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STRANGE COINCIDENCE

A CORRESPONDENT SUGGESTS A RAILWAY TO THE NORTH,

Up the Big Bend, and at the same time Application is Made for a Charter for that Very Purpose—A Scheme for Opening up the North Country Outlined by Observer.

EDITOR KOOTENAY MAIL:—

Sir,—The many railway schemes, for opening up the great interior of B. C., that are now being put before the public impels me to ask consideration for one that has been overlooked: a scheme that offers a practical advantages in cheapness of construction, directness of route, and every probability of making dividends. Let me contrast this route, which I will soon explain, with the British Pacific Rly. scheme, one that will entail an enormous expenditure and have to be assisted by Dominion and Provincial Governments before it can be completed. From the boundary of the Province eastward there offers no connection except the Edmonton branch. Sandwiched between the C. P. R. main line to the south and an almost unknown country to the north, running through a rough country that for construction—where centres of population are few—and no possibility of any connection with an independent transcontinental road, the utility of constructing the B. P. at the present time is very questionable and of doubtful merit.

The great mineral zone of B. C. trends in a northwesterly direction from the boundary to the north. And railways must run parallel to the great water courses. That lie between the mineral producing ranges, to be of any practical utility in opening up the resources of the country. Crossing a mineral belt can only serve those camps immediately contiguous to the line so that the B. P. R. R. wyhom feeders north and south would not be of that benefit acquired by railway construction south to north along water courses travelling in the same direction and within the mineral zone. Such a line can be constructed from Revelstoke through the Big Bend to Tete Jaune Cache, over to the Fraser, along it, on to the Parsnip and the Peace River and be with the flow of the river and in a mineral country all the way. Why, if the north country is to be opened up, should not this be the route. At Revelstoke, which is now served by the C. P. R., (midway between the agricultural settlements and cities of the West on the one and the great grazeries and stock ranches of the North West) will be the junction of the Crows Nest road with the C. P. R., when the proposed link between Nakusp and Nelson is finished. Then there will be had direct connection with the American railway system via the Nelson Ft. Sheppard. What is then easier than to continue up the Columbia into Cariboo, Omineca and Alaska if necessary! The British Pacific from Quinox to Tete Jeune Cache is estimated to cost on an average $17,000 per mile or a total of $21,393,000. Through Revelstoke to Tete Jeune Cache, a distance of 151 miles, the cost is put at $25,000 per mile making a total of $3,800,000. At the Cache a branch could be constructed to Barkerville and other Cariboo points very cheaply, and an easterly branch could easily be extended to Edmonton over the easy summit in the Yellow Head Pass which is right in line with the Cache. These two branches run connecting the system with golden Cariboo and the rich wheat fields of the North West, the system would go on in the manner described and run out to the best harbor in B. C. at Port Simpson.

This may be a new idea but a glance will convince every thinking man that it is a more feasible one than the British Pacific, beloved only of Victorians. Such a road as I have outlined would parallel from one end of the country to the other that great cordilleran region which is so impregnated with rich mineral that almost every mile would be self sustaining. No other route that has been broached has as far as I can judge half the merit of this and I trust it may commend itself to the people of Kootenay. OBSERVER.

[Observer's attention is called to this week's Gazette where he will see that his ideas have, in part, been seized by somebody else as Hunter & Duff, solicitors for applicants, asks for a railway charter from Revelstoke up the Columbia valley to a point at or near the junction of Canoe river. ED.]

R. Howson & Co. are going to keep up with the times and have decided to go into a strictly cash business. Their ad in the after Nov. 1st will be cash sales, low prices and quick returns. *

NORTH KOOTENAY CAMPS.

BIG BEND.

The Orphan Boy claim in the Ground Hog Basin is now being worked by eight men. They will continue work all winter and put the property in good trim for the 10-stamp mill which is to be installed next April.

Rumor has it that some Carnes Creek claims are about to pass to a strong English Co. It is said the papers are all drawn and terms arranged and the deal may be consummated any day.

The Smith Creek Hydraulic Co. is reported working steadily and handling large masses of gravel. It will be a month or more before the works close down for the season.

TROUT LAKE.

The sleigh-road from the forks to the wagon-road has been surveyed. It keeps to the valley of the river but high up on the beach on its north side, and comes out on the wagon-road between the 12 and 13-mile trees. Engineer Carry and 25 men are now at work upon it.

The Silver Cup owners are also going to extend this sleigh-road up the South Fork to 7-mile creek where it will be met by the rawhide trail from the Cup. This road will be of great practical utility to the mines of the South Fork which are all served by it.

The Great Northern is getting its trail in good shape all ready for rawhiding to the wagon-road.

FERGUSON.

Work on the rawhide trail from the Silver Cup to the forks is being pushed rapidly ahead with 8 men working on it. There are also 32 men at work on the sleigh-road from the forks to the old Trout Lake wagon road.

Foreman Munroe is making a splendid showing on the Silver Cup. There is a considerable amount of ore awaiting shipment at Trout Lake.

Freight is still stacked up at Thomsons Landing, and the delay in bringing it in is causing considerable inconvenience and loss. The delay is due to insufficient facilities for handling the business. This will be remedied in the near future as several parties are going to put on teams and pack horses.

Ferguson & Cummings are doing a land office business at the forks and intend putting a wing on their hotel at once. They will put up a new front as soon as lumber can be got in. Amongst the guests this week were Messrs. J. W. Astley and F. M. Wells on a visit to the Badshot, Campbell & Johnson's claim on the south fork. Mr. Astley, who represents Montana capital, took some mineral away with him and business may ensue.

A. Craig intends putting up stables at the Forks shortly, as does Wm. Sanders, who is bringing in teams.

Cummins & Co. have completed their store building, and their prospects are No. 1.

Surveyor Henderson is busy laying out Ferguson townsite.

