of the death of Dr. Elmer Lee Robinson, son of Mr. Fred Robinson, was received just before going to press. The deceased was a most promising young man with a brilliant career before him, as may be judged from his university record; but before he could undertake the practice of the profession he had chosen, the disease of which he died was contracted and blighted all he had been at such pains to learn. It is a touching story. He was a martyr to his science as sincere as any in Fox's Book, and though unknown to the great world around him his memory is very dear to all his relatives and numerous friends and acquaintances.

Dr. Robinson was born in Keswick, Ont., December 20, '72, being 25 years of age at time of death. He graduated from the medical department of Toronto University with the '96 class and degree of M. B.; he also took first-class honors in nearly all subjects attempted. He immediately went into the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, as House Surgeon where he remained till ill health—he had contracted phthisis while examining pathological specimens—sent him south in search of better climate. He went first to Mexico in '96, and then to Texas until March '97, being while there the close friend of Dr. Gallagher. Then he came to B. C. and has been since at his fathers residence here, where he died this morning at 1:45. In spite of the very best treatment Dr. Robinton grew gradually worse from the time of contracting disease and it was soon seen to be of a fatal nature. He was before this disease took hold of him a sturdy and athletic young fellow taking part in football, lacrosse, yachting and other sports, and was a general favorite with students and professors. He was a popular member of the *Zeta Psi* fraternity of his school, and his early loss will be as generally regretted in the East as it is amongst those who met him at Revelstoke where he made many friends. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

The funeral will leave Mr. Fred Robinson's house at 2 p. m. Sunday afternoon to St. Peter's church where services will be held. From there it will go to the cemetery.

Local and Personal Briefs.

Easy running, noiseless sewing machines at Coursier's.

T. E. L. Taylor's brother will shortly be here from the old country.

Beef Tea in portable form—best made—McDowell, Atkins & Watson, The Druggists, Revelstoke Station.

Mrs. Crage returned from her visit to Banff on Thursday. Her health was very much improved by the trip.

There are 17 street lamps in use now. W. Cowan has ordered a 2,000 candle power arc light for Front Street.

J. M. Kellie, M.P.P., writes to say he has just received news of the death of his mother. He has now lost both parents in four months.

Sandon, Kaslo, Rossland, Nelson all have delegations at the coast. Where the carcass is there will the eagles be gathered together.

Mrs. Foreman left Tuesday for Chehalis, Wash., to nurse her brother who is very ill. Miss Walker, of Arrowhead, was on the same train.

LOST.—A black silk umbrella with brown wooden knob handle. Finder will be rewarded by bringing it to T. L. Haig, Revelstoke.

J. Hutchison & Co. have put up a verandah in front of their store to shade the fruit they intend to deal largely in this summer.

J. D. Graham, manager of the Waverley Mine Limited went west Thursday evening on business connected with his company.

Full line of Fluid Beef, Beef Extracts and Jellies—McDowell, Atkins & Watson, The Druggists, Revelstoke Station.

Fred Mountain has been appointed Chief of Provincial Police for the districts of Yale and Kootenay with headquarters at Nelson.

A petition was circulated this week asking permission for Revelstoke to dump its garbage into the river. It received numerous signatures.

J. R. Hull & Co. are putting up a verandah over the front of their new butcher shop so as to shade the windows and give more display hanging room in the fall weather.

The placer lease applications are still being heard. The MAIL will not say what the Gold Commissioner should do lest it be tried for contempt of—John Drinkwater.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church intend holding a social evening at the home of Mrs. Graham, opposite the R. C. church, on Monday night, March 14th. Refreshments and an interesting programme will be provided after which a silver collection will be taken. Judging from the past success of the ladies at such functions we bespeak for them a crowded house and those who attend an enjoyable time.

David W. King, of the Kaslo *Kootenaian*, and F. W. Groves, C. E., of the same town, passed through here this week for Victoria. Mr. King is very earnest on the lead question of Canada and this is the object of his trip.

