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The incorporation of the Silver King Mining Company will shortly be announced. The company has at last been successfully organized with a capital stock of \$2,000,000.

Of this stock Franklin Farrel and Ebenezer Ramsay control \$500,000 worth.

The recent delay has been due to the death of one of the wealthiest capitalists interested. His holding was \$400,000 worth of stock. He unfortunately met with a fatal accident while outriding, and the negotiations were delayed for about a month, while the matter was being arranged with his executors.

The original holders of the mine have been bought out on a basis of half stock and half cash, the purchase price being \$1,800,000. This will nett each to the owners of the Hall interest \$34,000 in cash, and a like amount in stock.

A letter was received from J. Macdonald last night in which he says he expects to be back in Nelson within a few weeks.

CHANGES IN MINERAL ACT

Will Not Be So Sweeping As Many Were Led to Expect From the Rumors in the Air.

The Government has no intention of revolutionizing he Mineral Act this year. The size of the claim will remain unaltered. Prospectors will be required to find mineral in place before a claim can be located.

It is probable that three stakes will be required in locating and that the prospector will be required to sink a discovery shaft, having sixty days to perfect his location before recording.

ANOTHER DOMENION RESERVE IN B. C.

By an order-in-council the Federal government has placed a reserve on certain Dominion land at Moss Creek, B. C. This is for the purpose of establishing a reservoir and other works to further the breeding of salmon in the province.

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Grave fears are entertained in naval circles in Victoria for the safety of H. M. S. Garnet which left the southern waters for Honolulu via San Francisco some time ago. She is now nearly a month overdue.

FORTIFICATIONS FOR ESQUIMALT.

The Imperial and Federal governments have come to an understanding relative to the fortifications at Esquimalt, The Imperial governis to supply the guns and build the works. The fortifications are to be manned by the Royal Marine Artillery, in conjunction with "C"

Battery of the Canadian Artillery. The duty of maintaining the works and keeping up the garrison devolves upon the Dominion government.

THE ROYAL CANADIAN BONDED.

The Old Veteran W. Springer Concludes the Deal in the Interests of Idaho Men.

W. Springer has just concluded a deal in the interests of P. Porter and J. A. Finch, of Wallace, Idaho, with Aldric Dalpe, P. Augrignon and S. Roy, the owners of the Royal Canadian. He has secure an option on that property till April 15, when a substantial payment is to be made according to the conditions of the agreement.

There is little doubt but that the bond will be taken up and the property worked in the begining of the spring.

The Royal Canadian was located on Dec. 20, 1889, and is still held by the original holders. It is situated between Forty-Nine and Eagle creeks, about seven miles south west of Nelson, and has always had the reputation of being one of most promising prospects on the gold belt.

Very rich free milling gold specimens have been taken from it, and the considerable developement work done on the claim gives every indication of a continuous ore body of fair size.

This bond is one of the many symptoms which point to a revived interest during '93 in the wonderful gold belt which exists a few miles southwest of Nelson,

Speculators who are looking for gold in West Kootenay will do well to overhall the developed prospects around Nelson before they hunt for miraculous surface showings in other parts of the country.

N. & F. S. DIRECTORS MEETING.

An advertisement appears in the Colonist by which the shareholders of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Co. are called to meet on the 24th, of March to authorise the directors to issue bonds for the construction of the road.

If this means that they are now about to begin to raise money, there is little likelihood of the road's being built this summer; but it may be only a preliminary step toward D. C. Corbin getting the control of construction, and bringing to bear resources which he organized during his visit east, this winter.

LITTLE LOCAL CHAPTERS.

In Which Everyone is Made Acquainted with the Movements of Everybody Else.

Henry Sheran has returned from a trip back East. He is looking fit.

George Tunstall is another of the early birds who are back in West Kootenay, on the outlook for the fattest worms.

D. Morice brought down news in the begining of the week that the ledge had been struck on the Hidden Treasure at a depth of about 35 feet. The showing is satisfactory, and by latest reports the ledge has not yet been crosscut. Some very rich ore has been found.