FROM THE MINING RECORDS.

REVELSTOKE—

Oct. 23—Toronto Chief, Snowball, D P Gillespie.

TRANSFERS.

Oct. 30—Grange Boy and Gibraltar, one-eighth, J Shaw and N T Edwards to J D Graham.

30—Snowball, Toronto Chief, ¼ interest to J P Kennedy, Ole Sandberg and John Grant.

ILLECILLEWAET—

Oct. 23—Copper Farthing, W. Scott.

23—Copper Dollar, E Scott.

TRANSFERS.

Oct. 30—F S Barnard to Lanark Co., all Hope.

Metal Quotations.

New York, Oct. 8.—

Bar silver	64½
Copper (Brokers price)	$10.34
Lead	$ 2.50.

A Victoria Ass.

The following challenge is the climax to the removal of Dr. Duncan from the position of quarantine officer at Victoria. It is issued by his brother:

To C. L. Milne, M.D.: Sir,—My reply to the remarks made by you during the attack of "temporary insanity" from which you suffered in your office a few minutes ago, is made in very few words, and is, that, if in your sane moments and upon reflection you stick to your before-mentioned remarks, you are a d — liar. Now this means pistols at twelve paces. There remains nothing for you to do but to apologize or name your second. I will await your reply forty-eight hours.—Sincerely yours, John A. Duncan.

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

WASTEFUL EXPENDITURE.

Public Money Should be Used Only in Public Development.

The Rossland *Miner* is authority for stating that Grant Govan has secured thirteen claims on the North Fork of the Illecillewaet, more properly the head of Downie Creek. It is common knowledge that John Grant has an option on nearly everything in sight there, so if Govan has secured these properties he does so through Grant.

Grant also has an option on Skogstrom's land at Albert Canyon, which is connected with these claims by a trail, entirely useless in winter, which cost the government $2,500. As a matter of fact the claims controlled by Grant are about three or four miles on this side of the divide and, naturally, are tributary to Revelstoke via the Columbia valley. There should be no more public money expended in improving the property of the individuals with a "corner" on the whole layout at the Canyon, by building wagon roads, etc. In future all public money for the development of the north fork camp should be spent in trail work up Downie Creek. If it is true that Mr. Govan's or any other rich English syndicate has secured these claims they will, in justice to themselves, have to use the Downie Creek route, and this is the one to be assisted, not for corporations, but for the prospector in opening up the country.

Money Makers of Trail Creek.

Last week the Le Roi company declared another dividend of $25,000. This brings the total dividends paid by this company up to $225,000. It is said that another dividend will be declared next Monday, payable Nov. 10, and also that, beginning with the new year, the output will be great enough to provide a dividend of $50,000 a month. The company has installed the largest plant in the province and intend doing a lot of new development. The new manager, Capt. Hall, is giving much satisfaction.

The Trail smelting company has ordered machinery which will enable it to smelt double its present amount of ore, or 600 tons daily. This 600 tons will be worth $20,000 and the freight and treatment charges will amount to $6,000. This will make the output of the smelter worth $700,000 per month and its gross earnings about $150,000. With the earnings of his railway added Mr. Heinzie will soon rank amongst the multi-millionaires.—Rossland *Miner*.

It is Constitutional.

The Hon. Justices McCreight, Walkem and Drake announced this week that they had unanimously come to the conclusion that the small debts court is constitutional. They are preparing a written judgment which will shortly be delivered. The status of the small debts court has been a matter of dispute for some time, and police magistrates all over the province have postponed its sittings from time to time until its validity was fully decided.

In the time from the inception of the Act to the present judgment several trials under its provisions have been heard and with one or two exceptions worked easily and well. These exceptions are matters of detail, such as defining of costs, and should be remedied at the next session of the House.

Local and Personal Briefs.

Ask for them and see you get them. Borthwick's cigars are the best.

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

Mr. Evans, of the firm of Evans, Coleman and Evans, was in town Monday en route to the Slocan.

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

Bedroom sets are selling fast at the low prices asked by R. Howson & Co. Buy one for cash and see price. *

Geo. J. Atkins arrived from the East Sunday, and went up the Big Bend trail with Bill Kirkup on Monday.

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

Jack Knowles, of the Sunshine and Towser claims, arrived back from Banff, Tuesday, going down to Trout Lake next day.

A. E. Kincaid left on Wednesday for his claims near Whiskey Point where he will do some work.

The English Church people are assiduously practising for their concert and dramatic entertainment. It promises to be a great success.

H. Brown, of the Union Hotel, is putting in his own waterworks from the creek near the hotel. He will put in a hydraulic ram and lift it all through the house.

SOUTHERN KOOTENAY.

Happenings of Interest Amongst its Various Camps.

TRAIL CREEK.

Over 300 tons of shipping ore is exposed on the surface of the Cliff with a body 30 feet wide. The No. 1 tunnel of the Cliff is now within 300 feet of this showing.

The ore body on the O K is now about 4 feet wide of fairly good grade.

Montgomery Smith, of Toronto, has bought the Hattie, near the Lily May, for $9,000 cash.

The tunnel on the Kootenay has run through a big porphyry dyke.

The average assay for the past week from the bottom of the shaft of the Deer Park goes $70 in gold per ton.

A new lead of free-milling ore has been discovered on the Norway.

Six feet of solid ore has been exposed on the Hattie Brown claim in the South Belt.

The new vein on the West Le Roi and Josie has been opened for 500 feet with a good showing of pay ore.

The new lead on the Northern Belle is thirty feet wide.

The Novelty tunnel has got into the ledge and the outlook is promising.

The 40 foot shaft on the Iron Colt is all in solid ore.

The 30 foot shaft on the Alberta shows a ledge over 6 feet wide.

The Good Hope has struck eighteen inches of ore.

The Homestake's new machinery is being put into place.