See the large new advertisement of John E. Wood in this issue. Mr. Wood is a man of great experience in his business and if you want building designs or anything in building line consult him early. His shop is in the old KOOTENAY MAIL office.

Capt. H. J. Woodside, of Portage La Prairie, was in town yesterday en route to the Yukon. He is representing the New York World, Montreal Star, Free Press, Winnipeg, and St. Paul Dispatch, and will write up the Sticking route for them. Capt. Woodside is a brother of M. Woodside of Revelstoke and a splendid specimen of Young Canada manhood. He is a good writer and his was one of the earliest journalistic visits to Kootenay.

The Central Hotel is a favorite place for couples to be married in. The latest ceremony occuring there took place Monday when George L. Foreman, of Revelstoke, and Miss Mary J. Carroll, of Chehalis, Wash., were united in marriage by Rev. J. A. Wood. At 7:30 p.m. a few relatives and personal friends sat down with the bride and groom to an excellent dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Slay, Connaplix; Miss Walker and Mr. J. S. Harkley, Arrowhead; Rev. J. A. Wood, Revelstoke. The congratulations bestowed on the newly married couple were many, both having numerous friends at Arrowhead and here, and to them the MAIL desires to add its voice.

The Political Outlook.

That you have to go abroad to hear the news is again made true in the following paragraph taken from the Slocan City *News* of March 5th:

"Mr. W. White, Q. C., arrived in the city Tuesday and the following day accompanied Mrs. White and the children to their home in Revelstoke. In speaking of the political situation in the province Mr. White expressed the opinion that he had no doubt but that the present government will be retained in power. The opposition party is hopelessly divided and will be unable to concentrate its forces to insure them even partial success on election day. All indications point to a sweeping victory for the government and a humiliating defeat for the opposition. In opposing Mr. Kellie for the Legislature Mr. White anticipates a walk-over although his opponent is making strenuous efforts to gain popular favor.

"This was Mr. White's first visit to the city since the latter part of July and all his old acquaintances were pleased to greet him. He is a firm believer in this particular section of the country and does not hesitate to say that Slocan City will be a town of many times its present population at no far distant day."

Mr. White interviewed about the matter said the statements were not his at all. He never made such statements, he most positively declared, and did not particularly remember being interviewed on such subjects. He might have said in a kind of general way, as a man will in conversation, that "the political outlook for the government was bright," but that was all. Asked if he intended to be a candidate; he said he had never been asked, and the first he heard of it was in the Golden *Era*.

The Slocan City *News* has been heretofore looked upon generally as a very correct sheet, but Mr. White's emphatic denial shakes belief in its carefulness considerably. A man like Mr. White, Q. C., cannot be treated to political interviews like this above, if he did not accord them, and it is wrong of the *News* to put words in his mouth that he did not say. However, it would be unfair to judge the *News* without a hearing and its explanation is earnestly looked for by the public and probably also by Mr. White, Q. C., who seemed very much annoyed about the matter.

His Peculiar Views.

EDITOR KOOTENAY MAIL:

Your contemporary is this week more candid on the river bank incorporation question than heretofore. It says Premier Turner distinctly stated when here that incorporation would make no difference one way or another. How, when and where did he say it? Was it in a manner which he cannot dispute as for instance his recent letter disclaiming responsibility for doing the work.

If your contemporary will publish the statement that it attributes to Premier Turner it will be a good step in solving the question before Revelstoke; if it cannot, then its statement is meant only to deceive the public as to the gravity of meeting this question squarely and instantly. OBSERVER.

March 11, 1898.

UPON REDISTRIBUTION

A REPORT OF PROPOSED ADDITION TO NORTH KOOTENAY

Of Golden-Donald section of North-East Kootenay—We have enough voters already for a representative—No interest between two sections.