A tremendous expedition is on foot to convuer Toad Mountain tomorrow. All the owners of the Hidden Treasure, all the friends of the owners, the press, and the high priests of finance are booked. It is questionable if the expedition will be on foot tomorrow.

Messrs. Buchanan and Green are still at the capital endeavoring to secure a Government appropriation for the Kaslo wagon road. They were promised a reply this week. There is not much encouragement thrown out.

NELSON'S NEW COURT HOUSE

IS PROVIDED FOR IN THE GOVERNMENT ESTIMATES AT \$8,000.

The Appropriation for the Entire Enitre District is ° Covered by a Meagre \$30,000—There is Not Much Hope of the Figures Increasing when the Estimates are Discussed by the House.

From a reliable source the MINER has gained information respecting the Government's intentions in the matter of the appropriations for the District of West Kootenay. The figures are not official, but they are said to be correct.

WEST KOOTENAY'S APPROPRIATIONS.

The Latest Advices from the Capital Say That Gur District is to Have But \$ 30.000.

West Kootenay has been placed in the Government Estimates for \$30.000. This is the latest advice from the capital. The sum may be increased in the supplementary estimates, but little reliance can be placed on such a hope, as the District has not a sufficient "pull" with the powers that be to gain much in the general scramble for appropriations to secure such public works as are needed in every District in the Province.

The small amount of the appropriation will be a sad disappointment to the people of West Kootenay, who expected at least double the amount of the appropriation. No District in the interior contributes one-third of the revenue that West Kootenay does, and it is much to be regretted if the Government does not undo the wrong has done the District in the first draft of the estimates.

AN \$8,000 COURT HOUSE FOR NELSON.

Will Salve to Some Degree the Feelings of the People of Kootenay's Leading City.

There is one item in the estimates which will prove very welcome reading to the people of Nelson. That is the provision for the erection of an \$8000 court house in this city.

Whether this amount is covered in the \$30, 000 appropriation for the district, or whether it will come in under the head of supplementary estimates is not known.

The Government will appoint a Supreme Court Registrar for West Kootenay, and will station him in Nelson.

This will prove of great convenience to the District and will enable persons so wishing to issue writs here.

There has been nothing done yet by the Government in connection with the report of the select committee on the New Denver townsite. As far as can be learned Speaker Higgins said the report went further than it should have done. On the Government's suggestion the report was laid over.

BIRTH-On March, 11, the wife of Frank Fletcher, Land Commissioner to the C. P. R., Nelson, of a daughter

BIRTH—On March 14, the wife of G. H. Hunt, jeweller and watchmaker, Nelson, of a son. Weight, 13} pounds.

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LITTLE LOCAL CHAPTERS.

R. Yuill is down from Toad Mountain.

R. E. Lemon leaves for Victoria, tomorrow. Captain De La Haye leaves tomorrow to join the Lytton.

Captain Troup came up on the Lytton, and is in Nelson today.

G. A. Bigelow left Friday morning for Kaslo with a sled load of the same.

Captain McMorris and Rev. T. H. Rogers, returned from Kootenay lake on Monday.

C. E. Perry, of Nelson, has been elected a fellow of the Imperial Institute, which has its headquarters in London.

Several swans passed through Nelson on their way north this week. The only through passengers we've had for some time.

Rain and soft wet snow above, slush ankle deep below, are the main features of our incomparable climate this week.

D. Morice, of Toad Mountain Hotel took a run down this week. He reports the only native born inhabitant of Toad Mountain as thriving.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Association gave a social entertainment last evening. The fe tivity took place in Mrs. W. Wilson's residence, on Silica street.

Yesterday the anniversary of St. Patrick's accredited birth, was becomingly celebrated in Nelson. E. Applewhaite's punt was launched, and the launchers contrived to do honor simultaneously to Ireland's patron saint and the punt.