A drift on the Nest Egg 30 feet deep shows a full face of ore.

The final payment on the Boyce, owned by the Imperial company, has been made.

A discovery of very rich copper ore is reported from the Emir in the south belt.

Four feet of fairly good ore is to be seen at the Mascot.

SLOCAN.

The Jackson basin is the scene of great activity about a dozen properties being actively worked.

A trail is being put into the Ibex, Whitewater basin.

The Antoine is putting in new machinery.

The R. E. Lee is to be extensively worked this winter.

Briggs Bros. have made a strike on the Liberty on the South Fork of Kaslo River.

The Slocan Star is putting in a flume two miles long to supply water to their concentrator.

The Gibson is being worked by six men. Two cars of ore will soon be ready for shipment.

A good showing of carbonates and high grade concentrates has been found on the Silver Bear.

Several new locations have been made on Crawford Bay.

The Whitewater is developing into a splendid mine and may yet rival any in the Slocan.

The Two Friends is shipping ore as fast as it can.

GENERAL.

Rufus Pope, M. P., has bonded the Aspen, Mollie Gibson, Florence and Achilles silver claims, 12 miles east of Nelson, for $100,000.

A block of 100,000 shares of Monte Christo were sold last week in Toronto at 17½ cents per share.

Rossland has taken the preliminary steps towards incorporation. A committee of representative men has been appointed to draft an act.

The price paid by A. W. McCune for the Payne group was $175,000 cash.

Several deals have been made on the North Fork of Salmon River lately, and all the claims are looking well.

A good strike has been made at Ainsworth which goes 160 oz. silver and 60 per cent lead.

The Canadian Pacific Co., at Woodbury Creek, Kootenay Lake, are doing an immense amount of development.

Supt. Hussey is looking up evidence against the man Woods who shot the blacksmith.

Last week the Hall mines shipped 77 tons of matte worth $17,931.

The Hall Mines smelter's chimney was completed this week.

E. A. Powys, of Nelson, has mysteriously disappeared.

J. M. Harris is building a three storey business block at Sandon.

The new Kootenay Lake steamer, International, the biggest on the lake, made her trial spin last Thursday.

Thorne, of Kaslo, and Barnes, of Spokane, are matched to run for $500, to come off two weeks hence.

It is reported that August Heinze may at any moment resume work. saying money is ready to extend the C. & W. Rly. to the Kettle River and Boundary Creek camps.

The city council of Kaslo are entertaining the idea of putting in their own electric light plant.

The Kaslo & Slocan Railway has found it necessary to put on an extra train.

Byron N. White, of the Slocan Star, is at present in the Rat Portage district looking up free gold propositions.

The Noble Five concentrator will be ready for business in about three weeks.

A three storey hotel is building at Sandon.

Capt. Troup has returned from his European trip.

It is reported that Burton City townsite has changed hands.

The Orange Leader in Town.

The leader of the Orange order, N. Clarke Wallace, was a visitor to Revelstoke yesterday. While best known as a political leader it is probable he will soon be seen in another capacity, that of mining capitalist. From Mr. W. T. Newman, who accompanied Mr. Wallace, it was learned that a large and influential syndicate of easterners of which Mr. Wallace was president had now secured control of his Iron Mask copper claim at Kamloops. There has been about 160 feet of development done on this property mainly with the object of proving it a true fissure vein which Mr. Newman now pronounces it to be. There are several hundred tons of ore in sight and the average assay value is $40 per ton.

Mr. Wallace left yesterday afternoon for Rossland, where he will make certain purchases and will come back through the Slocan. It is his company's intention to take an active part in the development of British Columbia and make large investments in its camps.

At Kamloops, on Thursday evening, a large audience, invited by ticket, was pleasantly addressed by Mr. Wallace, and he was given the warmest of greeting by everyone present. His trip is purely a business one and has no connection with the order or politics. This does not prevent him, however, from going round and finding out local Orangemen wherever he goes and giving them the grip. Personally, Mr. Wallace is a man of large frame of medium height. His manner from his face, which denotes a most resolute will, would be expected to be brusque, but is the reverse being easy and courteous. He is altogether a man of pleasing and interesting character.

Report on the Orphan Boy.

The Officers of the Orphan Boy Gold Mining Co. invite attention to the following report by a disinterested party who examined the Orphan Boy Mineral Claim for the people he represented. The report is considered a very conservative one by the management:

J. W. Haskins, Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir,—I beg to hand you the following particulars of the Orphan Boy Mineral Claim, based on a recent personal examination of the ground made by me.

The Orphan Boy Mineral Claim situate on Barrett Creek, a tributary of McCulloch Creek, in the locality known as the Big Bend in Kootenay and recorded at Revelstoke, would appear to be one of the properties in that promising region best situated for speedy development out of about twenty important claims located in the vicinity. The size of the claim is fifteen hundred feet square. The discovery post is at a point on the creek where four veins of gold bearing quartz carrying considerable quantities of sulphurets of iron cross the creek with a northerly strike and cutting the slate formation in both strike and dips. Though not of large size these veins being 10, 16, 20 and 12 inches wide respectively at the surface, where exposed appear to be of very strong and permanent character, and should improve in size and richness below the surface.

At a distance of about 500 feet from the point above described, and in a north-easterly direction, a large outcrop of good-looking gold quartz occurs on this claim but owing to the absence of any development work, it is difficult to judge of its character and direction. It impresses me, however, as being a prospect of good promise. I would add that timber for mining purposes and water for milling purposes are conveniently situated with respect to the claim. Yours faithfully, A. P. Cummings, Surveyor. Revelstoke, B.C., Sept. 20th, 1896.

The Water Works Co. are hustling in their pipes and ditches.

Sibbald & Pease have just got in a carload of fresh vegetables. Their prices are away down.

Tom Edwards went up this morning to superintend mining operations on the Pots claim at Illecillewaet.