In a manner which warrants its being dealt with yet not specific enough to call correct, comes the rumor to the MAIL that the redistribution measure proposed by the government may include Donald and Golden portions of N. East Kootenay with N. West Kootenay proper. While there would be nothing but welcome for East Kootenaians in any scheme for mutual advantage, the MAIL believes that this proposal, if correct, is not one of that nature, and feels sure the East Kootenaians concerned will take the same view of it. Their addition to us would mean, probably, the loss of Trout Lake and Lardeau divisions with which we are closely related and which we will not relinquish without a struggle. If it does not mean the loss of those divisions or other territory, then there is no need to put North East Kootenay into this riding as it has already sufficient voters registered to entitle it to a member. If North East Kootenay is added to our already large riding it will be very unfair if two members are not given to it, unfair on the basis of membership now accorded to Lillooet, Cariboo and other places. There are now about 850 registered voters and applications to vote, in the Revelstoke office, which is nearly twice as many as has Cariboo with its two members, and more than Cassiar, East and West Lillooet and South Nanaimo, with four members between them, can total up together. Where then is the justice or point in adding N. E. Kootenay's vote to this, when it is already large enough to claim its own representative. N. E. Kootenay, too, has a grievance in this respect. It has already, we are credibly informed, 500 voters. This is more than Cariboo has with two members, double what Cassiar has with one, more than Cowichan-Alberni with two, and Esquimalt with two (several othe examples could be given of inequality) and if these constituencies deserve representation in the legislature surely N. E. Kootenay does even still more so.

But apart from numerical facts altogether, there is another reason why these districts should have separate representation, that is, the question of dissimilarity or divergence of interests. The interests of these two sections are entirely apart. That of Golden and Donald is directed and extended to its main artery of Trade the north Columbia-Kootenay valley, that of Revelstoke to its connections north and south in the Columbia-Arrow Lake valley. Of course each centre has its trade area of east and west, but the main interest of each place is not across the divide, or not one with the other, but lies with entirely different peoples and centres. There is nothing much in common in trade or influence between Revelstoke and Golden-Donald, sections, their spheres are different and they are each sufficiently large and influential enough to be given recognition by representation in a House containing many members from artificial and unnecessary constituencies. The rumor, it is hoped, is not correct.

Arrowhead Pointers.

Fine weather still continues. Spring has come and I am tempted to send you some poetry.

The ice is fast breaking up on the N. E. Arm.

J. Harkley has left the Lake View. Miss Walker of the same house has also left for Vancouver. They were given a good send-off.

Mrs. (Capt.) Williams is expected home to-day, she has been visiting friends in the Okanagan.

O. D. Hoar passed through this week on his way to Trout Lake and Ferguson with a petition for the waggon road up the north fork of the Lardeau.

Preparations are being made by several owners of claims on the Arm to get to work as snow is sufficiently gone to allow operations.

A large force of men are to start immediately on the dock improvements. Magee's bridge gang are now driving the necessary piles. When the work is finished Arrowhead will have one of the best wharves in the Interior. It is expected the work will require forty men about three months to complete.

Feb. 11, '98. ARROWHEAD.

Although a return of correspondence on the river bank question at Revelstoke was brought down on March 4th it has not reached the KOOTENAY MAIL from the member or the Queen's Printer.

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CHIEF JUSTICE DAVIE is dead! The sad news was received with feelings of sincere regret throughout the province by foe as well as friend. He was in his political public life, as Kipling has it, such "a first-class fighting man" that he won admiration from both sides of the arena. Resolute, bold and strong as he was in public, he was gentle and loveable as a woman in domestic life as many who knew him intimately can tell. He had a marvellous energy, never tiring, and was possessed with a veritable passion for work, never sherking responsibility. He was in everything he undertook a man of action and he would be at the top or nowhere. In his leadership in the House he was as strong as his successor is weak, and it is to day a common saying that he was the whole ministry in one. With his retirement the ministry fell rapidly in public esteem, there being no one to take his place. And now he is gone; taken while in the prime of life, yet old before his time, partly, perhaps, on account of that resistless and devouring passion for work which kept him ever employed.