A. Stewart, C. P. R. engineer has returned to Nelson. Where he has been, what he has done, how he has done it, remain insoluble mysteries. Why he did it is also a mystery, the darkest of the lot.

J. H. Bowes returned to town last night. The first of our wanderers returned, and as he put it so nicely "the harbinger of spring." He has seen nearly all the West Kootenay exiles whom business or pleasure has attracted to the capital.

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MENING MEN'S GOSSIP.

Some Interesting Chapters of the Ups and Downs
Which Mark the Miner's Career.

Sam I. Silverman, of Spokane has sold a onetwelfth interest in the Slocan Boy to William Lynch for \$5,000.

A mining exchange is again talked of for Spokane. The plan suggested is an exchange with fifteen or twenty seats, and a capital stock of \$25,000 for the first banking account.

The company which lately purchased the War Eagle mine for \$420,000, are arranging for the erection of a complete smelter at Fort Sheppard, which is to handle the ores of that vicinity.

ALLAN G THURMAN, the ex-United States Senator has hit upon what he terms the solution of the silver question. He would make the standard silver dollar the basis for national bank note circulation. This, he holds, with a free coinage law, would bring silver at a parity with gold at once.

The low price of silver is the reason assigned for the closing down of the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mines in the Cœur d'Alene. Eight hundred are thrown out of employment. They are non-union men who took the striker's places after the recent labor disturbance. Many of the higher grade mines are expected to follow the example of the Bunker Hill and Sullivan.

Hoke Smith, a member of the Cleveland Cabinet, in what many consider an inspired editoral in the Atlanta Constitution outlines the silver policy of the new administration: "The president has served distinct and emphatic notice that he would hammer with his veto every free silver bill that congress might pass, and there will be the crucial test of the administration.

There is nothing in Professor Peters opinion of Butte mines which can be taken as pleasant medicine by their owners: "The richer ores found near the surface and resulting from the action of the elements on sulphide ore are nearly worked out. All Butte mine owners must be prepared to handle an ore that does not give above five per cent of copper and possibly five ounces of silver."

TO WORK DRY PLACERS.

A Butte Jeweller thinks he has hit upon a plan for Working Dry Placers.

A transfer of a seventh interest in the Tom Gawley, Katie C., Lizzie, and Azelia placer claims was recently made in Butte to Carl G. Pingle, a jeweller, and J. H. Leyson. The claims are situate about five miles southwest of Butte, and are said to be very rich in gold and sapphires, but the lack of water in that neighborhood is a serious drawback to their being profitably worked.

Pingle has been working for some time on a machine to extract the yellow metal from the ground without the aid of water. He thinks he has been successful. He will experiment this spring. If the machine accomplishes one-half of what he expects it will there will be a bonanza in it for the jeweller.

INDECTRENTS AGAINST STREETERS QUASIEDED.

The Cour d'Alene Strikers Get Off on a Technicality and May Rejoice Accordingly.

By reason of the recent opinion delivered by Justice Blatchford, for Chief Justice Fuller, at Washington, D. C., in the case of George A. Pettibone, and other striking Cœur d'Alene miners against the United States court, decided in favor of the miners.

These cases grew out of disputes at the Wardner mines. The court at that time granted injunctions restraining the miners from interfering with the men. It was alleged that the miner's violated these rules.

TROUTLAKECITY

WEST KOOTENAY, B. C.

The above Townsite will be placed on the market shortly. It is situated on the north end of Trout Lake, in the famous Lardeau country, which is going to be one of the richest mining regions in America. Numerous rich claims have been found close to this townsite, which will make it the distributing point for an immense tract of country. It is the only level land on the north end of the lake. The owners intend to expend money on streets and other improvements in the spring. The trail from Lardeau City, on Arrow Lake, to Kootenay Lake runs through this townsite. The first One Hundred Lots will be Sold for

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INCORPORATION.

Incorporation has been booming in Nelson this week. The number of people who are beginning to see of how much importance incorporation is to the town, is increasing. A good fat subscription list has been worked up, and there are many promises of doubled subscriptions if necessary.