ON THE OTHER SIDE.

THE U.S. ELECTIONS DISCUSSED BY AN ENGLISH ECONOMIST.

Bryan May Win—Bismarck's Break Causes Uneasiness—Laurier and the School Question—Astor Attacks Rosebery—Another International Tribunal.

The secretary of the Populist National committee states that "The claims of the Republican committee are based upon ideas of fraud in the doubtful states. McKinley on a fair vote is beaten now." He continues: "We have evidence now that next Tuesday fraud will be attempted on the most stupendous scale ever known in American politics."

Senator Butler, chairman of the Populist National Convention has been in consultation with Chairman Jones of the Democratic committee all Thursday. After mature deliberation it is understood that they agree in classing Minnesota, Michigan and Indiana as a certainty for Bryan.

Mr. Morton Frewen, the well known English economist, in a letter to the London *Times*, after discussing the chances on both sides, sums up the conditions as follows: The South is likely to give Mr. Bryan 53; the West, 160; or 216 out of a necessary 224. Therefore McKinley must carry all the seven central states to be safe; whereas if Bryan wins the smallest of these states (Minnesota) the presidential prize is his. Should he, however, lose from his apparently safe column Oregon, Wyoming, W. Virginia, Maryland and Delaware, states which are less safe than others, and win Minnesota, Michigan and Indiana, he will be elected with 6 votes to spare. At such a crisis as this it is the part of wisdom for the British press to advise our investors not to be dismayed if Mr. Bryan wins.

Bismark's organ has published facts revealing a secret Russo-German treaty from 1884 to 00. It has occasioned considerable excitement in Europe.

Lord Dufferin, at a banquet in Belfast on Wednesday, declared that the salvation of the Armenians lay in reforming Turkish rule over all its subjects.

The London *Chronicle* asserts that there is good reason to believe that an international tribunal will be appointed to solve the Venezuelan question.

The famine outlook in India is increasing.

Sir Albert Sasson, the Prince of Wales friend, is dead.

While most of the English papers praised Lord Rosebery's action in resigning the Liberal leadership, Astors paper the Pall Mall Gazette bitterly attacks him. The reason is said to be the rivalry between the two for the hand of Princess Victoria of Wales.

The terms of the agreement re the school question have not yet been announced. Speaking at Quebec last Wednesday, Mr. Laurier said he hoped to announce the settlement in a week.

Sir Chas. Tupper leaves for England in a few days.

A Conservative convention was held in Toronto last Tuesday. Sir Chas. Tupper occupied the chair and strongly urged the necessity of organization. There were 420 persons present.

A Chinese Telegram.

Chinese is the only language that cannot be telegraphed. So a cipher system has been invented, by which messages can be sent. The sender of the message need not bother himself about the meaning. He may telegraph all day without the slightest idea of the information he is sending, for he transmits only numerals. It is very different with the receiver however, he has a code dictionary at his elbow, and after each message is received he must translate it, writing each literary character in the place of the numeral that stands for it. Only about an eighth of the words in the written language appears in the code, but there are enough of them for all practical purposes.

The hotels and several householders are making ready for connections with the water main.

M. McDonald, the rustling agent of the Western Milling Co., got in from the South, Sunday.

The frost Sunday night wasn't a sensation to that which McKinley will feel after the 3rd ult.

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

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On Tuesday next will be decided the most fiercely fought electoral battle which the United States has experienced since the abolition campaign. What the result will be is difficult to predict owing to the fact that old party lines are so broken, but it seems unlikely that Bryan will be able to unhorse the money power which is lighting behind the gold standard. But whatever the outcome of the contest, William Jennings Bryan will certainly come out of it with brighter laurels. He has fought a manly, open battle against a campaign of abuse, ridicule, calumny and calgarity, such as no presidential candidate has ever been called upon to face. He has shirked no responsibility in the matter of informing the electors of his views upon the questions at issue, and though one may not agree with all he says his integrity and honesty are unquestioned by the impartial observer.

In marked contrast to Mr. Bryan's vigorous campaigning has been the course adopted by Mr. McKinley. The Republican candidate has preserved an almost oyster-like silence, comparatively and the burden of the fighting against silver has devolved upon the supporters of Palmer and Buckner who find it necessary to make a brave show in order to save the Cleveland democracy from total eclipse.

The issue throughout has been a mixed one no man knowing anything of old party lines, and it is safe almost to say that unless Bryan is very severely beaten that the time has come when new names and new policies will be taken by the contending parties of the United States.

It will be interesting to note what has been the effect of Bryan's appeal to the common people. Experience teaches us that probably once in a generation, certainly not oftener, does the mass of the people, roused from its habitual lethargy, take a hand in the great fundamental factors of its national life. Such an occasion demands a great diagnostic leader and Tuesday next will demonstrate whether the presidential campaign of 1896 has produced such a one.

After a period of unnecessary delay the Small Debts Act has been proclaimed valid. And this useful law, much opposed by lawyers, will again be made use of to facilitate business in places without frequent County Court sittings.

Our esteemed contemporary the Rossland *Miner* will, next month, with characteristic enterprise, commence the publication of a daily edition which is to be produced by the most modern appliances and be replete with telegraphic and special news. The news of every camp in Kootenay and southern Yale will be furnished by special correspondents, and altogether it will be, the publishers say, the equal of any of the coast dailies. This is a sign of the times. The centre of population is shifting from the coast to Kootenay, scenic are the centres of wealth and trade. We congratulate the press takes the lead in any quality the new conditions.

His Way.

A gentleman was visiting a Scotch lunatic asylum, where new premises were being added. The inmates were assisting. On seeing one of the latter wheeling a barrow upside down from the buildings of the stones, the visitor asked him why he wheeled it in that manner.

"Oh," said the lunatic, "that's the best way."

The visitor took the barrow, and turning it upside down, said, "This is the proper way."