THE tax on working miners is an unjustifiable imposition and the House should support Mr. Cotton's motion declaring it so. There are taxes enough going into the parliament buildings at Victoria without adding one obtained by the very sweat of a man's brow. Then further, how is it a tax to be retained in Kootenay if not in Vancouver Island. Even the Chinese coal miners in Dunsmuir's black diamond fields do not have to pay this tax. But thanks to the Opposition party and the Miners Union influence there must be no more Chinese employed underground.

YOUR tail, Herald, escaped our attention for a while; it was an oversight we now try to rectify by asking how is it to-day? How, too, is the smoke machine? What is the particu brand of smoke you are now manufacturing? Was your parody on shovels written with your tail-point or other blunt instrument, or do you use your tail in stirring of the smoke in course manufacture? Is your tail still sore?

THE parliament buildings are permanent the river bank work is tentative. The work the government have been doing in Kootenay all along is of a tentative kind, always studying a false economy in making appropriations, being anxious to take more than they give.

In opposing Mr. Kellie for the legislature Mr. White anticipates a walk over, although his opponent is making strenuous efforts to gain popular favor.

To walk over Kellie is big contract for most men, but it is evidently a small thing to White, and that's the long and short of it.

The Mines of Kootenay.

The report that there is an improvement in the condition of the gold mining industry of West Australia is good news for Kootenay. It is to be hoped that the situation will improve sufficiently to allow the numerous large operators on the London mining market, who are so heavily interested in that country, to unload their holdings. Westralian stocks no longer offer the opportunities for profitable speculation that once existed. They have been overdone, and English operators are anxious to leave that field and commence the manipulation of a brand new mining boom. London is ready for another whirl of excitement similar to that which attended the dealing in South African and West Australian stocks. It is necessary, however, that the sphere of operations shall be confined to British territory. The possibilities of the mines of Kootenay are well known to the financial heavy-weights of the mining section of the London stock exchange. They have had their experts here and have received nothing but the most favorable reports. They have not failed to notice the great richness and extent of our mineral resources, are familiar with the flattering results that have so far been obtained, and appreciate the facilities that exist for economical mining and reduction of ores. They know that every requirement for a huge mining boom exists in this Province. Considered from all points of view, everything points to this district being in the future the theatre of the greatest speculation that the London market has known for many a day. Nothing is keeping it back except the delay occasioned by the lack of favorable opportunity for the heavy operators to unload the holdings that they have acquired by booming the gold fields of South Africa and West Australia. And now it seems that the improvement of the mining industry in those countries is providing the means by which they may do so.

War Eagle Ore to be Smelted in B.C.

The C.P.R., which recently bought the Trail smelter and the line of road from the smelter to the mines at Rossland, has contracted with the War Eagle mine for the shipment and treatment of 100 tons of ore daily for one year. The freight and treatment charges is $7.50 per ton, a reduction of $3.50 on the rates which have existed. The Le Roi smelter at Northport made a lower bid in connection with the Spokane & Northern road, but the War Eagle preferred to pay the higher rate and have the ore treated in British Columbia. The War Eagle has shipped little ore since it was bought by the Canadian syndicate. It was developed by Finch & Clark of Spokane. They paid over $200,000 in dividends and sold the mine for $700,000.

VOTING MACHINE.

Mr. Farwell Asks the Legislature to Examine His Invention.

Mr. A. A. Farwell, of Harrison Hot Springs, has presented the following petition to the legislature describing a voting machine invented by him:

To the Hon. the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

Gentlemen,—Having invented a new device in the shape of a ballot box for the purpose of holding elections, I anxiously desire the privilege of exhibiting it to a committee of the members of your honorable body. In using this box I have substituted balls for paper ballots, each candidate having different colored balls, which are placed in receptacles in the box by the returning officer in presence of the scrutineers, before the voting begins, there being a different receptacle for each candidate.