R. E. Lemon will leave in a day or two for Victoria. When there he will arrange for having the necessary work of searching the records done. He will also give some of his own time toward putting the matter in shape.

A little public spirit, a little unanimity, a little liberality, and a great deal of energy will put the matter through, and Nelson may congratulate herself that these are forthcoming.

CREDITABLE PROCEEDINGS.

Two things have happened last week in which the people of West Kootenay must take great satisfaction, and for which credit is due to the Provincial and Dominion legislators. The one of these is the course adopted towards the burning question of the New Denver townsite, by the Provincial government, and the other, the announcement by Sir John Thompson, that the Dominion government would not oppose the granting of Dominion charter to the promoters of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway.

Regarding the first of these we consider the action of the Government very satisfactory. The question might have been settled, so far as the legality of the disputed claims was concerned, in the recesses of the land office. The Government, in the now repealed statue, regarding the purchase of land, while it apparently contracted to grant land under certain conditions, really reserved to itself the power to reserve the land or grant it away from the original locator, or in short do as it thought fit with it.

This particular dispute was however investigated by a Parliamentary committee, a tribunal eminently qualified to give an unbiassed judgment on the evidence submitted. It points to a healthy condition of public affairs that the question was ventilated in this way, and not smothered in the intricacies of a department.

As to the N. & F. S. railway's Dominion charter, when Sir John Thompson, chairman of the railway committee, refused to grant the charter last year, it was on the ground that the country's obligations to the C. P. R. required the Government to protect the company's West Kootenay preserve for one year longer.

It was of course very pleasant and just that West Kootenay should have to pay off Canada's obligations to the C. P. R. in this way. The political logic that the necessities of the West

should be made to meet the convenience of the East, is we believe not altogether confined to Canada.

The great point however is that the year has elapsed, that the N. & F. S. railway is now to have its charter. For all the advantage taken by the C. P. R. of their privilege Corbin's road might just as well have had it last year, but the road in all probability would not have been built any sooner. So all's well that ends well.

Let Corbin get in and build his road and then we shall see the C. P. R. in the unusal position of having to recover lost ground.

CURRENT COMMENTS.

D. C. CORBIN doubtless has his N, & F. S. R. R. interview off by heart. If not, it cannot be for lack of opportunities.

VANCOUVER'S imports for the past month amounted to \$45.514; the duty collected was \$17,304.10: the exports \$33,214; and the inland revenue \$58,853.62.

THE Bering sea arbitration committee meet at Paris on Thursday next. The result will determine what sort of diplomats the Alaska fur company's lackeys are.

THE people of the mainland are renewing their demands for redistribution. It is a nuthow-ever which the cabinet ministers are loath to crack as they are by no means certain what it may contain for them.

McLean the Toronto journalist and member of the Commons has a motion before the Domion house in favor of encouraging the use of the native coin metals, by substituting for our present small coinage in copper tokens, pieces made of nickle.

GROVER CLEVELAND'S cabinet seemingly does not altogether jibe with the Republican idea of what a cabinet should be. Once it was labeled a servile party heeler's cabinet, and now it is denounced as an altogether personal combine of of Grover's.

ALBERT GRIGNARD, of Ottawa has invented a process affecting the lithographic art which can produce pictures embracing 15 and 18 colors in one, and at the most, three impressions. The process has been sold to an American syndicate for \$1,000,000.

THE Provincial Legislature has resolved to petition the Federal government on behalf of B. C. Southern railway to secure if possible the customary subsidy of \$3200 per mile. The company's lines as proposed amount to something over 200 miles.

Now that the promoters of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway have received Sir John Tompson's assurance that the government will not oppose their application for a charter they can have no other excuse for delaying the work of construction.

THE Provincial courts have decided that owing to a defect in Vancouver's charter the bonus of \$300,000 voted by the people to the Northern Pacific railroad cannot be paid. It remains with the government now to say whether the wishes of the people shall be carried out or not.