"That's a' you ken," said the lunatic. "I tried it that way, but they filled it up wi' bricks." So saying, he trotted on his usual way.

Sized Him Up.

It is sometimes embarrassing to presume too far on one's mobility of countenance. There is a story of an Edinburgh sheriff who lost a twopenny railway ticket, and was accordingly asked for his fare.

"I have already paid it," said he.

"Then where's your ticket?"

"I have lost it."

"Then you must pay again."

"Come now, friend," said the sheriff, "just glance at my face, and tell me if I look like a man who would tell a lie for tuppence?"

The cash-taker obediently inspected the countenance offered and then said, dryly:—

"I'll just thank you for that tuppence!"

Curious Marriage Customs.

Some of the customs peculiar to courtship and marriage among the race of dwarfs who inhabit the Andaman Island are, according to M. de Quatrefages, who recently published a book called "The Pygmies," about these people, very peculiar. Not the least remarkable of them is the juvenile form of courtship. The young man who has made his choice addresses himself to the parents, who never refuse, but send the girl into the forest where, before the day, she conceals herself. The young man must find her. If he does not succeed, he must renounce all claim to her. The wedding ceremony of these people is equally curious. M. Quatrefages thus describes it: "The two parties climb two flexible trees growing near each other, which an old man then bases to bend toward each other. When the head of the man touches that of the girl they are legally married." Turning from Asia to Europe, we find a very curious custom prevailing in Roumania. Among the peasantry of this country, when a girl attains a marriageable age her trousseau, which has in the meanwhile been carefully woven, spun and embroidered by her mother and herself, is placed in a paint d wooden box. When a young man thinks of asking to be allowed to pay his attentions to the girl he is at liberty to open the box, which is always placed in a convenient position, and examine the trousseau. If he is satisfied with the quantity and quality of the dowry he makes formal application for the girl's hand, but if not, he is quite at liberty to retire.

A Man With Two Hearts.

A man giving the name of Dr. Chas. King has been astonishing the people of Waterbury, says the N.Y. *Tribune*. He declared that he had two hearts. A doctor who would not believe the man's statement, and proceeded to make an examination, was able to detect two hearts, one on the right and one on the left side of the body. This sight he urged by a number of citizens of Waterbury. Another man was found who staggered the physician by coughing, laughing and allowing the other to feel, and by making them beat alternately. They do not know how to explain the phenomenon.

A Rich Man.

They had just arrived in Brooklyn from the island. They walked across the great bridge. As they approached the New York side they stretched their necks and viewed the massive buildings.

"Oh, he must be rich," she ventured.

"Who?"

"The man who owns all these buildings."

"The man doesn't own them all."

"Oh, yes he does," she assured him.

"How do you know?" he asked.

"He owns," she said, "his name is on them."

"I guess that's so," he agreed, as she looked up at a sky-scraper. "Mr Astor must be pretty rich."

Spontaneous Combustion.

The Iowa Dairy Mutual Fire Insurance Company has issued a circular containing the following on spontaneous combustion:—

"Sawdust in ice houses is self-ignitable, caused by spontaneous combustion in hot weather. In order to avoid a fire from above cause the sawdust should not be allowed to pile up over four or five inches on top of the ice. The sawdust should be removed and kept out of the ice-houses. When the sawdust is allowed to accumulate on top of your ice it will consume the ice if should have daily rain during the hot weather."

WHAT GROVER GETS.

Salary and Perquisites of the President of the United States.

The Presidency of the United States is, in Yankee parlance, a fat job. The salary in round numbers for the four years amounts to $200,000 and the White House and lots of perquisites are thrown in in addition. Think what $50,000 a year means. And this money is sure. The cash is always ready for the President and the Treasury bank never bursts. The salary, however, is less than two-thirds of what the President gets. For this year Congress is asked to appropriate about $65,000 to run the White House.

The President pays no rent. His fuel and light cost him nothing. He does not even pay for his own newspapers, and as for stationery, he has the finest that the world can produce, and there is a shorthand writer always at hand to save him from writing letters himself. He has a half-doz'n watch dogs to keep the crowd away from him. His private secretary receives $5,000 a year, and the man who sits outside his office door to open and close it gets $2,000. He has men to read the papers for him. He has a telegraph operator and a telegraph instrument in the White House and Uncle Sam pays his telegraph bills. He seldom if ever buys a postage stamp and the thousand and one little incidentals that eat out the heart of the ordinary man's salary, are paid for him.

He pays no rent for his stables, and Congress gives him some money to keep them up. The amount that is asked for this year is $10,000, and this includes stationery, reading matter, and the caring for the President's horses, harnesses and carriages. A great fuss is made about the social expenses of the White House. I venture to say that President Cleveland does not pay more than $5,000 a year for his state dinners and I would not be surprised to know that he saved $25,000 a year out of his salary. Think of it! His four state receptions are practically free entertainments. The Marine Band, paid by the Government, furnishes the music. The flowers come from the White House conservatory and the public gardens, and the police and the servants in taking care of the crowd. There is no food of any kind offered and it is mighty hard to get a drink of anything, even water, on such an occasion. The whole entertainment consists of a handshake and if you are especially favored, a smile, and handshakes and smiles are cheap.