The voting is done by an automatic arrangement, neither the voter nor any of the officers of the election having access to the ballot after the voting begins. In arranging the polling booth the box is placed on a table in the secret room, in such a manner that the back fits accurately into a window in the partion separating it from the election officers. A man wishing to vote presents himself to the poll clerk as usual. If his name appears on the list, he enters the secret room, where the box is situated, on the top of which he finds as many pockets as there may be candidates, each pocket containing one ball. These pockets are covered with glass, and also have the candidates names opposite them, so are ranged that mistake is impossible. The voting is done by pressing a pin in front of the pocket, the ball dropping into the ballot box proper ringing a bell at the same time and registering the vote on a concealed dial.

The box is so constructed that it is possible for the voter to press but one pin at a time, and only as many as there are candidates to be elected. When a pin is once pressed, it locks so that it cannot be used again by the same voter. When the voter leaves the secret room the box is made ready for the next voter by the returning officer from his seat outside the secret room and in full view of the other officers, by pressing a button on the back of the box.

I claim for this box economy, simplicity, efficiency, and I believe its general use would be in the interest of the public. The results of the election are known immediately after the poll closes by opening a slide, which exposes the registers. As there can be no spoiled or rejected ballots, there is no occasion for any expensive recount at any time, nor cause for scrutiny, nor possibility of the minority candidate or candidates being elected on account of rejected ballots. The box is thoroughly proof against fraud of every description.

A Sensible Suggestion.

The Kootenay Mining & Protective association has made a suggestion regarding the proposed amendment of the Mineral Act that will undoubtedly find favor with a very large majority of miners and prospectors in this Province. The association recommends that a free miner shall have the privilege of doing work in excess of $100 on a mineral claim, and that such work as shall be found to be in excess of that required for the current year, shall be credited to him as assessment work for future years.

This suggestion is worthy of the consideration of the mining committee of the legislative assembly, for the reason that, if incorporated in the Mineral Act, it would stimulate development work. Under existing conditions many holders of mineral claims do barely sufficient work to retain their rights to the ground from year to year. Many are prompted to adopt this method because of their limited financial resources. They may be in a position, and at the same time anxious, to do several hundreds of dollars worth of continuous work, but because the Act at present calls for the annual performance of development work to the extent of $100, they find it expedient to string out over an indefinite and perhaps a long period the work that they would do in a single season. If they were provided with an opportunity of doing several years' assessment in one year, the Provincial treasury need not suffer. On the other hand, the claim holder would be greatly benefited and the country would be much more quickly developed. We do not see how the legislature could err by adopting this suggestion of the Kootenay Protective association.—Rossland Miner.

It Gets Another Start.

The rumor is once more afloat that the Noble Five is to be again operated. It is said the Dunsmuirs now control this splendid property, and that their intention is to work it for all it is worth. The stock, which depreciated in price at a rapid rate immediately after the mine suspended and its condition became known, has been quietly gathered up by parties interested. The loan of $150,000 authorized by the stockholders at a stormy meeting held shortly after suspension, has been negotiated, it is said, through a Canadian bank, and the debts of the company settled.

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Rational . . . . . Dress

(By Lady Cook, nee Tennessee Claflin.)

The souls of the "unco' guid" are much exercised just now because of some recent developments in women's dress. Female vanity and fondness for change of attire have at all times sorely tried their pious spirits. It would almost seem that Providence has specially provided these crosses for their behoof, else where would be the occupation of that numerous class "who've naught to do but mark and tell their neebor's faults and folly." And so from remote times, changes of fashions, especially female fashions, have been the cause of many prayers and wrestlings, denounced from pulpits, and the butts of secular scoffs and ridicule. Some years ago a handsome, accomplished and well-dressed young lady—an intimate friend of ours—casually passing the open door of a rural Bethel about a mile or two from Penzance, ventured to enter. Her fashionable appearance in such a spot caused a general sensation. The "Local Preacher" halted in the midst of his rustic eloquence and gazed for a few moments at the lovely vision. Then thrusting Satan behind him with one hand, his heart boiling with holy wrath, he extended the other, and pointing to the delicate veil which flowed over her luxuriant tresses, shouted in stentorian tones and with an air of apostolic fervor, "Take off that hell-rag!" If a mere veil could have produced such a rude outburst of dissenting zeal, what would he have said, had she entered in cycling knickerbockers? Our young friend left the chapel of this latter-day Beaneerges more rapidly than she entered it, and with the visible sympathy of the surprised congregation—for the Cornish are remarkable for their gentle and unobtrusive politeness. Nevertheless, his character as a severe and fearless denouncer of pomps and vanities was thoroughly established.