Brown, the New Westminster member in the Provincial Legislature is a bit of a socalist in his way. This session he endeavored to establish manhood and residential suffrage in the municipality of Westminster, so that those who have no property interests may have the power of encumbering the property of their more wealthy neighbor. Brown's scheme was promptly sat upon by the government.

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LAST YEAR AND THIS.

Last year, the outlet was free from ice as far as Seven-Mile point on February 15, and on March 17 the Spokane steamed majestically up to the C. P. R. wharf, where the whole population of Nelson assembled to greet her solitary passenger.

A few days later, steam capstan, and the muscles of her passengers brought the Lytton up the Columbia, and the cheery whistle of the locomotive greeted the ears of our beleagured citizens.

This year, it is now March 18; there is many a solid bar of intervening ice between Nelson and the city of Balfour famous for fruit trees, where Commodore Buchanan, in command of the steamship Kaslo, is, and has been supposed to be bucking ice for the last month, but has really, like Mr. Gladstone on a recent occasion, been more agreeably occupied.

As for the Revelstoke route, that is a thing of the far future, but the superior winter advantages of Nakusp may be deduced from the fact that news was received in Nelson a few days ago that a party of men had walked from Na-

kusp to Robson on the ice.
So far as anything can be inferred from, or predicted about the climate, spring is now at hand, just one month later than last year. The outlet will probably be open in about a week.

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Captain McMorris, who came down to Nelson on Monday, having left the steamer Nelson at Pilot Bay, reported that it would take twelve days to pur her in shape, and he thought that by that time it would be possible to open the route from Nelson to Kaslo.

As for the Upper Kootenay river, in his opinion it will be well on in April before steamboat communication would be possible with Bonners

This has been a severe winter not only in West Kootenay, but all over the world. It may be years before we are cursed with such another.

It carries with it an object lesson, and that is, that neither the Arrow Lakes route nor the Bonners Ferry route can be relied upon for four months in the year without the building of hugely expensive boats, and such cannot possibly be built this summer. Therefore the country has to depend on the completion of the N. & F. S. road before snow flies, and on keeping the outlet between Balfour and Nelson open for traffic, or else we will be in as bad a fix next year as this, and in danger of a whisky famine and other minor evils.

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AT THE HEAD OF KOOTENAY LAKE, ON EAST SHORE.

Early in the spring a trail will be built from this point to the foot of the Upper Kootenay Lake, Connecting Duncan with this town.

Argenta to Duncan, by River - - - 14 Miles Argenta to Duncan, proposed trail - 7 Miles

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PRANKS OF PRACTICAL JOKERS.

An epedemic of practical joking has been sweeping over Nelson. It has reached its culminating point, and from now on will probably diminish in virulence.

It began with the mild amusement of wintertime, that of snow-balling the mild-eyed and inoffensive Washee-Billie from the Flowery Kingdom. But it did not stop there.

The absence of Manager Christie led to the decoration of his office windows with some very artistic cartoons, which afforded infinite amusement, cheered many fainting hearts and siren-like lured, them on to their doom as they passed through the adjacent bank doors to see their managers about "that little matter of accommodation."

When Christie returned the fun grew fast and furious. Both ends of the game were played, and rumors were rife of stores being entered, of overshoes carefully primed with snow being thoughtfully placed under the stove for the wearer's convenience and comfort in the morning, and of humane consideration on the part of one man's friends which prompted them to put him to sleep with a plentiful supply of chips and sawdust in his bed.

In return for so many kind attentions the apartments of the one suspected were visited in his absence. There immaculate linen, dress clothes, and furniture were exercised on the bed in close proximity to the water pitcher as a trotting mate.

And for a while there were those in Nelson who passed former friends with a stony stare.

More daring was the burglary of E. Applewaite's block, and the abduction of pretty little "One-per-Cent," a fishing punt, on which for the last two weeks the owner has, under tuition, been spending his dearest labor.