And then there are lots of things that go with the White House. Among its servants there is usually a good barber, who shaves the President and cuts his hair without charge. There is a billiard-room in one corner of the Executive Mansion where Grover Cleveland can go and handle the cue without its costing him a cent. The kitchens have all the latest improvements, and the Government pays the White House steward, who attends to the marketing, about $2,000 a year. The cooking utensils are of copper, and one of the cooking stoves is so large that you could roast an ox whole upon it. The dishes used by the President are of the finest china and of the most beautiful cut glass. Many of them were made especially for the White House. Few people have any idea how many presents come to the White House. Cleveland was overloaded with them while he was a candidate, and at the time of his marriage they came in here almost by the waggon load. The President will not receive things of actual value, but he can take eatables and drinkables. Among other things that I remember his receiving was a barrel of fine old brandy from Southern California, and cases of wine from different parts of the country. Every Thanksgiving he has turkeys sent him from Rhode Island, those sent last year being so large that the White House family could not eat them. Then there are other kinds of fancy eatables which come from admirers in different localities, and it is safe to say that the best of everything, for a sample of it, finds its way into the White House. Among Harrison's presents was a large quantity of Ceylon tea. Andrew Johnson had presents of whiskey and Scuppernong wine, and both Jackson and Jefferson had presents of cheese of the size of a house-hold. New York correspondence of London *Mail*.

Why Not?

The professor is very punctilious about the use of language. His youngest daughter has learned to ride a bike, and the fact is very evident in her conversation. Now and then he moved uneasily in his chair, but he made no comment. After a time he said:—

"Lucia, would you mind closing that door? I am getting as cold as an ike."

She rose to obey, and then turned with a puzzled air and inquired:

"As cold as a what, father?"

"As cold as an ike."

"I don't understand you."

"That is very strange. It occurs to me I will put your theory of verbal expression. If a bicycle can consistently be called a bike, I see no possible objection to my alluding to an icicle as an ike."

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A Tale of the Sea.

In the morning watch, on board the barque Pawnee, bound from Colombo, Ceylon, to the Cape of Good Hope, we were washing down the decks on the 30th day of October, 1893, when a man who had been sent aloft to examine a sail which had been damaged in a squall during the previous night, shouted down to the mate that he could see a man on a raft about a mile away, and almost directly in our course. We were then midway between Ceylon and the Chagos Islands, with sea room for five hundred miles in every direction.

The announcement of the man on the raft did not produce much excitement. Natives are frequently blown off the islands on rafts and catamarans from which they have been fishing, and we believed this to be such a case. We were up with him in a few minutes, and great was our surprise to find him a white man and a sailor. The raft was a rude but stout affair, which he had made from driftwood, and it carried a cargo as well as the man. Securely lashed to the planks and timbers were four large elephant tusks and an earthern jar, together with two other jars containing food and water. The raft had no sail, but was managed to a certain extent by a rude steering oar. The castaway took things coolly, and was neither overgrateful nor greatly surprised at being picked up. He saw to it that his cargo was safely aboard before he climbed over the rail, and he answered no questions until he was alone with the captain in the cabin. Then he told a story which reached us two or three hours later.

The name of the rescued sailor was William Scott. He was second mate of a Ceylon schooner called the Happy Days which had been wrecked three months before on a coral reef surrounding an island. Of the crew of eight men Scott alone escaped. He believed this island to be one of the most eastern one of the Chagos, and yet when he came to overhaul the chart aboard our ship he could not place it among them. It was an island about a mile in circumference, rocky and barren, but having plenty of freshwater on it. There were shellfish in plenty, and he caught many fish in ponds as the tide receded, but he had no fire. Scott lived on the barren rock for fourteen long weeks, without once sighting a sail, and but for his own individual efforts the time might have been indefinitely prolonged. One day a boat of a village from some unfortunate native craft drove ashore, and he secured planks and timbers and set about building a raft.

Entering the island from the south side was a narrow inlet, being not over twenty feet wide though very deep. It was in the still waters of the bay that Scott constructed his raft, and it was only when it was finished that he made a strange discovery. He poled it along one day to the head of the bay, and as he reached the end he saw the mouth of a cave fifteen feet above him on the right. It seemed to him that men had used tools to widen the mouth and to smooth the way up to it from the water, and his curiosity was aroused. He found the mouth of the cave large enough to admit a hogshead, and there was every reason to believe that it had once been blocked up. The cave was thirty feet long by twenty feet wide and ten feet high, dry and airy, and a far better house than Robinson Crusoe had. Now comes the astonishing part of the story. According to Scott, he found two hundred and ten elephant tusks stacked up in the cave together with five jars of gold dust. On leaving the island on his raft the sailor secured four of the tusks to his raft, and also one of the jars of gold dust. Two other jars were emptied of their contents that he might use them for food and water.

Had the raft been without cargo the man's story would have been laughed at and ridiculed. He said he has found gold and ivory—a great fortune. He had the ivory and the gold to prove his assertions. It made no difference that he could not identify the island—that the chart did not place it. It was a queer story, but with the proofs at hand to back it what could we do but believe? Our captain was a Scotchman, and he took a whole day to think the matter over and assure himself that the stuff before him was actually gold and ivory. Then he made Scott a proposition. The sailor knew the worth of what he had secured—knew that he was fixed for life, and having knocked about on the raft for nine days before we sighted him he was not at all anxious aloft what he had left behind in the cave. Our captain was, however, and so was every man of the crew. The matter was talked over, and it was finally agreed that Scott should pilot us to the island, and take another jar of gold dust for his share. He would then be landed at Batavia to go where he pleased. The rest of the treasure was to be recovered for the owners of the barque, but we were all told that they would be liberal with all. It was a hard bargain the Scotchman drove with the rescued sailor, but Scott fell in with the idea and the course of the ship was changed. We were two hundred miles to the south of Chagos, having passed there any miles to the eastward as the wind was from the north we had to beat back, which took us a matter of sixteen days.

It took us four days to explore the Chagos group, and at the close of the fourth day, sailing back and forth across a sea supposed to contain no land for hundreds of miles in every direction, but the west, we sighted Scott's island. He identified it as soon as it could be seen from the deck, and we ran in and came to anchor for the night within a mile from the beach. Such was the excitement aboard that no man slept for an hour, and as soon as daylight had come and the men had a bite to eat we set off to secure the treasure.