This reformer must have numerous relations in Chicago, for we understand that women are arrested there by the police if they appear in public in knickerbockers. And we have many who would welcome a similar course here. Some newspaper correspondents suggest it by saying that if they were to go about in their wives' clothes they would be locked up. This is no doubt true. But then the ladies do not wear their husbands' clothes, but their own, made specially for themselves. There is no pretence whatever to pose as males, and no one is deceived as to their sex. Therefore the whole question resolves itself into one of taste and convenience. If a woman feels that she can cycle with less danger and more ease without a skirt than with one, what moral right has any one to interfere so long as she preserves her sex distinction? How would men like to be compelled to run and ride in petticoats? Or why should women be denied the free play of their limbs, or even the admiration due to a well-turned pair? As Robert Burns wrote on "The Rights of Women":—

"For Right the third, our last, our best, our dearest,
That right to flutt'ring female hearts the nearest,
Which even the Rights of Kings in low prostration
Must humbly own—'tis dear, dear admiration!"

It is urged that it is an indecency for women to sit astride. We ask, why? Until "Good Queen Anne" introduced the side-saddle, the women of England always rode horseback, astride like the men, as the women of many countries do to the present day. Physiologically considered, perhaps, it would be fitter, if a distinction must be made, for men to use side-saddles, and women the others. It is nonsense to connect immorality with either mode, as it is simply a matter of custom, and when the novelty of seeing a woman astride has worn off, time will sanction both it and knickerbockers, as it has sanctioned so many other things.

It is somewhat amusing, however to hear women who appear at public functions in the most *decollete* manner—semi-nude, arms, shoulders, backs and breasts bare to all beholders—disparaging the modest woman who only displays, to the extent of a few inches, the shape of a pair of well-covered legs. Ladies of position have long been accustomed to accompany their male friends to cover and moor shooting, habited in knickers and leggings, and little notice has been taken, but the adoption of similar garments by the cycling community is quite another thing, and requires police interference.

Mankind have been trying all kinds of clothing, possibly to discover a rational dress, and have not found the suitable one yet. We may still say, as Chaucer in the "Parson's Tale," "Alas! May not a man see as in our dayes, the sinneful costlewe array of clothing, and namely in to moch superfluite, or elles in to disordinate scantnesse?" Among the superfluities was the "length of the foresaide gounes, trailing in the dong and in the myre, on hors and eke on foot, as well of man as of woman, that all thilke trailing is verayly wasted, consumed, threadbare, and rotten with dong, rather than it is given to the poure. . . . To speke of the horrible disordinate scantnesse of clothing. . . . Alas! some of them shewen the lasse and the shape of the horrible swollen membres, that semen like to the maladie of hernia, in the wlapping of the hosen, and eke the buttokkes of hem behinde, that faren as it were the hinder part of a she ape in the ful of the mone." The disgusting fashion of short and tight breeches "which rather exposed the wearer's nakedness than hid it," was banished from France by an edict of Charles V. The beaux of Elizabeth's reign, however, differed from those of Chaucer's and Charles' times. They stuffed their breeches with feathers, rags and other light materials, until they were swollen to a huge circumference, and at the same time the ladies wore large hooped farthingales, something like modern crinolines, so that "two lovers aside could surely never have taken one another by the hand." In a print by Vertue, Lady Hunsden, a leader of fashion, heads Elizabeth's procession to Lord Hunsdon's. Her "standing up wire ruff" rises above her head, her stays reach to her knees, and her "farthingale encloses her as in a capacious tub." Disraeli says: "The amorous Sir Walter Raleigh must have found some of the maids of honor the most impregnable fortification his gallant spirit ever assailed; a *coup de main* was impossible." Old Stowe says of this reign, in that time he was held the greatest gallant that had the deepest ruff and longest rapier."