The punt was placed in another store, where the owner had it painted on the following morning. In the abduction case E. Percy Whalley, an amateur detective was called in to bring the guilt home, but after examing the footprints and taking measurements of windows and chimneys in orthodox dime novel fashion, he gave up the case, and suggested that a reward be offered for information etc., etcetera.

There is also a rumor that the owner of the premises will render an account to the owner of the punt for storage, so some very strange complications will likely arise when the jokers and the joked come to settle accounts.

MORAL.

Practical jokes can be enjoyed—when played on some body else. About jokes of the above kind there is a subtle and delicate humour somewhat difficult for the ordinary mind to appreciate.

They are not the outcome of the overfed bodies and underfed brains of a gang of school-boys, but the effulgence of intellects which if exercised in other directions would make their owners world famous, and which it is to be hoped, will be so exercised henceforth.

The Miner's May Have a Candidate.

The miners of Nanaimo have decided to take a hand in Federal politics, and not allow the Government's nominee whoever he may be to glide into D. W. Gordon's vacant chair. There is a probability of Joseph Hunter, M. P. P. becoming a candidate, and the miner's will run ex-Mayor Haslam, of Nanaimo, provided he will pledge himself to anti-Chinese legislation.

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NOTICE.

Thirty days from date I intend to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a license to sell liquor in a hotel situate on the Government land 10 miles above the town of Lardo.

A. C. PEARSON.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the MINER newspaper including the plant, stock, and goodwill of the business heretofore carried on by the firm of Bogle & Whalley. has been transferred by them to CLIVE PHILLIPS-WOLLEY of Victoria.

By the terms of the Bill of Sale all accounts due to the MINER for advertising and job printing prior to March 1, 1893, are payable to Messrs. Bogle & Whalley.

All accounts for arrears in subscriptions, and accounts for advertising and job printing (after March 1) are payable to the MINER PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMPANY.

DAVID B. BOGLE, E. PERCY WHALLEY, ROBT. A. RENWICK (Signed) Mngr MINER Co.

Notice is hereby given that one month from date we, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Lieutenant-Governor in council for the incorporation into a city municipality, under the name of the City of Nelson, of that certain locality in the Province of British Columbia described as follows: Being a subdivision of lot 95, group 1, West Kootenay District, as shown on the official plan of the Town of Nelson, comprising three hundred and seventytwo acres, more or less.

Dated at Nelson the 7th day of February, 1893. F. M. McLECD.

E. APPLEWHAITE. A. J. MARKS.

NOTICE.

SPRINGFIELD MINERAL CLAIM, SITUATED ON MILLER CREEK, SLOCAN DISTRICT.

Take Notice that we, Nathan E. Lay, free miner's certificate No. 42556; William T. Jones, free miner's certificate No. 42631; and E. Smith Miller, free miner's certificate No. 42632, intend, sixty days after date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. JOHN ELLIOT, Agent for Applicants, Nelson. Daten this 18th day of January, 1893.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

MOUNTAIN CHIEF MINERAL CTAIM, SLOCAN MININ

Take Notice that I. William H. Smith, free miner's certificate No. 40200, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim, said claim being recorded by me at the Town of Nelson, District of West Kootenay.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such cortificate of improvements.

WILLIAM H. SMITH.

Dated this 24th day of January, A. D. 1893. 134-8

NOTICE

Wonderful Mineral Claim, Situated on Miller Creek Slocan District.

Take Notice that we, Nathan E. Lay, free miner's certificate No. 42556, William T. Jones, free miner's certificate No. 42631, and E. Smith Miller, free miner's certificate No. 42632, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

JOHN ELLIOT, Agent for Applicants, Nelson.
Dated this 18th day of January, 1893.

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NOTICE.

QUEEN BESS MINERAL CLAIM.