We soon found the opening of the bay, and rowed into it. At the end of the bay we came to the cave, and, leaping out of the boat, the captain was the first to enter. A moment later he disappeared, and for the next quarter of an hour he cursed as I never heard a seaman before or since. The cave had been plundered. One broken tusk had been left behind, and there was, perhaps, an ounce of gold dust lying on the spot where Scott emptied his jars. That was proof enough that he had told a true story. When we landed and went up to the hut we soon solved the problem. Some whaler had touched there for food and water. They had filled their casks at the spring, and we could still see the marks where they had been rolled down hill to the boats.

Then the captain did a mean thing by the rescued sailor. He made a great ado about how he had deviated from his course and lost a fortnight's time, and insisted that Scott divide with him. I believe he threatened to leave him on the island if he didn't. There was trouble for a few hours, and then the sailor came to terms, but not so much as a penny's worth was ever handed over to the owners or distributed among the crew. Scott was transhipped to a craft bound for Java, and that was the last I ever saw or heard of him. A year later, however, I met an American runaway sailor in Batavia, and he told me that his craft, the Bessie Herrick, of Marblehead, put in at the island, remained for two days, and that her captain discovered the cave and the treasure while fishing in the bay. How old the island was, how the treasure came to be deposited there, who were the rightful owners if there were, those are questions I cannot answer. It was at least two years after we visited the place before it was surveyed and charted.

Forced to Drink.

The authorities at one time were so convinced that Europeans could not live in India without alcoholic stimulants that they actually prohibited the formation of temperance societies amongst the soldiers. The theory is now altogether changed, and the English sailors in India include no fewer than 20,000 total abstainers.

A Man of Glass.

You may have heard of the man who, believing he was made of glass, was afraid to stir lest he should knock up against something and break to pieces. Of course this was all mere fancy, but as a matter of fact the human body is a complicated and delicate thing and to wear long and well must be properly clothed. That R. S. Wilson can do this goes without saying. Call and see his overcoatings, and get prepared for winter. Shops at Revelstoke Station, New Denver and Brandon.

Private Bill Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate, and maintain a standard or narrow gauge railway or tramway, suitable for transporting passengers, freight or ore, from some convenient point on near Galena or Thumb Bay on the Upper Arrow Lake in the District of Kootenay to a point at or near the Forks of Kaslo River, and with power to build a branch railway from a point on the main line of said railway or tramway about 12 miles from Galena Bay to Trout Lake and to extend the said railway or tramway or build branches thereof up Lardeau River for a distance of ten miles on either branch, and also to build a branch from a point on the main line of said railway or tramway about eight miles from Galena Bay a distance of twenty miles up Fish Creek; and with power to take and use from the South Fork of the Lardeau River at or near a point situated about two miles from the junction of the South Fork of the said river so much of the water thereof as may be necessary to obtain therefrom five thousand horse-power for the purpose of generating electricity, and to construct and maintain buildings, reservoirs, dams, raceways or other works in connection therewith for improving or increasing the said water privileges, and to construct and maintain all necessary works, buildings, poles, wires or appliances and conveniences necessary or proper for the generating or electricity or power within a radius of fifty miles from said Galena or Thumb Bay, and to sell the electricity generated by the company as aforesaid power for the said railways or other purposes, or to supply to consumers for any purpose to or for which electricity or electric power may be applied or required; and with further power to build, equip, operate and maintain a telegraph and telephone line in connection with the said railways or tramways, or any of them, and to build wharves and docks in connection with the said railways or tramways together with the power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality or other persons or bodies corporate, and to make tolls and other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies; and with the further power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railways or tramways and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and actually using or passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the passage of the Act hereby applied for, and for all other such necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated this 27th day of October, A.D. 1893.

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Commencing at a post at the north-east corner of George Dawson's pre-emption, near Trout Lake, thence south 20 chains, thence west 60 chains, thence north 60 chains, thence east 60 chains, thence south 20 chains to initial post, containing 180 acres more or less.

Also commencing at a post on the Great Northern trail about one mile up from Trout Lake wagon road, thence north 20 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 20 chains to initial post, containing 240 acres more or less.

Also commencing at a post on the Lardeau trail on bank of Lardeau Creek near the 2-mile post, thence west 40 chains, thence north 70 chains, thence east 40 chains more or less to Lardeau Creek, thence following creek south 70 chains to initial post, containing 280 acres more or less. In all 800 acres. JOHN ROBINSON.

Revelstoke, B.C., Oct. 15th, 1893. 26-11

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on Trout Lake, in Trout Lake District, West Kootenay:

Commencing at a post marked N. P. S. at the north-east corner of Trout Lake City, thence at the north-west corner of Trout Lake City running north 20 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 20 chains, more or less, to lake shore, thence west along lake shore 20 chains to initial post, containing 80 acres more or less.

Also commencing at a post on the south shore of Trout Lake about one mile east of what is called Six Mile Point, thence south 14 chains, thence west 6 chains, thence north 28 chains, thence west 6 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence north-west 14 chains more or less to lake shore, thence east along lake shore to initial post, containing 40 acres more or less.

Also commencing at a post on south shore of Trout Lake at a point called Eight-Mile Point, thence running in an easterly direction along the shore of Trout Lake 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence north 20 chains more or less to initial post, containing 40 acres more or less.

Also commencing at a post marked E. A. B. adjoining the north-east corner of the land applied for by Cate Mulson, acting as agent for R. M. Horne-Payne, situate about half a mile from the east shore of Galena Bay, Upper Arrow Lake, West Kootenay District, B.C., thence east 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 40 chains to the point of commencement.

Dated 9th Sept. 1893. S. P. SNOWDEN,
Agent for
21-9 E. A. BENNETT.

To the Public.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that A. N. Smith of Revelstoke, B.C., is no longer connected with the firm of C. B. Hume & Co. doing business as general merchants at Revelstoke and Trout Lake, B.C.