We have seen an old French print of Adam and Eve in elaborate Eastern costumes, robed, jewelled, and turbanned, although we are told our Biblical ancestors commenced with fig-leaves and did not advance beyond "coats of skins." The graceful and Greek-like dresses of Anglo-Saxon times continued to linger long after the Conqueror. The conquest of France by the English introduced French fashions, and these and other refinements continued to come to us at intervals from Italy and Holland also. The English dress of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries was the most varied, the most bizarre, and the most ridiculous. In the reign of Charles II. the Puritans kept a watchful and bilious eye upon every change of fashion. "When courtiers wore monstrous wigs, they cut their hair short; when they adopted hats with broad plumes, they clapped on round black caps, and screwed up their pale, religious faces; and when shoe buckles were revived, they wore strings." So cantankerous is soured human nature.

We must not suppose that we have arrived at the *Ultima Thule* of dress yet. Possibly, judging from the trend of fashion, in the course of time things will veer round and each sex adopt the costume of the other, the men wearing petticoats or kilts—which would be far more becoming than the present scanty jackets and tight trousers—and the women wearing long coats or blouses, and breeches or Turkish trousers. A rational dress must be one which gives the largest freedom to the body, is healthiest, lightest, most comfortable and best adapted to climate and season. For picturesqueness, perhaps, the modern native Greek dress surpasses all others. For purposes of coquetry, it would seem that concealment is most effective. Tacitus tells us that the beautiful Poppea exposed only a part of her face, "to irritate curiosity" and to heighten by imagination the perfection of the remainder. But whatever we wear, or however we dress, that must be most rational which best suits our comfort and our circumstances, and whether knickerbockers or skirts, is of no lawful concern to any of the Peeping Toms, Paul Prys, and lip-pursed prudes who howl at any change or recreation in which they do not participate. They who make the loudest outcry are probably those whose unshapely ankles and legs will not bear inspection, but as the race improves in symmetry, and well-formed limbs become general, it is likely that very short dresses for the women, and knee breeches, as in the graceful olden times, for the men, will be the universal fashion.

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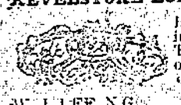

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Mrs. Whitney left for England this week accompanied by her two children.

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Eber C. Smith, of the Rossland *Record*, was in town this week going east.

D. L. Clink, of the Trout Lake City sawmill, was in town Thursday. He had been on an eastern visit.

F. S. Gwillim, formerly Mr. White's partner at Moosomin, N.W.T., has now joined that gentleman here.

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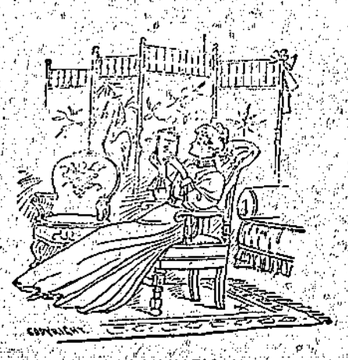

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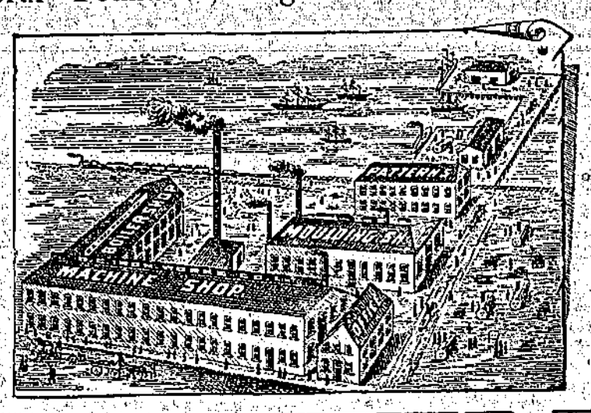

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