To all whom it may concern: Take notice that I, J. H. Moran, free miner's certificate No. 42,748, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the gold commissioner for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim, and further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the gold commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

J. H. MORAN, New Denver.

Dated this 28th day of January, 1893.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa a plan and description of the site of the wharf proposed to plan and description of the site of the wharf proposed to be constructed by them upon the front or foreshore at mean high water, of lots 20, 22, 23, 24, block B, Third, Fourth, and Fifth streets, block A and I, and along Kaslo Bay 800 feet west of the west side of Fifth street, Kaslo City, District of West Kootenay, Province of British Columbia, being a distance of 2,400 feet, and that a duplicate of such plan and description has also been filed in the office of the Registrar General of Titles at Victoria, and that the same persons have applied to the Governor-in-Council for approval thereof, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 92, Sections 5 and 6, Revised Statutes of Canada.

R. J. BEALEY.

JOHN HIRSCH.

HORACE W. BUCKE.

Dated at Kaslo, this 12th day of January, 1893.

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THAT MAN FROM KASLO

Expresses His Mind on one two Subjects and has Word or two on the Government.

The steamer Nelson being now laid up for repairs we are now dependent upon the Ainsworth for ten days or so. Now that the thaw has set in, I suppose there will be an interval in which the sleigh road will be impassable, while the steamboats will not be able to break the ice.

The fire department has blossomed out with tanks, ladders hooks, etc.. It numbers nearly one hunbred members. J. M. Burke is president, O. T. Stone, vice; R. J. Bealey, secretary-treasurer; A. H. Hughes, chief; M. Flaherty, first-assistant; L. Henderson, second-assistant. An entertainment committee has been appointed so fireman balls will now be in active operation. E. E. Fletcher and J. Taylor have their hotel

at Lardo approaching completion.

Men are now on their way np to erect a substantial saw-mill which J. Suchsmith is going

A numerously signed petition for a record office at Lardo has been forwarded to the gov-

New buildings continue to go up all over the place. A hall for a variety theatre on A avenue, the post office and a large hotel on the same street, and H. Byers' building on Front street are among the features.

I see the Government is talking of altering the Land laws, and allowing spots suitable for townsites to be bought straight out. It will be safe to bet that only the members of the gang will ever get hold of them. In this locality there is a pretty strong feeling among the prospectors and working men against what they consider the boodling propensities of our revered legislators, which will probably find expression later on.

They Must All Reform Now.

THE grand jury of Columbus, Ind., issued summonses on one hundred ladies and gentlemen of that place, the society leaders, to have them indicted for gambling in playing progressive euchre in which prizes are offered.

The Wiman Brand of Patriot.

In reviewing the career of Ras Wiman, the Vancouvder World refers to Wiman's life in New York, and concludes its eulogy in these words: "He always remained true to his native country and the British flag, never having become an American citizen."

Thank God! There are few such patriots in Canada.

Less Licking Will be Necessary.

THE new Dominion postal cards, just issued, cards are much larger than the old ones. There are also three cent letter cards. These are gummed and perforated, and can be used in the place of a letter. There is also an issue of 20 and 50 cent stamps for heavy letters and packages, so there will be no necessity for making a checker board with stamps on packages before mailing them.

Triplets for the World's Fair.

The wife of W. C. Conover, of Coupeville, Wash., presented her husband with triplets, as competitors for the \$3,000 prize offered by the World's Fair commissioners. They are all girls, and at birth averaged five pounds each.

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C. E. PERRY'S MAP OF WEST KOOTENAY

Will Be Ready for the Publishers in a few Days. 'Twill Be a Thing of Beauty."

C. E. PERRY & Co.'s map of West Kootenay is now almost completed and will be in the publishers' hands within a week or two.

It occupies a sheet 40x26 inches, and is the most complete map of any district in B. C. The centre of the map is taken up by an index map of West Kootenay, from longitude 116.30 to 118. 30, and from latitude 49 to north of 51. This plan shows the geological formation, and the direction and localities of known mineral belts, railway routes actual and projected are marked, also the telephone system, and on the lakes the routes of the navigation companies. All trails and known passes have also been indicated.