The business will be carried on under the same name by C. B. Hume and Chas. F. Lindmark, who will pay all debts owing by the said firm and all persons indebted to the said firm are requested to pay same to the said C. B. Hume and Chas. F. Lindmark.

The said C. B. Hume and Chas. F. Lindmark have retired from the bakery business heretofore carried on by the said firm, which will be continued by the said A. N. Smith.

Dated at Revelstoke, B.C., this 23rd day of October, 1893. CHAS. F. LINDMARK,
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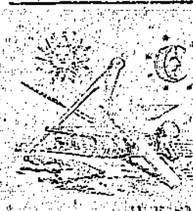
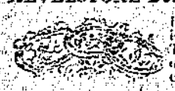


Kootenay Lodge No. 15 A.F. & A.M.

The regular meeting are held in the Masonic Temple, Boating Hall, on the third Monday in each month at 8 p. m. Visiting brethren cordially welcomed.

H. E. SMYTHE, Secretary.

REVELSTOKE LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 25.



Regular meetings are held in Oddfellows' Hall every Thursday night at 7 eight o'clock. Visiting brothers cordially welcomed.

F. MESLEY, N.G. W. H. SARGANT, SEC.

Loyal Orange Lodge No. 1653.

Regular meetings are held in the Odd Fellows' Hall, on the second and fourth Wednesday's of each month at 7:30 p. m. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

F. STEED, W. M. J. J. WOODROW, Rec. Secy.

BORN.

NICHOL.—At Greeley Creek, on Oct. 26th, the wife of Thos. Nichol of a daughter.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL BRIEFS

R. Tapping went west Tuesday.

N. Clarke Wallace went down river yesterday.

W. Cowan went to Arrowhead on Monday.

R. H. Trueman was in town Thursday evening.

Dan McGillivray came in on No. 2 Monday.

J. D. Sibbald and son went to Illecillewaet, Wednesday.

Hugh McPherson returned to Trout Lake, Monday.

The Government Agent is having a furnace put in the office.

Call on R. Howson & Co. and see what you can buy for cash.

Extension tables are still offered at low prices by R. Howson & Co.

Dan Gillespie was down from the North Fork, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. McCallum arrived in from Illecillewaet, Thursday.

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F. Kegler arrived down from the Big Bend, Tuesday evening.

H. Darling, manager of the Union S. S. Co., was in town Monday.

See Howson & Co.'s line of centre tables. Selling cheap.

Prof. W. A. Carlyle, provincial mineralogist, went west Monday.

N. P. Snowden arrived in from Illecillewaet Monday and went back next day.

J. D. Graham went in to Trout Lake to fix up the assessment list for that camp.

J. M. Carlyle went back to Galena Bay, Wednesday, to work his road crew.

J. W. Haskins, manager of the Orphan Boy Co., went up to the claim yesterday.

C. E. Shaw is making the town assessment roll for the Government Agent.

Revelstoke Quadrille Club meets every Friday at Bourne's Hall at 8:30 p.m. For further information see F. Ahlin at Central Hotel.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that thirty days after date I will apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut timber on the following described land situated on Mosquito Creek on west side of river between Upper and Lower Arrow Lake, Kootenay District:

Commencing at a post marked Alfred Belleck south-west corner about nine miles from where Mosquito Creek empties into river, running north 125 chains, east 80 chains, south 125 chains, west 80 chains to initial post, containing 1000 acres more or less. ALFRED BELECK

Nakusp, Oct. 29th, 1896. 28-4t

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Commencing at a post marked Wilfred Dubois south-west corner about [illegible] miles from where Mosquito Creek empties into the river, running east 80 chains, north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 61 chains, west 80 chains, south 70 chains, east 160 chains, south to initial post, containing 1000 acres more or less. WILFRED DUBOIS.

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NOTICE

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Commencing at a stake marked F. S. Smith north-west corner about 10 chains from head of bay and about six miles south from Arrow Head, running east 160 chains, south 60 chains, west 160 chains, north 60 chains to initial post, containing 1000 acres more or less. F. S. SMITH

Nakusp, Oct. 29th, 1896. 28-4t

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that thirty days from date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, situated near Trout Lake City, in Trout Lake District, West Kootenay:

Commencing at a post at the north-east corner of George Oleshi's preemption near Trout Lake, thence south 20 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 60 chains, thence west 60 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 60 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence east 60 chains to initial post, containing 180 acres more or less.

Also commencing at a post on the Great Northern trail about one mile up from Trout Lake wagon road, thence north 20 chains, thence west 30 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 30 chains, thence north 20 chains to initial post, containing 2[illegible] acres more or less.

Also commencing at a post on Lardeau trail on bank of Lardeau Creek near the 2 mile post, thence west 80 chains, thence north 70 chains, thence east 40 chains more or less to Lardeau Creek, thence following creek south 2[illegible] chains to initial post, containing 20 acres more or less, in all 135 acres. JOHN R. ROBINSON.

Revelstoke, B.C., Oct. 14th, 1896. 26-6t

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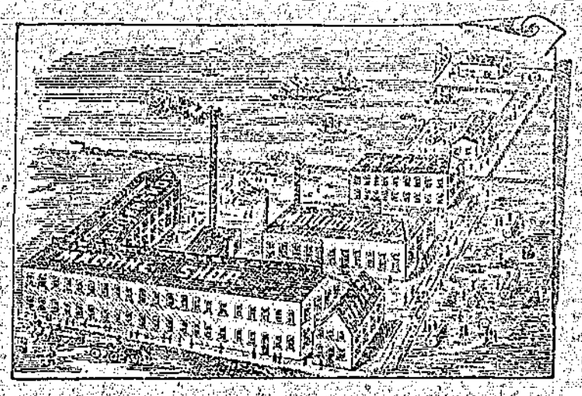

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