The claims located in the Lardo and Duncan river country, so far as they are known have been placed on the index plan, and also the Spillimichene river and the McMurdo mineral

An error of two and a half miles was discovered between the river Columbia and Kootenay lake, and by accepting Dawson's longitude of Sproat's landing as correct it has shifted Kootenay lake three miles east of the 117th meridian. It was found that a true azimuth of Kootenay lake from Pilot Bay to the boundary, and a through traverse from Kaslo to Nakusp agreed with the alteration, and the N. &. F. S. railway traverse checked into Nelson proving Dawson's observation at Sproat's landing to be correct. The right hand top corner of the map is occupied by a chart of the Western hemisphere, partly allegorical in its design. It shows West Kootenay as a sun of gold, from which golden rays are radiating over the world, and the arms which support the Western Hemisphere are the C. P. R. and the Great Northern railways, a most ingenious advertisement of the country and of the railways. ered between the river Columbia and Kootenay

and of the railways.

The remainder of the right hand side of the map is monopalized by the Toad Mountain district, embracing from Ward's Ferry to Nelson, and as far south as Red Mountain. This is on a scale of one mile to the inch. Some idea of the minuteness of the work on the plan may be gathered from this fact, the townsite of Nelson is accurately plotted, and the churches, gaol, motor-house, reservoir, school-house, depot, lumber-yard, and sawmill are all located on it.

Trail creek occupies the top left hand corner, on a scale of two miles to the inch, Ainsworth the centre, and Siocan the bottom, all on the same scale.

So much ground had to be covered in the Slocan district that a larger scale could not be adopted. The only objection to this part of the map is that claims are shown so very small. But this could not be avoided, and the draftsmanship of the plan is so perfect that every claim is as distinct and clear as if it had the whole map to itself. Two hundred and fifty claims are shown on the plan of the Slocan.

The sources of information used in compiling the map were the C. P. R. surveys, the Ainsworth traverse made four years ago, the Dominion geological and topographical surveys, and surveys made by C. E. Perry, who has been on the ground all surveys. the ground all summer.

Viewed as a whole, the map strikes the observer as unique in three respects, first as a work of art. It is questionable if there has ever been as beautiful a map made of any part of North America at so early a stage in its development. The arrangement and coloring, the exquisite detail, and the ingenious idea of marking claims in silver, and gold according to their ing claims in silver and gold according to their nature, rivet the attention at once. For this reason also it is a most excellent advertisement of the country. Hung anywhere it will attract attention and will undoubtedly have a great effect in booming West Kootenay.

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REGISTERED THE 21TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1893.

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.

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The objects for which the Company is established are: (a) To carry on a mercantile, commercial, banking, and financial business, both as principals and as agents:
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make advances upon (either for the purpose of obtaining or when obtained) any Acts of Parliament, concessions, permissions, licences, or grants for any public or other works or undertakings, and to dispose of the same, either for eash or for shares or bonds in the said works or undertakings, or in other works, undertakings, or companies, or in Government, Municipal, County, State, or Provincial securities, and to found or establish companies or associations for carrying out the above, or for any other objects, and to assist, by procuring capital or otherwise, any company or association.

(c) To purchase or otherwise acquire any business or other undertakings or property, either in whole or in part, and to amalgamate with any other company or association.

(d) To purchase, hold, extinguish or again re-issue the shares of the Company, at the discretion of the Directors.

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(f) To carry on the business of contractors, or of agents for public and other works, or other businesses or under-

(g) To purchase, lease or otherwise acquire, any land, works, property, effects, stock-in-trade, and good will of any person, firm or company.

(h) To sell, let, demise, lease, exchange, or otherwise dispose of or deal with all or any part of the property of the

(i) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them. The amount of the capital stock of the said Company is fifty thousand pounds, divided into five hundred shares of one hundred pounds each.

The place of business of the said Company is located at Nelson, Province of British Columbia. In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this 24th day of February, 1893, at the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia.

[L. S.]

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